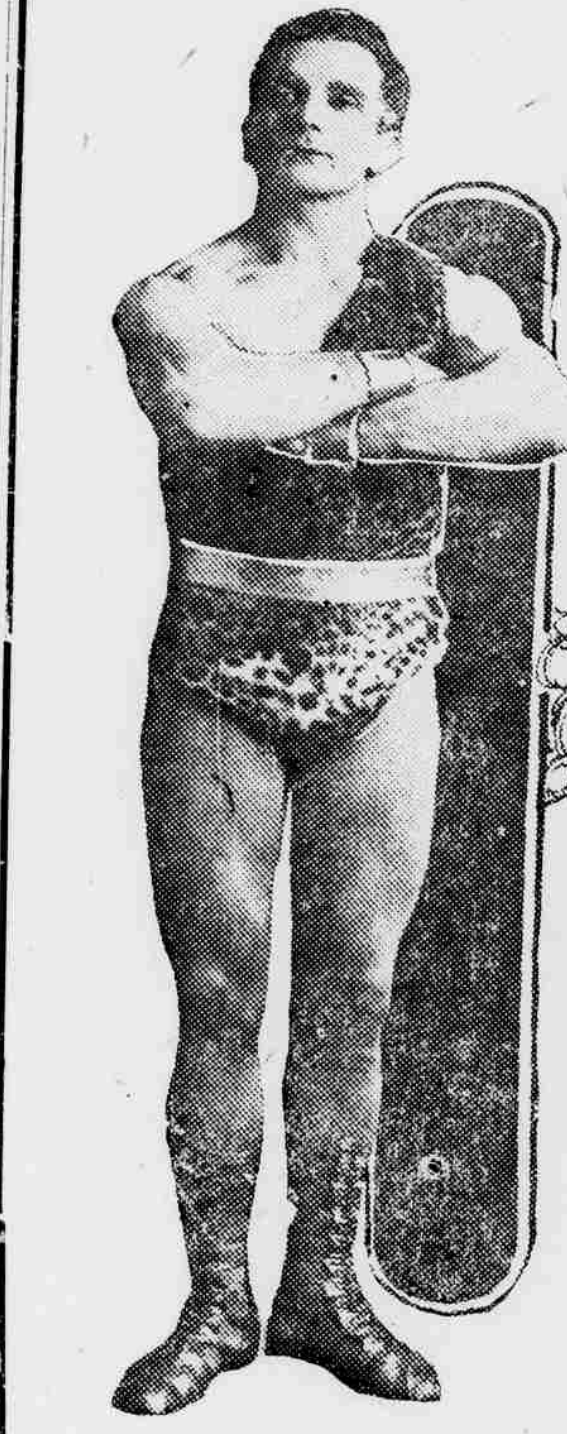


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"PEARL OF THE ARMY" the seventh episode Stars and Stripes. Also our good Universal Pictures. Admission 5 and 10 cents. Coming to the Pastime March 5th, "THE GREAT SECRET" Featuring Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Bayne. First episode will be shown free.

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#### THE ECONOMIC PRESSURE

Chattanooga News "Conditions in Germany," says the Springfield Republican, "are not ghastly as in Belgium, Poland, Serbia and Rumania, but they are plainly so bad that it can be understood why the people, if not starving, are 'peace hungry,' as one correspondent puts it."

Many have assumed because of the new German attitude as to submarines that conditions in the empire and its allies are desperate so far as food is concerned. But members of Ambassador Gerard's party who have just come out of Germany do not verify this. Many of the poorer classes are suffering but not to such

an extent as to pressage famine or give the hope for the allies that the war will be brought to an end by the starvation of their enemies.

While conditions in Belgium, Poland, Serbia and Rumania are worse than elsewhere there is no indication that as yet even in these countries there is abject want. Should Germany be in danger of starving, the reports of death and sickness would come from the occupied territory first. It is more likely that the economic pressure on the central powers will show its effect in the supply department of the army in other respects than food. The allies have the larger bank accounts. They have more factories than Germany though it is an industrial nation. All Britain's

foundries and machine shops are making ordnance, shells and ammunition. The wealth of the nation is drawn on to the uttermost farthing and the whole neutral world lends material or money.

At the battle of the Champagne Gen. French found that in a three days' engagement he shot away more shells than were used in the entire Boer war. Then the allies began really to prepare. When will they be able to propel such a mass of iron and lead at the German lines as to crumple them over a considerable distance? So far the battle has been over a distance of not over 20 miles. It must reach five or ten times that distance to be effective. The world gasps amazement at the thought of such a contest. So far Germany on the west has been able to meet shell with shell. On the east, superior generalship has won notable advantage. But the final test may come in the west, and just as in commercial life for 30 years it has been a rivalry between the factories of the two countries, now comes the final duel, where terms of warfare are translated into elements of warfare. Here must the battle be won, if won at all, for it is unlikely that the tightened belts of the people at home are going to induce them to yield.

ing squad, Adams is commanded to shoot Pearl or be shot. He takes careful aim and then—Continued in the next episode which is entitled "International Diplomacy."

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#### PEARL OF THE ARMY TODAY AT THE PASTIME

The following is a short synopsis of the 7th episode of Pathé's great preparedness serial "Pearl of the Army" to be shown at the Pastime this afternoon and tonight:

Adams, to win the confidence of the Boleroists feigns hatred of the U. S. and by this ruse is enabled to protect Pearl now in their power. Toko, daring the American lines, secures the plans for Bolero and in return asks freedom for Bertha Bonn and himself. Bolero grants Toko a passport, but keeps Bertha a "guest." The bandit plans a party, and, seeing Pearl coming makes her join it. Tipped off by Bertha that Bolero has the plans she "stoops to conquer" and while the Grenadians are enquiring, Pearl, unnoticed, takes the plans from Bolero.

Toko, by a clever trick, helps Pearl and Bertha cross the Grenadian lines. Bolero's lieutenant awakens from his drunken stupor in time to give the alarm and his men give chase. Pearl, wounded, falls and is retaken, but Bertha escapes on horseback with the plans. Col. Dare and a searching party, looking for Pearl meet Bertha. She tells the danger of Pearl and gives him the plans. In the meantime, Bolero, condemning Pearl to be shot, appoints Adams her executor. Facing a fir-

#### SOME SUGAR FIGURES

Nashville Banner. Sugar consumption in this country has increased in recent years much faster than the increase in population, according to figures prepared by the United States department of agriculture. For the ten years ending in 1913 the consumption of sugar was 42.9 per cent larger than for the preceding decade, while at the same time the increase in population was only 21 per cent.

A few years ago sugar reached its lowest point and under the stimulus of its cheapness its use largely increased. For the last two years the trend of prices has been upward, until it sells at retail for more than double the price five years ago.

Much of the rise in price is to be credited to the war, for the world's production for the year ending June 30, 1913, was nearly double that of 30 years before. The United States has been keeping up with this world increase of production. For the decade ending in 1913 this country produced a third more than during the previous decade, and non-contiguous possessions like Porto Rico and the Hawaiian island increased their output nearly 65 per cent. Imports decreased 20.9 per cent, as compared with those of the previous decade.

Cuba, the greatest of all producers has been an important factor in the world's gain, having doubled its output in the last ten years, and nearly 90 per cent of this yield was exported to the United States. This year a splendid crop of cane is in the fields. The present disturbance in the islands over the choice of a president it is feared may result in the firing of a large part of the cane, as it is reported that the stalks are readily inflammable just now.

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