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## INSIDE HISTORY OF BRITISH TANKS

By the Associated Press.

London, Dec. 13.—No one man or one department of the British government can take credit for "inventing" the tanks—they came into being as the result of a long period of study and coordinate effort by many men acting under three separate departments, the war office, the admiralty, and the ministry of munitions.

In the autumn of 1914 when the belligerents on the western front had settled down to trench warfare, it became obvious that some means of parrying the danger of well-directed and well-protected machine-gun fire from the German trenches must be discovered if the English infantry was to carry out assaults with success.

One of the first proposals put forward was for a machine 100 feet long, 46 feet high and 89 feet wide, weighing some 300 tons, propelled by an 800 horse-power engine, and with driving wheel 40 feet in diameter. Another early suggestion, and the one which led most directly to the Tanks, was made by Colonel Swinton in October, 1914, to build armored cars on a tractor system, an American invention. Experiments with various tractors were made on behalf of the war office and by a small expert committee of the admiralty under Winston Churchill, then first lord.

Through the medium of the committee of imperial defense the various efforts for the solution of the problem were coordinated, and certain conditions were laid down which had to be fulfilled by the proposed car.

From among the numerous types of tractors inspected the most satisfactory was found to be a caterpillar with an endless self-laid track, over which internal driving wheels could be propelled by the engines.

In February, 1916, the first tank was completed and taken down to a farm near London. Here pits, trenches and ramparts had been constructed. The tests were so satisfactory that an order was given on the spot for 100 machines. The ministry of munitions became responsible for the speediest possible construction of the order. Many improvements were made during this period of construction, and the first delivery was made in July, 1916.

The new machines were of two slightly different types. One was called the male type, and was armed with two Hotchkiss quickfiring and a subsidiary machine-gun armament. These were designed for dealing at close quarters with the concrete emplacements of German machine guns. The other of female type, was armed only with machine guns and was more suitable for

dealing with machine gun personnel and riflemen.

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### SURVIVOR'S STORY OF DESTROYER'S SINKING

Washington, Dec. 13.—The first survivor's story of the sinking of the American destroyer Jacob Jones told by Lieut. J. K. Richards, was made public by the navy department. It shows that only two small boats and three life rafts floated clear of the wreck. The men on these were picked up after 17 hours of exposure.

An official summary of the lieutenant's account follows: "Lieutenant Richards said the destroyer was proceeding towards port, after holding target practice, when, at 4:20 p. m., a torpedo was sighted by the lookout. The commanding officer, stationed on the bridge, ordered the rudder hard right and engines full steam ahead. The torpedo struck the ship on the starboard side, abreast of torpedo tube No. 3. This tube, with torpedoes was blown 200 feet in air. The radio was wrecked and the main mast brought down.

"The submarine, which was seen but no submarine was sighted, the vessel began to settle by the stern. The captain gave orders to abandon the ship. Whaleboats which were got out capsized. The motor sailer could not be got out. A wherry and motor dory managed to escape safely. Three life rafts floated clear.

"The vessel sank at 4:20 p. m. Depth charges aboard exploded, apparently blowing off the stern of the ship.

"No survivors, except those on the boats and life rafts, were found after a thorough search, Lieutenant Richards said. After 17 hours in the water, the men on the rafts were picked up by a British ship.

"The Jacob Jones sank, after the vessel was sighted, to be about 150 feet in length, with three-inch gun forward and two periscopes."

### MEETING WINTER'S TROUBLES

How to protect one's self from the long range of winter troubles that annually affect the majority of people living in the temperate zone is the subject of a widely fluctuating and told in the latest bulletin from the state-board of health. It says:

"Winter puts a tremendous strain on a person's vitality. To be able to keep off the epidemic diseases like gripple and pneumonia, and to avoid the long range of afflictions of the nose, throat and the lungs—from a common cold to acute pneumonia—requires more than haphazard daily living habits. While sanitation and other public health measures offer some protection against these infectious diseases, the way you live at home determines almost wholly how much you will suffer from colds and other respiratory diseases this winter.

"Personal hygiene and home conditions are the two big factors controlling winter diseases. Requiring a resistance to cold is the first essential toward protecting one's self from sickness in winter. This can be done by sleeping in cold fresh air every night and by taking a sponge bath or by dashing cold water on the chest, neck and arms and over the body in the morning. Over-eating and constipation must be strictly avoided. Over-work and great mental or physical strain lower resistance and should be well guarded against. Caution should be taken against sudden or local chilling as wet feet, and also against undue exposure to bad weather.

"The homes of the rich and well-to-do are often more unhygienic, and predisposed to colds than the tenement homes that are not storm-windowed, weather-proofed and overheated. Every home should have an accurate thermometer and it should be some one's duty to watch the thermometer and never let it rise above 70 degrees. It would be better if kept between 65 and 68 degrees. But cold air shut in is not fresh air. The windows should be opened at intervals to let out stale air as well as let in fresh. Dust is the microbe's aeroplane. Sleeping and dusting should be more than stirring up the dust at regular intervals."

### THE MAIN QUESTION

Savannah News. A lot of quarreling is going on over the question of whether Latin and Greek should have a prominent place in the schools of the future as they have now. And a much bigger quarrel is going on over the question of whether or not the whole world shall speak nothing but German.

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Another series bore names of Scotch clans, —Clan Cameron, Clan Ruthven, Clan Gordon, Clan McTavish.

The tanks first went into action in that portion of the Somme offensive which began on September 15. The object was to drive the Germans out of some high ground running east and south of Thiepval. The effect was an exhilarating one.

The British troops as it was dumbfounding the Germans. It is recorded that many of the British infantrymen were so overcome with laughter at their ungrainly antics that they were scarcely able to keep up with the procession.

There is no doubt that the element of surprise had much to do with the extraordinary success of the tanks on their first appearance. But the achievements proved that they had more solid qualities than the gifts of surprise. Later in the year Tanks were sent to Egypt and were in action at Gaza.



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### PEARL WHITE AT PASTIME FRIDAY IN FATAL RING

The following is a short synopsis of the 19th chapter of the "Fatal Ring" featuring your favorite screen star Pearl White which will be shown at the Pastime Friday, December 14. This chapter has more thrilling fights and one of the most unusual stunts ever seen in a motion picture serial. The first reel shows a running fight which has punch after punch. The second shows how the Spider traps Carslake and the priestess with their followers in a misted maze. The priestess outwits them all, however, and obtains the diamond and the setting, determining to leave immediately for Arabia, while as the picture fades out, Pearl is placed in deadly peril.

### CABINET DEMONSTRATION

Record readers will be interested in the demonstration of the Sellers kitchen cabinet at the Fulmer Furniture Store for a week beginning today. Mr. Fulmer also offers a free sack of Catawba Best flour with each cabinet, which is the housekeepers best assistant.

## Pains, Dizzy Spells

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