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MAC-ADOO PLANS FOR SOLDIERS INSURANCE

GREATEST AND CHEAPEST PROTECTION PLAN EVER CONCEIVED TO INSURE LIFE AND LIMB OF AMERICA'S SOLDIERS WHILE AT FRONT.

YEARLY RATE OF \$8.00 PER THOUSAND

(By George Martin.)
Washington, Aug. 10.—Bearing the president's approval Secretary McAdoo's plea that it be made a law the America's fighting men be given war compensation for their families and also indemnity for injury and loss, the insurance bill will soon be introduced on both houses of congress.

Representative of America's first attempt to be first in provisioning the homes of those despoiled by war is the outstanding feature of the authorization of insurance for every fighting man and nurse.

The premium is stated to be eight dollars per year per thousand dollars, up to \$10,000.

The bill provides the assignment of part of each man's pay to his family, and for a separate allowance paid by the government.

A graduated scale of payments for total and partial disability as well as for death indemnity.

Whether the man individually make application or not on the plan suggested the government will presume that he has made application on a \$5,000 policy and will pay his widow, or his estate, that amount, for the support of his dependents, provided that \$15.00 of the enlisted man's \$33 goes to the wife and the government, if there are children, gives the wife \$32.00 per month additional, making the minimum income \$47.00, with five dollars additional for each additional child.

The father may give more than \$15.00 from his pay if he so desires.

If the man's dependents are his father or mother, he gives five dollars of his pay to them and the government gives \$10.00, thus a private with a wife and three children and mother dependent, can allot \$20.00 of his \$33.00 will get \$47.00 from the government making a total of \$67.50 for his dependents.

The bill further provides that the man without dependents, or who does not allot that part of his pay, may be compelled by the government to deposit half his pay with the government at four per cent interest, and if total disability results from injury or disease the compensation runs from \$40.00 to a maximum of \$75.00 per month for higher officers.

The officers cannot receive this disability allowance if he retires on pay.

If the man dies, the funeral expenses, up to \$100 will be paid. If he leaves a wife and two children and mother, they get \$60.00 per month in addition to the \$5,000 or \$10,000 insurance he might have taken at the rate of \$8.00 per annum on the thousand of insurance.

Under the old pension system the family would have received only from \$16.00 to \$24.00 per month for all.

The soldiers insurance is non-assignable and free from all claims of creditors of insured or beneficiaries.

SIGHTSEERS BECOMING FEW

(By United Press.)
Washington, Aug. 10.—The war has hit Washington's rubberneck wagons an awful wallop. The closing of the treasury, White House, State, War and Navy and all other public buildings to visitors has shorn the sightseeing kings of about half their star program. Their garishly varnished trucks with open coach bodies atop them, which lumber up and down the streets of Washington by the dozen no longer stop while their passengers are shown the internal wonders and mysteries of America's legislative and executive halls. There's too good a chance that German spies might be among the gawkers.

Huns Starving The Provinces

(By Henry Wood.)
With the French Armies, Aug. 10.—Alsace and Lorraine are being milked dry by the Germans while they still have the opportunity to do so, according to authoritative information that has just reached France by way of Switzerland.
So clean is the final sweep now being made by the Germans both of everything eatable and usable, that the condition of the civil population, despite the fact that Alsace and Lorraine, still rank as German provinces, is little of any better than that of the inhabitants of invaded Belgium.

All metals that could be used in the manufacture of war materials was long ago taken by the Germans including the church and school bells, organ pipes, door knobs, stills and cooking utensils. Amongst the latest things requisitioned were the famous bells of the Strasbourg cathedral which were hung in 1805 to replace the historic bells destroyed during the revolution.

Food restrictions and food requisitions are now being imposed. Not only are the Germans requisitioning all live stock but the inhabitants of Alsace and Lorraine are under military orders, with military penalties attached, not to kill a single food animal.

Corner Tried In Tomatoes

(By United Press.)
Washington, Aug. 10.—Evidence pointing to conspiracy in cornering the tomato output on the Pacific coast by large packers has been unearthed and the matter placed in the hands of the federal trades commission.

RED CROSS IS FULLY EQUIPPED

(By W. J. Pegler.)
American Field Headquarters, France, Aug. 10.—The American Red Cross is ready to take care of all wounded "Sammies."

It will not be necessary to send them home for proper treatment after they are brought back from the firing line.

Every equipment of the most modern hospital is at the American base station in France, and the most expert of American surgeons are on the ground waiting the results of the first battle of the "Sammies."

Danish Ship Submarined

(By United Press.)
Washington, Aug. 10.—The Danish bark Attantis was sunk July 19 by submarine, but the crew were saved by a British destroyer, the state department advises.

More Progress In Belgium

(By United Press.)
London, Aug. 10.—Renewed advances of the British and French in Flanders has completed the capture of Westhoek, stated General Haig in his report to hand this morning.

Camp Strike Is Now Ended

(By UNITED PRESS.)
New York, Aug. 10.—The strike of carpenters of the four cantonments has been settled.

Infant Malady On Increase

(By United Press.)
Richmond, Va., Aug. 10.—In northwestern Virginia the infantile paralysis epidemic, first reported as lessening a fortnight ago, has spread to eleven counties and numbers at least seventy cases.

The state health authorities believe there are a number of other cases in the rural and mountain sections that have not been reported and may affect other counties.

There is a virtual state of terror the health representatives on the scene report.

Secretary Asks Big War Loan

(By United Press.)
Washington, Aug. 10.—Secretary McAdoo will ask for an additional bond issue during this session of congress it was learned today following a conference he attended with leaders of the house today.
The issue will run into several billions it is understood.

AIRMAN PHOTOS TEUTON SCENES

(United Press.)
Paris, Aug. 10.—Probably the most extensive collection of war aviation photographs in the world are in possession of Captain Guynemer, the noted French flying champion, who takes a photograph every time he shoots at a Boche airplane.

Attached to the French flyer's machine gun is a camera—a repeating camera. A pull of the trigger on the gun operates the picture machine.

The novel idea for procuring war pictures is believed to be Guynemer's own. But it has proved such a great success that every fighting machine in the Lafayette Escadrille will be likewise equipped. The photos will undoubtedly some day make their appearance in America.

German Attacks Have Failed

(By UNITED PRESS.)
Paris, Aug. 10.—Violent German attacks from Pantheon into Epine de Chexrigny were made today, but reports state they were repulsed, while the French is making advances into Belgium, the war office report.

OFFICERS READY AUGUST 15

(By UNITED PRESS.)
Washington, Aug. 10.—Twenty-six thousand men trained at the Plattsburg camps in the past three months will be turned out as officers about August 15th.

Fourteen thousand others will be disappointed in their ambition to win commissions.

The department announced however that more than two thousand of those that failed to make good have a chance to repeat their course during the next three months and thus win their stripes.

The whole group is ordered to active at once, though they have until August 27th to report.

Fayetteville To Cet Camp

(By UNITED PRESS.)
Goldsboro, N. C., Aug. 10.—The war department is investigating the practicability of locating a divisional camp at Fayetteville, according to information received here.

The supervising engineer of the department of the east arrived in Fayetteville this morning to survey and report the water facilities of such a camp.

POTATO SPRAYING NECESSARY

Raleigh, Aug. 9.—The Division of Horticulture is prosecuting a vigorous campaign at present in the interest of better methods of growing and keeping Irish potatoes. Because of the food situation, the importance of the second crop of Irish potatoes for this section has been emphasized for weeks. The planting season has already begun. The matter of spraying is being particularly emphasized at present.

SMUGGLING OF WAR MATERIAL TO GERMANY

SEVERAL ARRESTS MADE OF SAILORS ON BELGIAN RELIEF SHIP HIDING VALUABLE WAR MATERIAL FOR THE ENEMY'S USE.

HIGHER UPS ARE NEARLY IN TOOLS

COMMISSNERS M'TG LAST NIGHT

At the meeting of the commissioners last night an ordinance that will be of benefit to the public was passed:

It states "the traffic north and south on Main street, and on parallel streets shall have the right of way over side streets."

This means that any vehicle entering Main street from a side street shall stop and ascertain if there is danger in driving into Main street, and that cars approaching on Main street going either north or south shall have the right of way and the risks rests with vehicles entering Main street from any side street.

The commissioners approved the contract entered into by the old board between the town of Scotland Neck and the Atlantic Coast Line Railway, and in accord with the requirements of the railroad company has same spread upon the minutes of the town.

The commissioners had under consideration a complaint of Mr. W. H. White asking that the town fill a ditch at the side of his residence. Each of the commissioners had inspected the property, and after discussion it was determined to meet Mr. White and come to an agreement on the matter as soon as it was possible to get haulage and labor.

The slow progress of the McCrary Company received consideration and the clerk informed the board that the committee had wired twice insisting upon the head man of the company coming here and making arrangements for some more immediate work.

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Mr. Boleslaus Szymoniak, expert horticulturist, declares that spraying is important both from the standpoint of production and the keeping of potatoes. In some instances, according to Mr. Szymoniak, an increase of 50 per cent in production has been secured through proper spraying and potatoes from a field that has been properly sprayed keep through the winter far better than potatoes from a field which has not received this attention.

So important does the Agricultural Extension Service regard the second crop of potatoes that a special bulletin has been issued on this subject, the bulletin having been compiled by E. G. Hill, expert horticulturist. This bulletin and other information can be secured without cost by applying to the Agricultural Extension Service, Raleigh.

We are told that there is one automobile in this country to every thirty people. But what can we do with one-thirtieth of an automobile? We'll take ours in Sweden, if you please.

(By Perry Arnold.)
New York, Aug. 10.—Nine have been arrested in the first swoop by the police in that appears to be a gigantic plot to smuggle rubber and platinum to Germany.

Six of those seized are sailors of the Red Star Steamship Line's steamer Gotland, which is being used as a Belgian relief ship.

Arrests of official and higher up members of the plot are expected at any moment.

MUST LIMIT ALL PASSPORTS

(By United Press.)
Washington, Aug. 10.—America's first aid to Russia as the result of the Root mission must be in the limitation of passports to Russians of New York who would go to Russia to spread German money. The propaganda hereafter should require of every applicant for passport that he show his purposes to be pure towards the country of his birth.

It is further stated that the government has no intention of sending American troops to Russia at present.

EXCESS PROFITS TO GOVERNMENT

(By Lowell Mellett.)
London, Aug. 10.—"You cannot take profit from war without causing disaster to the normal business structure."

This is the view of the British government.

But you can commandeer the profit for the use of the state after it has been made. This is what the government is doing.

The present fiscal year will show a billion dollars commandeered.

One government financial authority told the United Press that the year ending March 31 the British government claimed and receives as its share of excess profits on business \$700,000,000, or 60 per cent, and "business shows no signs of discouragement."

MARKET REPORT.

(By Courtesy of Cobb Bros. Co., Norfolk, Va.)

	Open	High	Low	Close
Cotton	25.90	25.95	25.53	25.59
Corn	25.70	25.70	25.28	25.34
Oats	25.60	25.63	25.28	25.30
Local market	23 1/2 cents.			

Wheat	Sept. close	22.18
Corn	Sept. close	1.15 1/4
Oats	Sept. close	.58 1/2
Lard	Sept. close	22.57
Ribs	Sept. close	33.20

London, Aug. 10.—British labor has decided to be represented at the international peace conference scheduled to be held in Stockholm, Sweden, some time in September.