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MR. ROBERT MADRY WRITES A VERY INTERESTING LETTER

Giving A Description of The Battlefields In
France And Belgium

THE SCENES MOST TOUCHING

After seeing several ports in Europe and taking with many other Americans who have sojournd on the Continent for a time, long or short as the case may be, one conclusion has become forcibly lodged in my mind, namely, that Europe is ahead of America in only one way. That is, in art. It has its numerous and magnificent art treasures which have been handed down from century to century, and which are being added to all the time. Then, too, one finds a sort of artistic atmosphere almost everywhere, especially in the hotels. The clerk may not be able to give you a room with running water and private bath, but you can bet that "la chambre" will have artistically decorated walls and ceilings, too, perhaps. Even the stairways and hallways have their many and vari-colored etchings and paintings.

THOSE LEFT BEHIND
One of the most impressive sights are the numerous French, British, American and German cemeteries which dot the battlefields. These burying grounds are well cared for by the French. On many graves there are fresh flowers. The sentiment is voiced over here by many that the American fathers and mothers of those left behind in French soil would be quite comforted and satisfied to let the remains rest here if they knew how the French were caring for the graves. A wooden slab with the name and rank and dates marks the resting place of each.

WAR TORN FRANCE

Those who were in the midst of the bloody business of war can best describe the horrifying details of it all, but one has only to see the numerous towns and villages that were completely destroyed to understand the untold suffering that must have been endured. Ypres is said to be the most utterly ruined town in the war area, but it would be hard to imagine any towns that are more completely demolished than Rheims and Soissons. To see these towns, which had a population of about 200,000 each before the war, is enough to make one hate German militarism and Hun brutality with all the hate a heart can pour out. It is enough to give usmhtn to cause us to wonder why intelligent human beings should ever engage in an art so far utterly foolish war. It is enough to make your heart sink with despair as you realize the great number of years that will be required for the restoration of these towns to their former grandeur and magnificence.

REHABILITATION

In most of the ruined cities it is hard to find a house that has not been shelled. Only the brick walls and parts of the roof are left to give evidence of the comfortable homes that formerly existed. The world's famous and magnificent Cathedral at Rheims was not completely destroyed, but the wreckage wrought by Hun shells make it a pitable sight to behold, as is the Cathedral at Soissons. Before the Germans entered or shelled a French town they were supposed to warn the population to evacuate. But it is said there were many who refused to leave their homes in the vain hope that the tide of victory would turn and who therefore suffered ruthlessly. The process of rehabilitation is slow. Those who were forced to leave their homes now return to be able to tell his friends what those war shells feel like. Here

CREW OF SUBMARINE S-5 RESCUED FROM BOTTOM OF OCEAN

Located By A Buzzer Device Released By The Crew

RINGS A GONG

Philadelphia, Sept. 4.—The officers and crew of the submarine S-5 was rescued early today after spending nearly two days located in a disabled vessel beneath the Atlantic Ocean in South Cape Henlohen. They were taken aboard the steamer Alanthu which proceeded fr the Delaware breakwater with the submarine in tow with small buoy development in war with buzzer device which has released and floated above the disabled craft, ringing a gong which attracted attention to the spot.

Los Angeles, Sept. 4.—A slight earthquake in outlying parts of the city, but no damage was reported.

pair and go to other parts of France to start life anew but a few of the more sturdy and brave whose fire of love for the old homestead burns brighter than ever as they gaze upon the tattered ruins decide to make the best out of a deplorable situation, and these are the ones who are slowly but surely starting the work of rehabilitation. When one thinks of the emmensity of their task, however, and countless number of years envolved he cannot help but wonder how the process of reconstruction will ever be completed, and its not several towns that have been literally wiped off the map in this manner, practically all of those in the war area in northern France. One can ride for miles and miles and find nothing but ruined towns and battlefields. The task of restoration seems impossible, but of course it will eventually be accomplished. The French government is already aiding the farmers by having the fields cleared of shells and other war debris and then plowed.

IN GERMANY

From France I went to Switzerland, a most beautiful, quite and peaceful little country, and then after much trouble with passport officials and consuls, I got into Germany, and am now writing from Berlin. No one is supposed to come here unless strictly urgent business necessitates it, especially Americans, for technically we are still at war with Germany. I was anxious to see post-war conditions as compared to France and the contrast is quite interesting. There are a few other Americans, English and French here and the German people in general show no visible signs of animosity toward their former enemies. But personally, I'm too prejudiced to grow enthusiastic about the country or its people. However, I think that a new German spirit is fast growing among the people. Not one German in fifty with whom I have talked shows the slightest desire to see the Kaiser or his military party restored, but of this and the conditions here I shall write later.

THE LATEST TELEGRAPH DESPATCHES

GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

UNTIL FOUR O'CLOCK P. M.

Chicago, Sept. 4.—Charley P. Christensen, the farmer-labor presidential candidate today requested Harding and Cox, both publishers to grant a column a day to the national committees of each party.

London, Sept. 4.—Mayor MacSweeney shows signs of sinking rapidly. Visitors said that members of the family said the end was not far.

Enroute with Cox, Sept. 4.—Western swing of the Democratic candidate opened with a before breakfast platform address today. He said he was in the fight to win and featured the League of Nations.

London, Sept. 4.—A Moscow statement says the Bolsheviki has advanced up to the town of Brest-Litovsk and occupying a number of villages. It admits the Poles stated advance in Lemberg sector and says the Crimean fighting is proceeding with alternating success.

Warsaw, Sept. 4.—The Poles entered Suwalki and were enthusiastically welcomed says an official statement. Budenny, the Bolshevik cavalry leader is rapidly retreating.

Nashville, Sept. 4.—Lorenzo Young, a negro was electrocuted here for the murder of policeman in Memphis.

Philadelphia, Sept. 4.—The wireless failed to say how the rescue was effected but declared that none on the submarine were injured. The first man was removed at one o'clock and Lieutenant Commander Cook left two hours later. This was the first test of the buzzer device.

London, Sept. 4.—George Gavan Duffy the so-called Irish republic amassador to France has been given 24 hours by the French government to leave France was officially announced.

New York, Sept. 4.—Former Ambassador James W. Gerard accepted the post of chairman of the Democratic National Finance Committee was announced here and he will supervise the collection of Democratic funds.

Washington, Sept. 4.—Foodstuffs imported into the U. S. for the seven months ending with July have increased more than a billion and a dollars, while exports decreased a half billion dollars he department of commerce reports.

Washington, Sept. 4.—A message to the Navy Department says the submarine S-5 was partially floated while making a crash dive and that boat can be salvaged. The crew is reported in bad shape but recovering.

Seranton, Pa. Sept. 4.—Many

STREETS RECEIVING ATTENTION SURELY IS APPRECIATED

Mr. Harper Alexander Is Lending Help To The Project

SCRAPER IS DOING FINE WORK

ROAD INSPECTOR CHASED BY AUTO

He Was Finally Caught and Run Over

HIS ANKLE BROKEN

Pottsville, Pa., At State Library Joseph Geary, Jr., a superintendent of State highway construction, had a thrilling race for his life today with an automobile. While cranking the machine, it suddenly sprang forward, and Geary, to escape being run over, had to run in front of the automobile. With desperate speed the race proceeded down a steep declivity on Greenwood Hill, this city, until Geary could no longer keep ahead, when he fell and the machine passed over his body. It was at first thought he was killed, but at the Pottsville Hospital it is said his most serious injury is a broken ankle.

FIRST OPEN COTTON SEEN AT THIS OFFICE

Dr. H. I. Clark gave us two open bolls of cotton this morning. We failed to enquire of the doctor from whose farm they were taken. Most cotton is late in this section on account of the backward spring. The cotton looks good to us. This with the September calendar reminds us that cotton picking is at hand and the money that will be put in circulation by this and other crops are soon to follow. With reports from every neighborhood around Scotland Neck that crops are unusually promising, business no doubt will reach its highest level this fall and winter. This gives all much to be thankful for. A good farmer said the other day that the cultivation of crops this year had been quite easy. That some farmers had good crops to which they had done very little. That the All Mighty God had tended it for them. collieries throughout anthracite regions are still idle today due to workers remaining away as a protest against the wage board.

New York, Sept. 4.—The Federal Sugar Refining Co. has announced a new reduction of one cent a pound making the price of fine granulated sugar 15 cents less two per cent.

Chicago, Sept. 4.—A freight train was seized by men believed to be striking switchmen found near Bensonville, Ill., with the throttle open but 21 loaded cars untouched. It was run down for lack of steam.

Berlin, Sept. 4.—A statement by

Mr. Harper Alexander, the Scotland Neck Bank's hustling and clever cashier took the initiative yesterday and set the pace in street improvement by putting a road scraper with a powerful tractor attached and put Tenth of Depot street in first class shape, smoothing off the bumps and making travel over this important thoroughfare a pleasure rather than something akin to torture, as it has been on this street and is still on most of the others. Auto smashers if not quite that exceedingly trying on them to say the least. But thanks to the powers that be, they are continuing the good work and improving Main street. We dislike to tell it, but the streets stand a poor comparison with the highways leading into the place.

No doubt the commissioners thought at the beginning of the year money for street bonds would have been available before this, and that possibly accounts for the present deplorable condition of the streets of our little burg.

It is learned that the parties who have been doing the work have been given a contract to improve all of the streets of Scotland Neck. This work should not only be thorough but rushed to a finish.

ALAS THE POOR PLUMBER DEMANDS \$9 A DAY

A 44-Hour Week and Ten Holidays a Year

ULTIMATUM BOSSES

New York, Aug. 31.—A 44-hour week, \$9 a day minimum, 10 holidays a year, and the curtailment of overtime to urgent necessity, were demands made by plumbers here today in an ultimatum to their bosses. The plumbers demand as holidays Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays, international Labor Day on May 1 and election day in addition to those usually designated.

the Lithuanian Foreign minister says bloodshed can be avoided only by the withdrawal of the Poles from Lithuanian territory. He says the Poles have attacked the Lithuanians while the boundry negotiations were pending.

Mexico City, Sept. 4.—The bandit Zamora, threatens to execute the American and British subjects kidnapped unless the ransom is paid immediately according to the dispatches from military headquarters at Guadalajara.