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Peplac Experts Will Meet Public There Tomorrow—Good Work of Tonic Grows.

Starting tomorrow Peplac, the Peerless Tonic for combating stomach, liver and kidney ills, nervous debility and the like, will be demonstrated at Bellamy's and Hardin's Drug stores.

Peplac, while but recently introduced in this city, already has won a household name for itself and there is scarcely a neighborhood in Wilmington where at least one man or woman can not be found enjoying benefits from this really wonderful new medicine.

So great has been the interest of local people in Peplac that arrangements were necessary to not only place Peplac on sale at each of the leading drug stores, but to devise a method by which the merits of Peplac be explained to the trade of each respective drug store by skilled Peplac Exports.

The Bellamy and Hardin Drug stores are centrally located and afford splendid opportunity for all Wilmington men and women interested in Peplac to visit either of these pharmacies while "down town" and learn at first hand how Peplac should be taken and the results that may be expected from its use.

Peplac is a palatable combination of roots, herbs, barks and berries expertly proportioned and many of the people who have tested it have described in detail how they have increased in weight, strength and energy; how they are able to enjoy good, sound and refreshing sleep; how they are able to again eat big, hearty meals after long suffering from indigestion and stomach trouble and also how Peplac has freed them from nervousness and sluggishness.

Today Peplac's merits will be explained at the Hanover and Payne Drug stores. Peplac also is offered for sale at the Elvington, Bunting, Green, Jarman & Futrelle, Fentress and Southside Drug stores.—Advt.

ILL-LUCK FOLLOWS THE BAVARIANS

Paris, Aug. 10.—The secret of the recent brilliant successes scored by the Allies in Flanders is out. The retreat of the Germans under the smashing blows delivered by the French and British was not due to poor fighting on the part of the Teutons, nor was it because of superior leadership on the part of the Allies. Any one of the many thousands of Germans prisoners captured during the furious fighting of the past week will tell you the answer. In their opinion the recent reverses suffered by the Germans are due solely to the proverbial ill-luck that has followed the royal house of Bavaria for generations.

It would be impossible to convince the average German that there exists a possibility of success for any army fighting under the command of Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, despite the fact that from the military viewpoint he is one of the ablest leaders of the war, as was proven when he stopped the tide of advancing British on the Somme last year. But Rupprecht is a Bavarian, heir to the throne, in fact, and Germans long ago came to look upon every member of the Bavarian royal house as a "jinx," as the Americans put it.

There is no disputing the fact that the Bavarian royal family has long been one of the unluckiest in all Europe. Every newspaper reader is able to recall the ill fate that has pursued its rulers for generations. The tragic history of the family dates back to the dreamer, King Ludwig II. From his earliest childhood Ludwig showed signs of insanity. But it was not until 1864, when he ascended the throne, that his eccentricities began to be noticed. He was nominally succeeded on the throne by his brother Otto, who proved still more mad than Ludwig. The first symptoms of King Otto's madness were visible during the Franco-German war, when he called out a squad of cavalry to charge straight at a stone wall, which he insisted was a body of the enemy's infantry.

During the lifetime of King Otto the country was ruled under the regency of his uncle, Prince Luitpold, who died in 1912 in his ninety-second year. Less than a year later the mad old King Otto was deposed and was succeeded on the throne by his cousin, the present King Ludwig, the father of Prince Rupprecht, who is commanding the German army division that has borne the brunt of the allied onslaughts in Flanders during the past two weeks.

The Bavarian curse seems to have extended to the present heir to the throne. He has been unfortunate in his military career and extremely unhappy in his family life. His wife was a sister to the present Queen of the Belgians, and was celebrated throughout Germany not only for her wonderful charms as a woman, but also for her love of music and art and the help she gave her father in his scientific labors.

Rupprecht and the lovely Princess Gabrielle came together at Florence in March of 1900, the engagement was publicly announced at Easter and they were married in July. The wedded life of the royal couple, begun happily, and full of that happiness which the presence of children can give, was not so happy in other ways, and it came to a gloomy end when the Crown Princess in 1912, broken in health, depressed by family bereavement and by the death of her three-year-old son, and tired of her troubles, died suddenly at Sorrento, in Italy, of paralysis of the heart. In those twelve years, there had been five children, one of whom, in 1906, died still-born. The first child, Luitpold, born in 1901, grew up, under the mother's wonderfully maternal care, into a beautiful boy, and was taken away by diphtheria three years ago, after his father had gone to the front. The other children were Irmingard, who died a baby; Albert, born in 1905 and still living, and little Rudolph, born in 1909, whose sudden death in 1912 was the final blow to his unhappy mother.

THEATRE

Today and tomorrow the Royal makes the most pretentious offering of its season of motion pictures, presenting the far-famed Theda Bara in her latest and greatest super-production, "Her Greatest Love."

In "Her Greatest Love," the new special super de luxe William Fox photodrama founded on Ouida's novel, "Moths," Theda Bara reaches the height of her artistic career in her impersonations of a young, unsophisticated English country girl and later that of a woman whose very soul has been torn by agonizing emotions.

Miss Bara's characterization of Vere Herbert is evidence that she possesses a depth of feeling and emotion entirely foreign to one who has made vampide roles famous the world over. The photodrama was directed by J. Gordon Edwards, scenariorized by Odrian Johnson and photographed by Philip E. Rosen.

The story of "Her Greatest Love" is one of deep human appeal. It tells of the manoeurvering and the machinations and subtle intrigue of Lady Dolly (Marie Curtis), Vere's mother, who is anxious to make an advantageous mariage for her daughter. In doing so she eventually schemes away her child's happiness by marrying her to Prinze Zuroff (Walter Law).

WEEK-END AT THE GRAND.

With a notable cast, including Regina Badet, the vampire of France, Albert Signer, the most finished actor in Europe, and Fred Gerard and Burt Cummings, "Atonement" will be shown at the Grand tomorrow. This is one of the Brady-International Service—World-Pictures, the first having been "The Golden Lotus," and it is a truly notable picture with which to inaugurate this notable service. The story is replete with exciting and interesting incidents in which Regina Badet's superb beauty is seen to the best advantage. A Greek dance in which Miss Badet takes the principal part is one of the most entrancing and thrilling features of this photoplay. To see Miss Badet is to see one of the screen's most wonderful actors. Be sure to see "Atonement" and see her in her first American picture.

Mermaids to Contest for Title.

Oakland, Cal., Aug. 10.—Lovers of aquatic sports are anticipating with keen interest the open swimming meet to be held tomorrow at Neptune beach, Alameda. The meet will bring together in competition Miss Frances Cowells, the queen of the local girl swimmers, and Miss Dorothy Burns, the undisputed champion of southern California. The question of the relative supremacy of the two girls has long perplexed Pacific Coast swimmers, and tomorrow's contest, which will cover a distance of 100 yards, is expected to go far toward settling the argument.

Walter Cruise, of the Cardinals, whose batting has been one of the bright spots in the National League chase this season, comes from Florida. Cruise, Cobb and Speaker, all hailing from the South, comprise the greatest trio of hard-hitting outfielders in the big yard.

GRAND

TOMORROW

World-International Service Presents

REGINA BADET

"THE VAMPIRE OF FRANCE"

—in—

"ATONEMENT"

Beautiful, Fascinating, Regina Badet Brings to the American Screen the Lure of France, the Glamour of the Continent's famous beauties.

CLASSIC DANCES

The wonder dance scenes in this production alone make it a truly sensational offering. Miss Badet as a Greek Dancer well justifies the title "The Vampire of France."

AN EXTRAORDINARY SPECIAL ATTRACTION

SILTNCE.

Good manners on the part of the spectators in a moving picture theatre are just as essential to the success of the picture as are the direction of the production, the excellence of the camera work or the costuming and talents of the actors and actresses. This is not a preachment against actions bordering on rowdyism or outbursts inspired by the theme of the play, in the arousing of racial or religious prejudice, which may happen in war times. Such happenings are within the province of the censor to prevent or the police to quell.

Let me illustrate just what I mean. The other evening I dropped into a theatre to see a play I wished particularly to view from the standpoint of a student. I was seated in the orchestra and surrounded by folks of refinement, apparently, most of them women. Well, if refinement includes consideration for other folk's feelings I certainly misjudged my neighbors. I never heard such a chatter at a circus or a ball game.

Every title was repeated, laughed at or scolded before I could make out the lettering, while there was a constant fire of comment and criticism of the theme of the play and the work of the principals which made it absolutely impossible for me to follow, much less enjoy, the really excellent performance. I may be exaggerating, but I have not even yet recovered my even temper or forgotten my vow next time to go up, way up, in the gallery to gain the silence of a male audience.

Now, the screens have aptly been called the silent drama but photo plays claim the same intensity of interest and concentration of eye and mind as does the legitimate stage, and it is to be hoped that all who witness these great picture dramas will realize this. A whispered comment, now and then, or a laugh forced by a bit of comedy, or even applause, are pardonable, but conversation all right in a subway train is all wrong in a moving picture theatre.

I am afraid I have lost my temper in writing this but it is just the way I feel and just the way I felt long before I became identified with the screens. Next time you go to see a picture, you who are prone to tell everybody what the play is all about and how you like it, please bear in mind you are not bothering the actors and actresses a mite, but you are showing ill manners and a disregard for the rights of others and making an unmitigated nuisance of yourself. I would not like to be a nuisance.

A wire cutter to be fastened to the muzzle of a military rifle and operated by the bullets as the weapon is fired has been patented.

SHE WILL NOT COMPETE WITHOUT A CHAPERON.

Olga Dorfner, of Phiadelphia, the sprint champion of the East, will not compete in the 100-yard national championship the latter part of this month, it was announced. Miss Dorfner requested that the expenses of a chaperon be paid in the trip to the coast, but, as the A. A. U. rules forbid this, the wish had to be denied.

ROYAL TODAY AND TOMORROW

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The Incomparable in

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A Special Super De Luxe Photodrama

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A Story of a Girl's Love Sacrificed for a Mother's Ambition

A SOUL IS CRUSHED—A LOVE IS SACRIFICED—FOR THE SELFISH AMBITION OF AN UNLOVIN MOTHER

SHOWS TODAY—3:00, 4:15, 5:30, 6:45, 8:00, 9:15.

ONE MAN OF EVERY FOUR UNFIT

Result of Tests at Officers' Training Camp Shows One-Fourth of Applicants Physically Unfit

HIDDEN AILMENTS CAUSE OF REJECTION

Records of the men applying for admission to the officer's training camps of the county show that one of every four is rejected due to physical defects of which the applicant was in ignorance. The physical examination brought out many defects and ailments that the average person considers to be mere trifles. It is for fear that those trifles might develop into more serious troubles that the applicants were rejected.

Headaches, nervousness, loss of sleep, indigestion, constipation, weak, anaemic systems, poor, impoverished blood were some of the ailments which kept many from making the class. These symptoms are but indications of more serious ills to follow. They may be forerunners of acute indigestion, kidney and bladder trouble, nervous debility, general breakdown, and many other body destroying ailments.

Acid Iron Mineral makes you feel fit and keep you in that condition, by cleansing the blood of impurities such as uric acid, the cause of rheumatism, etc., It corrects stomach disorders such as indigestion, constipation, dyspepsia, loss of appetite, weight and sleep, builds up weak, anaemic and run down people, and restores weak kidneys and bladder to normal.

Acid Iron Mineral is not a "dope" or patent medicine. It is a pure, natural iron preparation combined with potassium, magnesium, calcium, and sodium, medicinal properties used by doctors and in hospitals in the effective treatment of stomach, kidney and bladder disorders. It is obtained from the only natural medicinal iron mineral deposit of its kind known to the world and is free from alcohol and will not injure or discolor the teeth. At all druggists in 50c and $1 sizes.—Adv.

SIX VESSELS SUNK DURING PAST WEEK

(By Associated Press.)

Paris, Wednesday, Aug. 10.—The weekly official report of French shipping losses, issued tonight, shows that four vessels of 1,600 tons, or more, were sunk and two vessels of less than that tonnage. Six merchantmen were attacked unsuccessfully by submarines.

During the week 948 vessels of all nationalities entered French ports and 934 left such ports.

Historian of the War.

London, Aug. 10.—Familiar to everybody as the creator of "Sherlock Holmes," Sir Arthur Conan Doyle is destined to achieve everlasting fame as the historian of the war. Since the outbreak of hostilities Sir Arthur has been busily occupied in writing ap opular history of the campaign in the western theatre of war. Although famed as a novelist, cricketer, traveler in the Arctic, patron of the ring and historian, few are aware that in addition to these many gifts Sir Arthur is a fully qualified M. D. For a number of years he was actively engaged in the practice of medicine.

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Souvenirs Saturdays

THE NATIONAL SPECIAL AID SOCIETY BULLETIN.

The spirit of the Wednesday meeting of the National Special Aid was truly inspiring. Some of the old directors had returned from their vacation and brought new zeal to their activities. As the block messengers poured in, making a constant stream of humanity, with the throng of visitors and workers, there was something dramatic about it—it was almost as though they were coming to the shrine of their country to offer their gifts. They came at the behest of all that was finest and truest in themselves and of the offerings. Everybody brought something, patriotic pennies or scraps from her own house or her neighbor's of lovely old linens, so that for once we had enough for the day's work. We have definitely decided to ship our dressings every two weeks and a budget was made up of all that was desired for the next shipment and the various tables informed of the amount. After some conference each director agreed that the amount of work desired was reasonable and they pledged themselves for the required number. We know almost definitely what to count on for next time. Wednesday the 15th of August at 7 o'clock the last article must be in if it is to go in the forthcoming consignment. The public is cordially invited to see what will be sent, as we will put it out on the tables for inspection Wednesday afternoon.

The units all sent in great quantities of finished work and the Garden City Unit took 74 pillow cases, 29 cases (ticking), 10 body binders and 12 slings. It took an entire day to cut out the articles. The Catherine Kennedy Home Unit sent in almost all of their 55 pillow cases as well as other finished work. The Greenfield Unit returned slippers for bandaged feet and Sunset reported 12 incontinent pads made and other work in progress. The Brooklyn Unit not only brought back a number of slippers, but gave a list of materials given by the generous merchants in Brooklyn. The meeting last Tuesday at the Cornelius Harnett school was well attended and results eloquent of the interest. Every block messenger in Brooklyn, with one exception, brought in the patriotic penny. This is the finest showing of any section of the entire city. Mrs. Hatch's section came next. We will publish the financial report in full in Sunday's papers. Space fails us to tell of all the pleasant inspiring things that happened. A few of the most conspicuous ones, however, must be related. For instance, a lady sent a little bit of an envelope with the message that it contained a few pennies, a part of a "thank offering." Later in the day when the treasurer opened the packet there were two two-dollar and a half gold pieces. Pennies indeed! Later in the day a lady brought in three huge, gorgeous tomatoes in a small basket labeled "War Garden Tomatoes, Home Grown, Hand Picked." They were greatly admired and sold for 25 cents, the money going into the Patriotic Penny. Some young ladies brought us beautifully made trench torches and some young ladies of high school age made 350 tampons. Miss Evelyn Harriss spent her morning making body binders and many young girls spent some time at the carding cotton table and little Miss Taylor and her friends cut up bits for Peter Cooper. He is a greedy gentleman who devours snippings and it is quite impossible to keep him satisfied. A lot of people bring him nourishment ready prepared; he merely eats and eats and says nothing, but he grows fat visibly, which is some compensation for the trouble.

Mrs. W. S. Bunting sent in two lovely rest cushions filled with silk scraps snapped up as for Peter Cooper. On the cover she had painted the French flag crossed by the American flag and the whole was artistically designed and calculated to give youngsters from Dixie Land who might rest their heads upon the pleasant pillows a snug feeling around the heart to read the inscription "National Special Aid, Wilmington, N. C., U. S. A."

Mrs. Stover and Mrs. Solky saw each block messenger, who came and gave her Hoover Conservation cards to fill out, this plan having been decided upon by the local Council of Defense. Our machinery makes it very conventient to give out as well as take in, though we prefer the latter.

Mrs. Waddell read the following letters:

"New York City,
"Aug. 6, 1917.

"National Special Aid Society,
"Wilmington, N. C.

"Ladies:—

"Referring to your shipment of dressings of July 20th. This has been received and everything is most beautifully done and very acceptable. We take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation and thanks for your interest and help.

"Very sincerely yours,
"National Surgical Dressings Committee.
"R. W."

A member of our society is planning a trip to New York and will be our accredited representative to the National Surgical Dressings Committee, bearing greetings from us and bringing back instructions for our continued work for this marvellous organization, which has shipped more than 16,000,000 dressngs to Europe since the war began.

The second letter:

"Headquarters Troop C, 1st Squadron North Carolina Cavalry.
"Wilmington, N. C.,
"Aug. 6, 1917.

"Mrs. A. M. Waddell,
"City.

"Dear Mrs. Waddell:—

"I wish to thank you, on behalf of the officers and enlisted men of Troop C, 1st Squadron, N. C. Cavalry, for the delightful entertainment of last Saturday afternoon at the armory of the 2nd Company Coast Artillery Corps. Will you kindly tell the other ladies of the National Special Aid and other organizations participating, how much the entertainment was enjoyed by the men of Troop C?

"Very truly yours,
"THOMAS J. GAUSE,
"Captain Troop C, 1st Squadron, N. C. Cavalry."

Miss Alice Brooks sent a large and most acceptable bundle of old and new materials which was not reported last week. Miss Kidder gave a beautiful hot water bag, linen and some old silk for pillows, Mrs. Bolles, Sr. sent a valuable contribution of scraps, the third in ten days, Mrs. D. H. Penton gave a large bundle of linen, Mrs. Wiley a very acceptable assortment of different old materials, Miss Louise De Rosset a large bag of silk scraps, and a huge table which was put into immediate use. If there is any one thing more needed than another it is tables. We could use six more in the upper hall and never miss the space. Next to tables—boxes. Any one wishing to make a large and magnificent gift at small cost can do so by bringing us any kind of box, wooden or pastboard, from three feet square up. Mrs. Willie Williams presented us with a marking stencil which had been made at her request by Mr. John Murchison. Mrs. Gibson gave a beautiful pillow of down. Mrs. George Hardwick a very lovely old linen sheet of unusual texture and quality, Mrs. Robert H. McKov presented some wounded soldiers in France through our organization six perfectly new feather pillows 27x18 and twelve pillow cases. This gift seems to us one of the most acceptable that could be made. We wish we could tell of all the pounds and pounds of counterpanes and tablecloths and sheets and old cloth of all kinds that were received. Mrs. Zoeller sent a very large and useful bundle together with some Victrola records, Mrs. Cibble old linen and a bag of cotton—but time and space fail.

As to finances, a most important item by the way, we had a most profitable week. Mrs. M. Shrier gave $5.00 toward the cotton bringing the amount to $97.00 without any proceeds from sold cans. To the regular Patriotic Penny Fund the following contributions together with Mrs. Shrier's are most gratefully acknowledged: Mrs. Wiley $5.00; Mrs. Kells $3.60 for a bolt of gauze, Miss Mattie Peden $5.00, a friend $1.00, Mrs. Walter Sprunt $5.00. Contributions and pennies together amounted to $70.05 which is the largest collection we have had since the first week when many people paid up for the whole year, the sum at that time being $78,000.

We have everything to be thankful our member, for the whole town is enrolled with us, give us all and everything that we ask, the spirit of harmony pervading the work rooms, the pleasant industry of the workers give us a feeling of union that makes our sorrowful task of ministering to suffering a chastened pleasure. If you need to be convinced that you may well be proud of your work, come and see what your penny is doing and you will not be disappointed.

IN MEMORY OF THE GENTLE ANGLER

New York, Aug. 10.—Devottes of the rod and reel, wherever they may gather in American waters, on the shores of the glassy lake, on the banks of the mountain trout brook, or on the ocean blue, are expected to pause in the pursuit of their favorite pastime today to pay a tribute of respect to the memory of Isaak Walton, the gentle angler.

This is the birthday anniversary of "Honest Isaak," and the United States League of Angling Clubs has requested its membership to observe the day in honor of the immortal author of "The Compleat Angler, or The Contemplative Man's Recreation."

The invitation to celebrate the day has been extended to the St. Petersburg (Fla.) Tarpon Club, the Arkansas Pass Tarpon Club of Texas, the Salmon Club of Oregon, the Sailfish Club of Florida, the Tuna Club of California, and various other fishing clubs in every section of the country.

Fight Scheduled For Tonight.

Jack Dillon vs. Bob Devere, 10 rounds, at Kansas City.

WOMEN! MOTHERS! DAUGHTERS

You who tire easily; are pale, haggard and worn; nervous or irritable; who are subject to fits of melancholy or the "blues," get your blood examined for iron deficiency. NUXATED IRON taken three times a day after meals will increase your strength and endurance 100 per cent in two weeks in many cases.—Ferdinand King.

NUXATED IRON recommended above by Dr. King can be obtained from any good druggist on an absolute guarantee of satisfaction or money refunded. One tablet usually prescribed to five grain tablets to be taken three times a day after meals.

PARIS TO BE WELL FED AND WARM THIS WINTER

(By United Press.)

Paris, July 25.—(By Mail).—France has abandoned her proposed civil mobilization. The new move is taken to mean in many quarters that the Ribot government has the war situation so well in hand that it will not be necessary to draft French citizenry between the ages of 16 and 60 for war work. War work will remain voluntary in France.

The dark economic cloud accompanied by sinister rumors of a bad winter to come following the fuel shortage of 1916-17 has also been shunted to an inconspicuous place on the horizon. Paris has the word of the Prefect of the Department of the Seine that the great metropolis will not feel the pinch of either hunger or cold and that food supplies will be plentiful. The conditions which caused Parisians to stand in line before food emporiums and coal yards will be forestalled he declares and thereby emphasizing that France is suffering no great amount of worry over the ravages of German submarines.

Another piece of good news emanates today from the ministry of Commerce to the effect that Parisians will soon be supplied with "National Footgear" and "National Cloth" for clothing. This promises to be a real boon for modest purses as shoe leather has finally aviated to prohibitive prices. The average price for resoling a paid of shoes is now ten francs—about $2—which is more than double pre-war tax. Men pay about $10 for a good pair of shoes and ladies must pay about $15 if they want the mode.

The French national shoe will cost about 25 francs or $5, wear and comfort will be guaranteed but style will not. It will be the national style. Fancy footgear will, however, continue on sale for those who want to pay the price.

The "National Cloth" will be guaranteed by the government of good quality in various shades at a nominal price. There will also probably be some check on greedy tailors who will attempt to charge too much for tailoring the national product.

The inventor of a new electric brake for automobiles claims it will stop a car moving at a speed of 50 miles an hour within 45 feet without skidding.

Both the transmitter and receiver of a telephone of French invention can be hidden in a flower vase, table ornament or any other inconspicuous object.

What Do You Know About Your Blood Supply?

Your ignorance may startle you.

Few people know of the many functions of the blood supply, and just how important it is that it be kept absolutely free from all impurities. The health of the entire body depends upon the condition of the blood. You are invited to write and obtain a booklet that gives you some invaluable information on this important subject. It tells how to keep the blood strong and free from the many impurities to which it is constantly subject.

It gives the history of S. S. S., the world's most successful blood remedy which has been sold for more than fifty years by druggists everywhere. This book will be sent free to anyone who write to Swift Specific Co., Dept. A Atlanta, Ga.

NEW GERMAN FOREIGN SECRETARY.

DR. RICHARD VON KUHLMANN, GERMANY'S NEW SECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND HIS WIFE.

Dr. Richard von Kuehlmann was installed as Foreign Secretary, succeeding Alfred Zimmermann. Dr. Kuehlmann has been Minister from Germany to Turkey.