

The American Legion

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IS LEGION LEADER IN PARIS

Famous New Orleans Ace Heads American Volunteers of French Foreign Organization.

Edgar John Boulogny of New Orleans, famous Ace of the Lafayette



Esquadron and scion of an old French family has been chosen to head an association of veterans organized at Paris and called "American Volunteers of the French Foreign Legion." When Germany announced its intention of meeting "all comers," Boulogny was one of the first Americans to volunteer his services for France and was decorated four times for bravery with the esquadron. He is a member of Alvin Candler post, American Legion.

Boulogny first served with the Second Regiment of the French Foreign Legion. When transferred to the Lafayette flyers, his intrepid maneuvering over the enemy lines, eagerness to engage any plane bearing the maltese cross, contributed many of the thrilling chapters which comprise the history of that heroic group. He was transferred to the American air forces when this country entered the fight and became an ace. He also secured numerous remarkable photographs, among them being one of enemy shells bursting over the Rheims cathedral during the first bombardment of this historic structure.

The organization of which Boulogny is president, includes American volunteers who enlisted in the early days of the war, while their country was still neutral, and is intended to include "the bonafide American citizens who served honorably at the front with the Legion, for the purpose of keeping fresh the memory of fallen comrades and furthering friendship among those surviving."

BUSY FOR THE LEGION CAUSE

Head of Washington Woman's Auxiliary Says Workers Will Not Be Found Wanting.

Mrs. John R. Neely has been chosen head of the Washington State Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion.

Born in Washington, D. C., Mrs. Neely later moved to the state of Washington where she has been active in club work of Spokane and the entire state. She is, in addition to being president of the state Legion auxiliary, head of the strong National Guard auxiliary, the mother organization and president of St. John's guild. She is the mother of five children, four sons and a daughter. One son fought with the Ninety-first division, A. E. F. Another was with the Twenty-third engineers, A. E. F. A third was an aviation instructor at Kelly Field, Texas, and Issoudun, France. The youngest fought with the embattled Second division, A. E. F.

"My work in the auxiliary will be a legacy from our beloved sons, who, sleeping in the sacred soil of France, have passed it on to the women of the American Legion," said Mrs. Neely. "It belongs to us by ties of blood. It means a pledge of service to the service men in the name of those they left behind. In the holding of that legacy, God helping, we will not be found wanting."

IS LEGION LEADER IN SOUTH

Florida National Committeeman Is One of the Most Active Workers in the State.

Dr. David Forster, of New Smyrna, Fla., who has been re-elected national committeeman of the American Legion from Florida, is one of the Legion's leaders in the South.

He has been a national committeeman since the first convention in 1910. Doctor Forster is resident surgeon of the Forster sanitarium at New Smyrna. He was born October 24, 1870, at Fayette, Mo. He received his early education there and his medical training at St. Louis, later doing postgraduate surgery in large hospitals in the United States and in Europe. He was organizer and first chief physician of the St. Louis Maternity hospital at St. Louis, Mo. He served in the medical corps during the war.

LEGION MEN VISIT FRANCE

American Party on Tour of Former Battle Sectors; at Filrely Monument Dedication.

The new "A. E. F." is in France—on a mission much unlike that of the A. E. F. of 1917-1918. The new forces are only 250 strong. They comprise members of the American Legion who are touring the former battle sectors this summer as guests of the French government.

Every state and every branch of service is represented in the peaceful new A. E. F. They sailed from New York on the George Washington. There was a noisy "bon voyage" at the docks as the former presidential ship started on its course. Flags of the United States and the American Legion flew from the mast.

Commanding or rather heading the pilgrimage was John G. Emery, the Legion's national commander. Former commanders Franklin D'Oller and Henry D. Lindsley were present.

Arriving at LeHavre, the citizen expedition was received with great eclat, after which it proceeded to Paris under tow of French officials. From Paris the party set out by special train for Blois to attend the dedication of the Joan of Arc statue presented to the French city by the Joan of Arc Committee of New York.

While at Blois, the veterans invaded the old headquarters of the army reclassification board, known better by the doughboys as the "benzene board." Here the Americans staged a burlesque of a benzine hearing during which a score of the pilgrims were "blooyed" as they used to say in the days of the fighting A. E. F.

Every city visited by the former defenders has received them with arms wide-open. That France has not forgotten is everywhere evidenced by the cordiality of the receptions. At Bordeaux, the Legionnaires received the "freedom of the city" from the high officials. From there they went to Tarbes to visit the birthplace of General Foch. They placed a memorial tablet upon the house that first sheltered the famous generalissimo.

The former fighters were impressed by the rapidity with which many of the ruined towns have been rebuilt. Some Legionnaires have gone over the exact location where they fought the battle of liberty and where many of their buddies fell in action.

Probably the most impressive ceremony participated in by the Americans was the dedication of the Filrely monument. This memorial is a tribute to the valor of the doughboys who delivered the little town of German occupation. Filrely is familiar ground to many American soldiers. It is on the ridge which was the main line of resistance of the old Toul sector.

It was at Filrely that the Eighty-ninth, from Kansas and Missouri, went into conflict. Seventeen American divisions fought in the vicinity of the little town, which itself was occupied by regimental headquarters of troops holding the line.

At the close of their tour the Legion men will go to Paris where they will have three days A. W. O. L., after which they will sail on their return voyage. The party is expected to return about September 15.

YOUNGEST AUXILIARY MEMBER

Little Ruth Buell Thompson of Lewistown, Montana, Chosen Mascot of the State Department.

Her mother was a nurse and her father a doughboy, both having served in France. She is Ruth Buell Thompson, 31 months old, and the youngest member of the Woman's Auxiliary of



Ruth Buell Thompson.

the American Legion at Lewistown, Montana.

When the state department of the American Legion of Montana held its annual convention at Lewistown, Baby Thompson was unanimously selected to be the mascot. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Thompson, of Lewistown.

On Honeymoon Hike.

Ernest J. Jackson, who served in the First division in France, and who was wounded 14 times, has started with his bride on a honeymoon hike across the continent from New York to San Francisco. The pair stopped at Indianapolis on the 29th day of their walk, and paid a visit to the national headquarters of the American Legion.

SLEEP IN CHURCH

"Forty Winks" Under Happiest of Conditions.

Idea Seems to Appeal With Considerable Force to Writer in Louisville Courier-Journal.

Cool, cavernous, well-ventilated, cushioned churches are fine places in which to snatch 40 winks of sleep. But for the disposition of mean-natured persons to speak unkindly of one who sleeps in church the invitation of a Louisville minister to sleep in his church during his sermons might jam the building Sunday mornings, making sleeping in a pew as comfortable as sleeping three in a bed.

Those who are not sensitive to unkind, un-Christian, criticism can enjoy sleeping in church and going home, as the pastor says, "refreshed and declaring the sermon and the theology fine."

Sleep in itself is the supreme realized experience of the average work-ridden, worry-bitten, dog-tired human being, declares a writer in the Louisville Courier-Journal. It provides all of the refreshment of the bath without the labor of tubbing and rubbing. Sleep is more reconstructive than a drink, and it is an antitoxin, whereas the drink may be, nowadays, cold poison procured by bribery.

The poets, many-voiced, silver-tongued, have smitten the lyre and sung the delights, the uses, the magic of sleep. The philosophers have pointed out to the weary, to the disillusioned, the "popped ways of sleep."

Sleep parries the prisoner whose days are spent in penal servitude and whose nights are spent in a cell, making him as free and as light-footed as Ariel.

Sleep suspends the life sentence of the man who is in the clutches of incurable illness and beckons him to the ruddy experience of youth and health.

The jilted lover sleeps and knows the happiness of love requited.

The bankrupt sleeps and experiences the dignity and the power that wealth showers with barbaric hand upon the merchant princes of the gorgeous west, along with pearl and gold.

The widow, gray, bent, old, childless, a victim of poverty and loneliness, sleeps and is again the bride whose slipped feet are at the gates of Elysium.

"Sleep" is found, in any book of familiar quotations, between "slander" and "slavery," from both of which it provides respite, and next to "smiles," near "solitude" and "song," and "sunshine." But it is found nowhere in happier circumstances than in church, somewhere between the announcement of the text and the pronouncement of the benediction, for sleep's caress upon the eyelids of the weary falls more softly and sweetly when it comes "like Dinna's kiss, unasked, unsought," than when it responds to such advances as getting into night-clothes and into bed.

Sleep in church is at its best when the church is made of logs and stands in a wood. The preacher is long-winded. The squirrel barks, the blue jay chides, the leaves rustle outside the windows. As the parson thunders out damnation in mid-discourse the meat of the argument goes to your wakeful neighbor while you "eat in dreams the custard." Even in town, with the jangling noises of the streets invading the edifice, there are rare sweetness and solace in the nature of a minister who invites the weary to come to the church and enjoy a nap, for which he promises, generously, to provide the lullaby.

Chilean Fruit in America.

An experimental shipment of grapes was sent to New York with a view of ascertaining whether a market could be found in the United States for the product of the Chilean vineyards. The grapes were shipped in cold storage and are reported to have arrived in excellent condition and to have been sold at highly satisfactory prices. It is reported that another shipment is planned as soon as arrangements can be made. The experiment is of particular interest, since it is possible that the exportation of fresh fruit from Chile to the United States might become very profitable, providing that shipping facilities were available. Chile produces fine fruit of almost every variety known to the temperate zone and it ripens during the winter months in the United States when the market would be at its best.

Flies Spread Plagues in Russia.

Spread of dread diseases in Russia, is due to swarms of flies and gnats. At the Pan-Russian health congress at Moscow Health Commissioner Samajko presented a sensational report. Plague, he said, was rapidly spreading in southeast Russia from Persia and Siberia, cholera was raging in the southern and middle governments, and there was hardly one part of Russia unaffected by malaria. This alarming condition of things he attributed to enormous swarms of flies and gnats, which were the disease carriers.

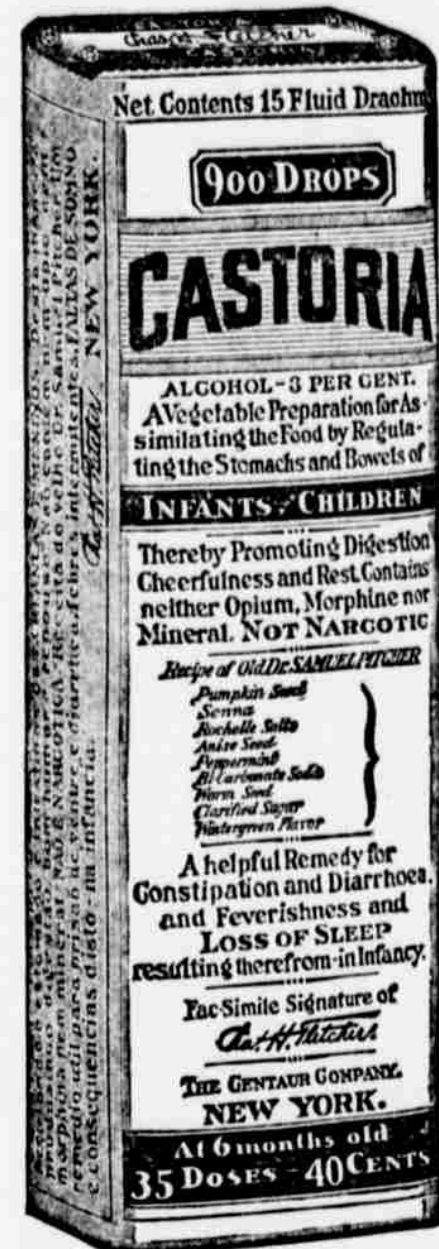
By Way of Proof.

It is being insisted upon that college students of today are not nearly as great fools as their great-grandfathers, who graduated. It must be so. Nobody today tries to get a cow into chapel or upon the roof of the dormitory.—Minneapolis Journal.

Making History.

INFANT MORTALITY in past ages has been something frightful, something almost beyond belief, and even today it occupies the time and the mind of leading physicians in all countries. The death rate among infants is being gradually reduced through new methods of hygiene, new preventatives and new remedies for infants. This reduction in the death rate has NOT been accomplished by adapting the precautions taken and remedies used by adults. Rather has it been to keep clear of the old methods, and choose after long research the precautions and remedies specifically applicable to infants.

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"You'd think he had some knowledge of the Bible, wouldn't you? At least enough to make an intelligible guess. Instead, he said: 'Ruth? What Boaz? That slob better keep off Babe Ruth, whoever he is. Had his nerve saying a word to the mighty Bambino, no matter what he was doing on the field.'"

"I tried again, but he was so deep in the sporting page I couldn't signal him."—New York Sun.

Whites Outnumbered.

Taking the broadest possible view of the racial maps of the globe as it existed before the war, it will be found that out of a total number of human beings amounting to 1,700,000,000, 550,000,000 were white, 1,150,000,000 were colored. Thus the colored races outnumbered the whites more than two to one.

What a relief it would be if musicians were born instead of being made by practice.

NOT UNTOUCHED BY SORROW

Teacher Entirely Mistaken if She Imagined Small Girl Had Never Experienced Suffering.

Emily Margaret, a six-year-old Columbus girl, has straight blond hair. This is a source of much distress to Emily Margaret, as she is not too young to appreciate the advantage of curly hair, and she particularly admires black hair. She was at Sunday school recently, and the teacher was telling of the terrible plight of the children of the war-stricken countries. By the way of implanting a proper appreciation of their blessings in the minds of the children, the teacher called their attention to the contrast between their own condition and that of the unfortunate youngsters overseas.

"Why," she concluded, "you little ones have no idea of what sorrow means." Emily Margaret was flattered, but she could not let the statement go unchallenged. "She addressed the teacher thus: 'Miss Blank, I'm awfully sorry for them, but all the same I do not know what sorrow means. Every time I see a little girl with dark curly hair I have to shut my eyes to keep from crying.'"

Keeps It in Circulation.

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"Do you always act on it?"

"No, I pass it on to the next person I meet."

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