

ARMY SUPPLIES IN CHAIN OF CITIES

Three Towns Behind the Lines in France Hold Great Stores.

BAKERY SYSTEM A FEATURE

Forty Shipments of White Bread Made Daily—All Facilities Being Enlarged—One Town is Storage Center.

Behind the American Front in France... Less spectacular than the continued arrival of American troops...

Keeping pace with the increasing training camps there has grown up a storage, transportation and distribution system...

The various functions of the system—bakery, refrigerating plant, warehouses for clothing, non-perishable foods...

Bakery is Great Industry. No link in the chain between "a port in France" and the American front is, perhaps, more interesting than the bakeries.

The supplying of the American troops in France with white bread has become a great industry and is growing all the time.

The American army first took possession of a huge bakery in a central French city, formerly operated by a

German, and having a capacity for storing 1,500,000 pounds of flour...

Those making the arrangements knew that the time would soon come when the city bakery would be inadequate...

By the time the city bakery had reached its capacity the shacks were fully equipped with the very latest in baking machinery.

Each baking company has for some time been exceeding the limit of 30,000 pounds a day and has been turning out from 33,000 to 35,000 pounds.

RODE THREE TIMES THROUGH BARRAGE

Indian Rajput at Cambrai Escapes Without Scratch in Daring Mission.

IS GIVEN VICTORIA CROSS

Delivers Messages Which Perhaps Saved Battalion of British From Extinction—Three Horses Shot Under Him.

London.—Lieut. Gobind Singh has the Victoria Cross and he earned it. He is a Rajput from India and he is a brave man.

stitutes about forty separate shipments that are made daily—by train, motor truck and horse-drawn vehicles.

The bread is supplemented by biscuits and rolls at breakfast and supper.

In the city itself the Americans found one of the largest refrigerating and meat storage warehouses in France...

Direct railroad lines lead not only from the bakery and the refrigerating plant to the camps but also from the seaports and the city.

Several miles westward, at the lower apex of the triangle, lies another French town which has been all but wholly taken over by the Americans as a storage center.

One of the largest buildings which the Americans have taken over is devoted to equipment. Here are stored many thousands of uniforms and every article of clothing from shoes and caps to buttons and handkerchiefs.

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ered messages which perhaps saved a battalion from extermination. There is no prouder Indian in Great Britain or France than Lieutenant Singh.

It was at Cambrai that he went through the bullet-swept areas to deliver his precious messages.

The message required a reply and he volunteered to deliver it. He sallied forth on another horse and with his body glued to that animal he plunged ahead with the machine gun fire again playing on him.

Makes Third Trip. But his task was not finished. His officer found that if one more message could be sent to the staff the battalion might be rescued.

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The bullets developed by the United States ordnance department have been tested on land and from airplanes to see if there is any difference in their performance when fired from a quickly moving airplane in the upper atmosphere and when fired on land.

These tests indicate that the United States has developed a class of special cartridges with a performance fully equal to or surpassing that attained abroad.

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AUSTRIAN FOR AMERICA FIRST, LAST—ALWAYS

Greensburg, Pa.—Peter Dorzuk, an Austrian shoemaker, is for America first, last and all the time.

Before going to camp Dorzuk invested all his savings, amounting to several thousands of dollars, in Liberty bonds.

"2 Helmet der Kaiser." Columbus, O.—A unique sign has been tacked above the counting room door in State Auditor Donahue's suite.

WASHINGTON CITY SIDELIGHTS



Chicken Thief Had Consideration for His Captor

WASHINGTON.—Cliff Lanham, chairman of local exemption board No. 5, had an exciting experience the other night, and the thoughts of the participants therein are herewith presented for future examination by psychoanalysts.

Jumping out of bed, Cliff grabbed his trusty 32 howitzer and made downstairs for the kitchen door.

It was one of the cold nights, but Cliff plunged forth, regardless, pajamas and bare feet make for speed. He was into the shed before the thief was aware.

"Hands up!" cried Lanham, addressing his remarks to the dusky figure seen in the dusky shed.

But the dusky figure started to flee instead. So Lanham let go his revolver and grappled with the intruder.

Now we investigate the train of thought of the colored man. "Say, boss, that individual said, turning to Lanham, 'Well?' answered Lanham. 'What do you want?'"

After All, What Was There for the "Jedge" to Do?

A BIG real estate man—"big" stands for business—called on an old tenant who was behind in her rent.

"Look here, aunty. I don't want to see you turned out in weather like this. I know how good you used to be to that old man of yours after he got crippled up—and what a lot of honest hard work you have done in your time—I wish I had as clean a record. Suppose I give you that dollar. Will you come to the office and pay up?"

"Jedge" gave her the money—Lord love—and went his way. The next morning the old lady failed to show up. She was among those absent the day after.

"Why, good maw'nin, jedge! It cert'n'y is curus for you to come heah jes' as I was a steddin' 't' come roun' 't' yoh office wif my rent money—I got it all 'guther cep'n' the las' dollah—"

"Deed you did, jedge, honey. You cert'n'y did gimme that dollah—an' it come in mouty handy, too—ifn I hadn't had it when that ooman come stawmpin' in on me to pay her the las' dollah I owed her for my ree-gale-ery I could'n't a-turned out yesty with the Sisters of the Gallilean Fishmen an' rid in a hack. You c'n go to pablor socials, any way you wants to, but when you rides to buryin's you got to weah a pupple silk ap'n bou'n 'round' wif white an' a collah to match. The s'lety I b'longs to pays sick bene-fits an' 'sesses you eve'y time you dies, so you c'n have a chu'ch suvvice wif fo' hacks free an' a wreat of any kinder flowers yo' mo'ners calls for. But I got mah wash money comin' to me 't'night, an' ifn the madam pays me I cert'n'y am gwine take that dollah an' pay mah rent—"

It isn't in the story what the "Jedge" did, but as the old tenant kept her chip of a house up in Blank alley one might guess.

Peculiar Thrill Went With Shopping Expedition

A WOMAN in a raincoat was buying gloves. The customer next wore finery which implied a chauffeur at the curb.

When her package was tucked under from the weather, Raincoat went outside, raised her gloria, and—

Down showered gloves, silk stockings, a nifty neckpiece and a silver-meshed bag.

You might suppose a showdown like that would have raised a mob, but there wasn't an Argus-eye in sight—thanks to the storm and to the fact that this is a true happening instead of dramatic fiction.

Remarkable Appetite Is That of Washington Rabbit

A NEW use for coal has been discovered by the janitor of a Washington apartment house. Whether notice of the discovery should be sent to Secretary McAdoo or to Herbert Hoover I leave to the reader to decide.

He became the possessor of a fat rabbit, and, having no other place to keep the little cousin to the kangaroo, decided to house the animal in the furnace room.

Little does it know that any moment a cruel coal may drop upon its back. "Deed, boss, dat rabbit eats fire, he do."

POULTRY



SUITABLE HOUSE FOR FOWLS

Hens Should Be Comfortable, With Floor Space of 3 or 4 Square Feet for Each Bird.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

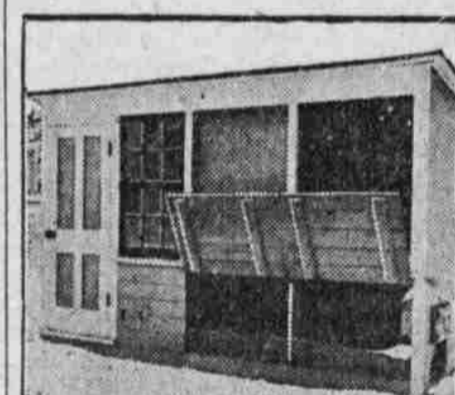
The poultry flock should be comfortably but not expensively housed. A house which provides a floor space of 3 or 4 square feet per bird is ample for the purpose, and fowls are often successfully kept with an allowance no greater than 2½ to 3 square feet.

Houses must be dry and free from draft, but must allow ventilation. Often there is an unused shed or small building on the place which can easily be converted into a chicken house.

The front of the poultry house should be faced toward the south, if possible, so that the sun will shine into it. Perfectly satisfactory houses can be made cheaply from plane boxes or other packing cases.

Two piano boxes with the backs removed can be nailed together and a door cut in the end. These boxes should be covered with a roofing paper in order to keep the house dry and to make it wind-proof.

A cheap house 8 by 8 feet square can be made by 2 by 4-inch pieces and 12-inch boards. The 2 by 4 pieces are used for sills, plates, corner posts, and three rafters. No studding is required except that necessary to frame the



Good Type of Poultry House.

door and window space. The boards are run up and down and add sufficient stiffness to the house. They are used also for the roof and covered with roofing paper.

In the side a door should be provided which will allow entrance. A shed or single-slope roof is best because easiest to build. A height of 6 feet in front and 4 feet in the rear is ample.

Such a house would be ample for a flock of 20 to 25 hens. It can be built quickly and easily and is cheap in construction.

INSURE CHICKENS AND EGGS

Farmer Who Hatches Early in Spring Seems to Have Best of Argument—Lay in Winter.

An essential part of the endeavor to insure more chickens and eggs is contained in the maxim—hatch early. The farmer who hatches early in the spring, either by incubation or natural methods, seems to have all the best of the argument.

When chickens are hatched early in the spring they mature in the fall and lay eggs in the winter. Then, in the spring, they are ready to hatch early.

Do not breed slackers. Do not breed from slackers whether they are poor layers or those which are inactive, go to roost early, come off the roost late.

Basis of Feed. Bran and corn should be the basis of poultry feed in consideration of present prices.

Food for Chicks. In order for chicks to grow the best it is desirable to have food of some kind before them all the time.

LONDON AMBULANCE GIRLS FULLY EQUIPPED



To protect them from any possible danger from air raids the L. C. G. ambulance girls of London have been completely outfitted, even with shrapnel helmets. These energetic war workers can be seen hurrying throughout London during air raids to aid those who might be victims of the deadly Teuton bombs.

NEW AIRPLANE BULLET

Washington.—The war department authorizes the following:

The present war brought forth a new kind of ammunition for airplane use in the form of special cartridges containing bullets for armor-piercing, tracing, and incendiary purposes.

With the progress of the war the more vital parts of the airplane were protected with light armor, so that it became necessary to introduce the armor-piercing bullet.

As the gasoline tanks were particularly susceptible to incendiary explosion, it was necessary to procure a bullet containing an inflammable substance, ignited upon discharge, which would carry the spark of flame into the tank upon piercing it.

As the target, the enemy airplane, was within fighting range for only brief moments at a time, and as there were no means of determining the fire effect as on land, a tracer bullet containing a bright-burning composition, which would indicate the path of the