

**TIN HAT WORN BY
YANKEES PROVES
ITS REAL WORTH**

Lives Are Saved by the Peculiar Steel of Which They Are Made; Soldier Swallows Bullet.

Correspondence of Associated Press.
Paris, July 30.—The case of one American marine who went through a hail of shrapnel and machine gun fire at Cantigny and is now convalescing from a wound in the great American military hospital at Neuilly, in the Paris suburbs, seems to have demonstrated that the American field helmet, commonly called by soldiers the "tin hat," is a thoroughly reliable article when put to the supreme test. This marine owed his life to his "tin hat," and the peculiar qualities of its steel in giving slightly without shattering. In the midst of the action he went down with a ball striking the top of the helmet and pressing down to the skull. He was brought back, along with the helmet, which showed a deep indentation about the size of half a base ball. It was this indentation which had pressed down to the scalp, making a wound which required trepanning. But there it stopped, and the metal of the tin hat after giving to the missile until its force was spent, had stopped it in its deadly flight straight toward the brain. The trepanning operation was only slight and the marine was well on the way to recovery.

Helmet Preserved.
The indented helmet was preserved, not as a souvenir, but to be forwarded to the ordnance experts at Washington to show them the good qualities of their helmets. It is said that a hard and brittle steel, which would have resisted without giving, would have been shattered to bits by the impact and the ball would have gone straight through the brain.
In an adjoining ward a stalwart young marine, who had been in the same Cantigny fight stood at attention with no apparent sign of a wound. But the surgeon, feeling at the boy's throat, nodded approvingly, and then remarked that this was one of the most remarkable cases that had ever come under his observation, and probably the only case of the kind on record. A bullet had struck the soldier in the left side of the gullet, where it stopped, and had then descended or been swallowed into the stomach.

Swallowed Bullet.
An X-ray examination clearly showed the ball in the intestines. But instead of removing it by an operation, the surgeons decided to await the course of nature and see if the soldier would digest the rifle ball. And this he did. One of the surgeons remarked that the chances of such a thing happening were less than one in a million, but a colleague added that the chances were far less than that, as he could not recall any like case in the whole range of military surgery.

Many of the French poilus under American care were in the wards of the Daughters of the American Confederacy, with the beds marked with the names of the well known southern figures, such as Stonewall Jackson, Senator Zebulon Vance, Gen. Joseph Wheeler of Alabama.
When the big dietary kitchen was inspected later there was a savory smell of American dishes and dainties being prepared for the wounded men, and one of the surgeons cheered the cooks with the remark "Your dishes do more good than all our medicines." And this is literally true, for these American wounded do not want foreign foods, but long for the simple old-fashioned dishes of home, like boiled custard, malted milk, egg-nog and milk. So that, even in the food American cooks are doing their share, and down to the last detail the Americanism of the big military hospital is proving a blessing to the American maimed and wounded who have come back from the front.

Many Omaha Homes Already Have Winter Coal in Bins
Under normal conditions home owners and managers of apartment houses in Omaha would be storing winter coal in their cellars at the present time and from now on until the latter part of October would be the time of activity in the delivering of supplies of fuel for winter use.
Omaha heeded the advice of the fuel administration and the coal dealers to lay in an early supply of coal as a result of war conditions and there are many homes in the city that have been prepared to combat the blasts of old Boreas since last April.

Interpreters Are Wanted by Draft Boards of Omaha
Exemption boards want interpreters to help them with the big registration scheduled for September 7. Italians, Mexicans, Danes, Poles, Swedes and Germans will be needed. Local board No. 4, which contains a large part of the Italian settlements of the city, will need Italian interpreters.
Men who know different languages and will help out in this work are asked to consult draft board members.

O. E. Berg Not Interested in Berg Potash Company
O. E. Berg, proprietor of the Berg Clothing company, asks The Bee to state that he is not the Berg of the William Berg Potash company, nor is he any relation to that Berg. Berg says that so many of his thousands of friends and acquaintances around the country are writing him concerning potash that he has to keep two secretaries to handle the correspondence. Some are even wiring.

Cheap Pre-War Prices of Clothes Gone; Never Again
London, Aug. 24.—Gone, never to return, are the cheap pre-war prices of clothes. That is the view of an expert writing in a British trade publication, and he predicts another rise soon.
Every shot fired from a 12-inch gun, he says, uses up half a bale of cotton, and in three minutes a machine-gun will squander a full bale.

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