

ARMY CAMPS IN FRANCE IN VERY BAD CONDITION

Congressional Committee Sent Overseas Tells of Outrageous Cruelties That Were Appalling.

New York, Sept. 27.—Bringing a report of "outrageous cruelties perpetrated on American soldiers" in prisons in the A. E. F. in France, the congressional committee sent overseas to investigate tales of army "prison horrors" arrived here today on the transport Agamemnon from Brest. The party was composed of Representatives Royal C. Johnson, South Dakota, chairman; Oscar B. Bland, Indiana, and Henry D. Flood, Virginia.

Conditions in army prison camps were found "very bad" with special emphasis laid on prison camp 2, near Paris, the committee stated. "Conditions were appalling," Representative Bland said as soon as the steamer docked. "Nothing like this treatment of our men had ever been known before in the history of the American army. We have copies of records, reports and testimony of inspectors, courts martial officers, so as to be enabled to definitely fix responsibility."

Conditions nauseating. Representative Bland held that Colonel Grinstead and General Strong were directly responsible for the "unprecedented cruelties" at Prison Farm No. 2, and that if General Strong, who was given Colonel Grinstead, did not know of conditions he should have.

He said that General Harts for months was in the same buildings at 10 Rue St. Anne, where thousands of outrages were committed. Lack of food, heat and air and nauseating sanitary conditions were before his eyes, and the reports showing their condition were on file in his office, Mr. Bland said.

The representative added that General Harts was the military guardian of the president and "no man in the judge advocate general's or provost marshal's departments had the boldness to recommend his trial before a courts martial or efficiency board."

"Three facts stand out," said Mr. Bland. "First that the most horrible and revolting cruelties existed; second, that the higher officers responsible have not been made to atone for the wrongs; third, that no reasonable excuse for the same has been offered by the War department. It is clearly up to them."

Congressman Bland added "it is the intention of the committee to see that every man in any way responsible for the outrages will be brought to justice before the forum of public opinion."

Congressman Johnson said the party would arrive in Washington early tomorrow morning and would immediately begin sorting the records. Representative Bland also said that at the present time there are cases in France of misuses of American government funds which would startle the nation if given publicity. He cited "the vinegar case" as a sample of spending government funds for the purchase of 5,000,000 gallons of vinegar and later revoking the order at great loss.

Keep Probe Quiet. "Another similar case, known as the compass case," he said, "where a purchasing agent bought thousands of compasses for which there was no use."

"We are bringing with us a copy of the blanket agreement in which \$1,700,000 worth of worthless property was sold for \$400,000," Mr. Bland added. "There was \$5,000,000 worth of textiles and food alone in this sale, and a good part of it is as good as new."

Makes Denial of Charge. Washington, Sept. 27.—Denial of charges by Representative Bland, republican, Indiana, that Brig. General Harts was implicated in prison atrocities in the A. E. F. was made in a statement by Representative Flood, democrat, Virginia, minority member of the house sub-committee which returned to Washington after investigating prison conditions and war expenditures in France.

"Evidence before the committee," Mr. Flood said, "exonerated General Harts. As soon as General Harts heard of the alleged prison atrocities he proceeded to correct them. Most of the occurrences were recorded before General Harts took charge of Paris affairs and conditions certainly improved under his direction."

Mr. Flood said the accomplishments of the American expeditionary force were phenomenal and unparalleled. Never before has there been such swift application of intelligent energy, he said.

"I do not agree with Representative Bland's somewhat comprehensive criticism of the American army in France," said Mr. Flood. "The buildings alone if placed end to end, would have extended from Brest to the Russian frontier of Germany, or about 900 miles. Wise provision was made for an army of 4,000,000. France is still wondering at those achievements."

"Of course in a time so hurried and in a business so vast and complicated, some mistakes and errors of judgment must have occurred. There were so few in number and so inconsequential in relation to the big things, successfully accomplished, that they can hardly be detected."

Automobile Section Added To the Advertising League

At a meeting held Friday noon at the Fontenelle, a new section, to be known as the automobile section, was added to the Advertising-Selling league. Members who are now associated with the league, dealing in automobiles, tires, tubes or accessories, those as their representatives on the governing board Carl Changstrom of the Standard Motor Car company and T. W. Rodebush of Kopac Bros. These men will help plan the activities of the league for the balance of the year.

Use The Bee Want Ad columns to rent that vacant room.

FRANCE ERECTING MONUMENT COMMEMORATING AMERICA'S INTERVENTION.—President Poincare of France arriving at Pointe de Grava to participate in the cornerstone laying ceremonies of the great monument which France will erect to commemorate the intervention of America in the world war. Hugh Wallace, America's ambassador to France, laid the cornerstone. Many of France's greatest men attended the impressive ceremonies.



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ADELINA PATTI, FAMOUS PRIMA DONNA, IS DEAD

Operatic Star Succumbs to Long Illness at Welsh Home.

London, Sept. 27.—Adelina Patti, the prima donna, died this morning at Craig-y-Nos castle, Pencoed, South Wales.

Adelina Patti, who sang to perfection before she could speak articulately, was on the operatic and concert stage for more than half a century. No singer, perhaps, ever attained a higher degree of success than she. When in her prime she was known the world over as the "divine Patti," whose soul-moving voice, could, when she sang "Kara-ken Maounee" or other popular air, stir up an audience to such a pitch of feeling as to cause men and women to stand up, wildly wave their handkerchiefs, and, although perfect strangers to one another, embrace and sob in a sort of insane hypnosis.

Born in 1843. Patti was born of Italian parents at Madrid, on February 19, 1843. Her father, Salvatore Patti, a native of Catania, in Sicily, was of noble extraction, and a musician of considerable eminence; her mother was the daughter of a celebrated Roman teacher of singing—Signor Chiesi—and early in life took a high position on the operatic stage under the professional name of Barili. Of the children of the Patti-Barili marriage, all of whom were remarkable musically, Adelina was the youngest.

When she was still an infant in arms her parents migrated from Europe to America, and it was in New York that Adelina's musical talent developed itself precociously. Before completing her fifth year she revealed a remarkable aptitude for overcoming the technical difficulties with which the prevailing school of florid vocalization was overlaid. At the age of 7 (1850) she sang for the first time in public. When Adelina's childish triumphs had reached their apogee, she was prudently withdrawn from the concert room, in order to go through a course of voice training which lasted for a little over eight years. Her first singing master was Etore Barili, her mother's half-brother, who was succeeded by Maurice Strakosch.

Entered Opera at 15. At the age of 15 and a half, Adelina Patti made her public reappearance in New York, this time on the operatic stage, in the role of Lucia (November 24, 1859), and achieved a tremendous success. During the next 18 months she sang the heroines of the more popular operas of Bellini and Donizetti, and carried all before her in the American metropolis. It was not until the spring of 1861 that a fairly remunerative engagement, offered to her by Frederick Gye, then lessee of the Royal Italian opera in London, tempted her to cross the Atlantic, and to bid for the favor of a public at that time notoriously the most difficult to please in Europe.

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South Side Sixty Students From Ames University to Visit Stock Yards

Prof. George Godfrey of Ames university, Iowa, will head a group of 60 students from the agricultural department, coming here October 6 to study market conditions. Their cars will be parked about half a block from the stock yards and meals will be served at the restaurant in the Stock Exchange building.

The Commercial club of Omaha will entertain them at luncheon and conduct them in automobiles through the city. They will leave on October 10.

Belgian Royalty to be Guests of White House for Three-Day Period

Washington, Sept. 27.—King Albert and Queen Elizabeth of Belgium will be guests of the President and Mrs. Wilson at the White House next Saturday, Sunday and Monday, it was announced today at the State Department.

On Saturday the king will be received by the senate, which today agreed to recess at 2 p. m. that day to receive him.

President Wilson has notified the State department, on the advice of Dr. Cary T. Grayson, his personal physician, to have some one other than the president himself, King Albert of Belgium upon the Belgian ruler's arrival at New York.

South Side Brevities

REBAGGAGE and express; also moving; quick service. Jack Ford, No. 2730. Re J. B. Jackson will preach Sunday at the United Presbyterian church, Twenty-third and H streets.

The Ladies Auxiliary, divisions 1 and 2, held a joint meeting at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the A. O. U. W. temple, Twenty-fifth and M streets.

Meyerovich & Vall Packing company reported to South Side police that some one entered their building, Thursday night, breaking the inside door of the safe, but nothing is missing.

William J. McCarthy from the Crow Reservation, Mont., was arrested Friday on a charge of carrying concealed weapons. He was fined \$25 and released on his own recognizance.

Mrs. Louise Schmeling, 76 years old, died at 1212 South Twenty-third street, Friday. The funeral will be Monday at 2 o'clock at the Brewer and Rev. Adams will officiate and the burial will be at the Catholic cemetery.

TRUTH AND VERACITY. When you leave home to do your week-end shopping, don't forget Flynn, there's a store in this town where you can find the things you need at a money saving price. We have inside prices on bedding, quilts and blankets, sheets and sheeting, underwear for every member of the family.

Stephenson and Apex. Hart, Schaefer and Marx suits and overcoats for the men and Woolley Boy clothing for the boys. You can't buy this class of merchandise for low down prices, but you have something in your bundle worth the money when you go home. You are never disappointed in Flynn, because you get what you want, you don't like you can bring it back and return it for a full refund of the money within the bounds of truth and veracity when we say shop and save at Flynn.

LEGAL NOTICES NOTICE OF SALE OF BONDS. Notice is hereby given that the Directors of the Oshkosh Irrigation District will offer for sale bonds numbered 1 to 45 both inclusive of the Oshkosh Irrigation District, being series A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, the first of said series being due and payable July 1st, 1920, and the last July 1st, 1929, said bonds being negotiable in form, and in denominations of \$500.00 and \$100.00, and bearing interest at 6 per cent per annum payable semi-annually with interest coupons attached. Principal and interest payable at the office of the treasurer of said district, Oshkosh, Neb. Said bids for said bonds will be received at the office of said Irrigation District up to the hour of 12 o'clock on the 20th day of September, 1919, at which time the purchase of said bonds will be awarded to the highest bidder, or, in case of a tie, provided the said bond reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Bids to be sealed and marked "Bond Bid" and directed to Robt. Quelle, Secretary, Oshkosh Irrigation District, Oshkosh, Nebraska. Dated September 4, 1919. ROBT. QUELLE, Secretary of Oshkosh Irrigation District.

NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL. In the County Court of Douglas County, Nebraska, In the Matter of the Estate of Happy T. Van Winkle, Deceased. All persons interested in said estate are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said Court, praying for the probate of a certain instrument now on file in said Court, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, and that a hearing will be had on said petition at 10 o'clock on the 30th day of September, 1919, and that if they fail to appear at said Court on the said 30th day of September, 1919, at 9 o'clock A. M., the Court may allow and probate said will and grant administration of said estate to the executor named in said will, and that any person who has any claim or other equitable interest, enter a decree of heirship, and proceed to establish the same. BRUCE CRAWFORD, Sept. 8 to 29, Inc. County Judge.

A banquet and theater party were given last Friday night by Isaac Konecky, editor of the Jewish Bulletin. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. G. Himman, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sperry, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Walker, Mr. Charles Barnhart, Mr. and Mrs. J. Borzen, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rapp, Jr., Mrs. Frank Clements, Miss Eva Lipt, Eugene Konecky, Miss Miriam Konecky, L. N. Swindler, Mr. and Mrs. Konecky.

A. O. U. W. Meeting The central committee of all the A. O. U. W. lodges will meet next Wednesday night at the A. O. U. W. Temple in Omaha. Plans for the new members campaign and banquet will be arranged, and there will be music and speaking.

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South Side Girl to Answer Call of Home and Parents

After six years of absence, the call of family and home is too strong for Miss Cecelia Ryan to resist longer, and she will leave Omaha, October 15, and sail for Ireland on the Cedric, October 23. Miss Ryan came to Omaha six years ago and made her home with her uncle, John Ryan, 3836 South Twenty-fourth street.

Though she regrets to leave her relatives and friends here, she feels that she cannot leave soon enough. "I expect to be away about six months or a year, and can scarcely wait 'till I see my parents and sisters. My home town is Castledar, Mayo county, Don't you think that a musical name?"

Sheep Receipts Record Broken by Large Margin

Receipts of sheep and lambs this month have been the heaviest in the history of the Omaha market. Up to and including Saturday, the month's run is 775,000 head, and this will undoubtedly be increased by Monday and Tuesday's arrivals to a total of about 870,000 head.

The former banner month's receipts of sheep and lambs was in September, 1918, the arrivals at that time being 729,950 head.

Over 1,000,000 feeding sheep and lambs have been sent to the country from the Omaha market during July, August and so far this month.

Ready for Opening of South Side Settlement

Mrs. W. S. Caldwell, head resident of the Social Settlement, Twenty-ninth and Q streets, is ready for the winter activities of the South Side settlement.

"Though I regret that we cannot accommodate as many as we would like, I feel that the work is fully appreciated in the neighborhood, both by the residents and the board," said Mrs. Caldwell.

Citizens to Discuss Car Extension on South Side

Car line extension will be discussed by the West Side Boosters club Tuesday evening at Fenton's hall, 3601 Q street. Citizens in the neighborhood of Thirty-sixth, Forty-first and Harrison streets say they are entitled to as much consideration as other sections of the city. Club officers for the coming year will be elected.

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Delegates Chosen to American Legion Convention, Oct. 10

Following is a list of American Legion members in Omaha, who have been notified officially of their election as delegates to the state convention of the legion, to be held in the Omaha municipal auditorium, October 10 and 11:

George Boyd, Ted Nelson, Chas. T. Mahi, G. F. Wolley, H. G. Montgomery, R. L. Dunlap, F. B. Heintz, Fred Christenson, Otto Peterson, Rolland Jones, James Cowan, J. Kilmartin, K. Hopkins, Walter Byrne, Annon Raymond, Ralph Coad, J. Hart, E. E. Kiplinger, Leo Crosby, B. J. Fraser, Dr. F. H. Milner, Larry Nygaard, J. J. Shannon, Dr. H. C. Sumner, R. J. Madden, Dr. E. C. Henry, H. E. Judd, F. Larsen, F. W. Curry, F. J. Leary, A. W. Elsassner, Chas. McLaughlin, Allan Tukey, Amos Thomas, Keen Ludden, J. J. Isaacson, T. E. Sheehan, George Thummel, W. S. McEchorn, W. Mehl, T. J. McGuire, Ed McCarthy, Robert Webb, Karl W. Horn.

C. L. Natanson, R. E. Hitchcock, Hugh O'Gone, Warren Howard, Len Marshall, Leo Bozell, Charles Howes, Roy E. Rice, Robert Gormley, Dr. A. A. Johnson, Fred Ochslein, Fred Heyn, Joseph McGlynn.

Levert Goodin, Dell Neville, Hird Stryker, J. M. Young, A. J. Brumble, Robert Burns, S. Murphy, R. T. Wilson, R. T. Murphy, Frank Selby, Emmett Hannon, Thomas McMahon, Capt. C. E. Adams, Ken Reed, Paul Peterson.

Charles Bishop, Noble De France, Charles Adams, Silas Harris, E. K. Hammond, Lyle Keys, H. Easton, A. Gustafson, Ed. Beerman, F. J. Boyle, Harold Pritchett, D. Wallace, R. Gillispie.

The following men have been elected, but the secretary has been unable to locate them, and asks them or their friends to communicate with him at Seventeenth and Howard streets: Paul Wausch, R. T. Maur, Carl Bergamen, Murphy, C. S. Hallon, Domke, T. J. McMannis, S. W. Conley, Thomas Rosen, R. R. Brunen, Hal Linehan, Dr. Levine, Charles Baumgarten, T. M. Mitek, W. Dynan, Len Kerr, Dr. Anderson, Dr. Crawford, M. A. Pages, and Charles Amory.

Expect 75,000 to See the Omaha Pure Food Show, Oct. 25

A pure food show will be staged at the Auditorium October 25 to November 1 by the Omaha Retail Grocers' association. Indications are that it will surpass all previous shows in variety of display and attractive features.

A larger number of distributors already have secured space than ever before, and many more are negotiating. It is believed that before the time limit for closing deals will have expired every booth will be reserved.

Officers of the association expect over 75,000 people to attend. The decorations for this year will be elaborate and beautiful. The program for each day will be arranged with the idea of combining entertainment and instruction.

Serbian Willing to Sign. Paris, Sept. 27.—Serbia now is willing to sign the Austrian treaty to which the representatives of Jugo-Slavias declined to attach their signatures when the document was signed by the delegates of the powers, with the exception of Roumania, at St. Germain, September 10, according to the Petit Parisien today.

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Buster Brown and His Dog, Tige, Entertain 9,000 Omaha Children

Buster Brown and his cunning canine, "Tige," entertained 9,000 children yesterday morning and afternoon in the Brandeis stores.

This real American boy and his live-wire dog made a hit with the boys and girls who swarmed into the stores to view this combination which originally were made famous in cartoons. Seeing them in real life was a genuine Saturday treat.

"Monkey Stuff," a comic movie two-reel feature, was shown with Buster himself in the leading role. During the reception at the Brandeis stores Buster showed the boys how they look when they are smoking cigars. Several boys avowed that they would never, in their whole lives, smoke cigars. Tige showed what a clever dog he is by playing dead and going through other antics.

See Want Ads Produce Results.

Investment Bargain

Just listed, one 7-room cottage, all modern, hot water heat; one 6-room cottage, all modern, hot water heat; one 5-room cottage, all modern. One apartment-flat of eight apartments, three rooms and bath in each, lot is 67x185 fronting on two streets, all paved and paid for; car lines handy and within walking distance. Price, \$16,500. A 12 per cent net investment, and can be increased, as owner has not raised any of the rents. See us about this at once, as the owner wants to sell quick.

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