

Cry for Bread In Russia Facing Ghastly Famine

Plagues Begin to Sweep Country Which Is Unable to Produce Food for the Starving.

Berlin, Sept. 9.—Stories are reaching Berlin hourly of the great tragedy which has fallen on Russia. Some of these seem too ghastly for belief. Yet the many parts of the country from which they come and the same terrible details of famine, disease and death with which they are crowded, indicate that Russia is looming up to the world's stage in greater catastrophe than ever before. The mighty nation of 140,000,000 is writhing in the death agonies of cholera, scurvy, hunger and typhus. Plague has rendered the streets of the principal cities like London's highways during the terrible visitation of 1665. Politics, personalities and creeds are forgotten momentarily before the scourges. Marxist theories are vanishing into thin air before nature's relentless onslaught. All the efforts of the soviet government are directed today to the formation of committees of success, many members of which are former bitter political opponents. History has no parallel to the disaster now overtaking the unhappy land.

Drouth Taking Toll.
The drouth is taking its toll of victims in the north. The earth in many places shows cracks 20 feet deep. Trees are devoid of leaves, and all wells and streams are dried up. Many villages have been wiped out by fire. Nearly all the cattle have been slaughtered for food or died for want of water. The population is feasting on rotten sun-dried carcasses, collapsing immediately after from ptomaine poisoning. Whole towns are emigrating in thousands. Many of these unfortunates will never reach their destination, and hundreds have already perished on the way. Those that are struggling along on their tragic pilgrimage are living on grass, hay, tree-bark and plundering wherever they can.

Autopsies have revealed that the stomachs of the dead contained nothing but parched grass. In many cases the population of towns and villages come out in lanes to meet the refugees and massacre them for fear that they will plunder their own precious food stores. The cry for bread is ringing from helpless mouths over countless thousands of square miles, and there is none to help. Saratoff is offering in vain 10 horses and five head of cattle for each three pounds of flour.

Kneel at Shrines.
The peasants are kneeling at wayside shrines before effigies of Christ crying out: "There is no health in us O Lord! Give me bread, O precious Saviour! Ere we perish!" The *Derevnskaya Biednota*, the soviet organ, prints today a list of provinces in which famine and other scourges are killing one person in three. These include Moscow, Petrograd, Archangel, White Russia, Simolensk and the Crimea. There are reports that the soviet government is preparing to transport 1,200,000 peasants into China. It is estimated that 600,000 will never reach the journey's end. One person in every 400 sufferers can be accommodated in the special hospitals which the soviet government has erected at Moscow and Petrograd. Others fall dead in the streets, their bodies containing the air, while birds of prey hover ominously above the telegraph wires.

The simplest operations cannot be performed for lack of doctors. Those that there are have no instruments, no anaesthetics, no bandages, no medicines. Germany is participating actively in the international measures for the assistance of Russia. Maxim Gorky, with the agreement of the soviet authorities, is coming to Berlin to get in touch with leading physicians and scientists. The Germans are unable to send food but are dispatching with all haste numerous Red Cross units, huge quantities of surgical instruments, especially to the Volga district, where there are 750,000 Germans.

Both Hands on Wheel Is Rule in Connecticut
Hartford, Conn., Sept. 9.—Motorists who hug and drive at the same time had better not try the exercise in Connecticut if they would avoid danger of arrest. An order from the state motor vehicle commissioner puts a ban on the practice of women sitting in the laps of drivers and on one-arm driving. The chief inspector already has caused the conviction in the Berlin town court of Henry Greenburg of Hartford, arrested while driving with a woman in his lap. The inspector says that one-armed persons cannot get drivers' licenses; persons with two arms are expected to use them for the safety of themselves and the public.

Love Notes Never Delivered Found in Library Book Pages
Mansfield, O., Sept. 9.—Romances found between the leaves of numerous books in the public library here were never dreamed of by the books' authors. In many books returned to the librarian by patrons are found old letters, pink-tinted notes, fresh-looking letters never mailed, lace handkerchiefs, cigar bands, samples of dress material, postcards, love pictures and telegrams, all forgotten by the owners who placed them between the leaves. Each of these forgotten articles tells its own story. In some of the old books are to be found letters written with age, bearing names of relatives long since passed away.

National Bank Call Issued
By Currency Comptroller Washington, Sept. 9.—The comptroller of the currency today issued a call for the condition of all national banks at the close of business on Tuesday, Sept. 6. See Want Ads Produce Results.

New U. S. Sea Fighter Launched



U. S. S. WASHINGTON LAUNCHED.

Until a decision is reached by the disarmament conference Uncle Sam is remembering and acting upon a state for which the ship is named, is little lesson in preparedness learned at the outset of the recent war. The U. S. S. Washington, sponsored by 10-year-old Miss Jean Summers, daughter of a congressman from the state for which the ship is named, is only one of four of her type now being built. The Washington will mount 16-inch rifles and will be the last word in superdreadnaught construction. She didn't lack kick even at her launching. From the hands of little Jean Summers a bottle of honest-to-God champagne fell against the prow of the ship.



JEAN SUMMERS.

have congregated in our large cities. Many of the problems that confront the immigrant, and many that puzzle the social worker, are carefully delineated, and the illustrations in themselves are an inspiration for service.

"Historic English" those who feel an intelligent pride and interest in their native tongue will find much that is stimulating. The beauties of English, its flexibility, grace and historic dignity are here set forth by a master of the language, the late James C. Fernald. To many of those who write he is known mainly for his handy volume, "English Synonyms, Antonyms and Prepositions," but he was far from being as dry in his ways as this might lead one to believe. The elegance of his own style is unquestionable, but his subject itself is one sufficient to hold close attention. He shows how and why our great language came into being and explains how it developed and progressed. Samples of Anglo-Saxon literature, bits of Chaucer and selections from many other masterpieces are given, with comment that is truly illuminating. Published by Funk & Wagnalls Co.

A sane, tolerant, breezy and yet thorough discussion of a bitterly controversial subject is that of Dr. G. Frank Lydston in "That Bogey Man, the Jew." As a medical man the author diagnoses the case as one of nerves, an aftermath of the tension of the war. Bigotry and fanaticism are not American traits, and it is content that the hysteria is bound to pass. Following closely after the Mayflower, 14 Jewish families landed at Plymouth, thus establishing as good a title as most to Americanism. Those who came after, from whatever land, are only a part of millions of newcomers, and just fairly to be singled out for obloquy. An interesting aspect of the discussion is found in his word of advice concerning the impulse to hit back through restrictive legislation and interference with sales of anti-Semitic publications. It is published by the Burton Publishing company, Kansas City, Mo.

A really notable novel is "The Heel of Achilles," by Miss E. M. Delafield. It is the story of a young woman who always kept her eye on the main chance, winning progress that way, but still lacking something. "Always let other people talk about themselves," her grandfather had advised. In following this precept as a clerk private secretary, author, and wife, she found only one weak spot in her armor. One may deal with grownups, but children are different. Witty and cynical, solid and true, this novel is sure to be widely enjoyed. Published by Macmillan.

Youngest of all annuals is the "Aircraft Year Book," the 1921 edition of which has just been issued by Small, Maynard & Co. No activity in the air is neglected in this summary, and special articles on many topics make it a deal more than merely a book of reference. "Dynastic America and Those Who Own It," is the title of a small book by Henry H. Klein, dealing with the congestion of wealth. After showing that money is concentrating in the hands of the second to the fifth generations, he outlines a plan of inheritance tax by which to remedy the disparity of means. He has made an estimate of the wealth of the 450 richest families and sets the fortune of John D. Rockefeller at \$2,400,000,000. A discussion of large contributions to political parties, of philanthropic foundations and of international investments also is presented. The book is published by the author, at 158 East Ninety-third street, New York City.

"Honor Bright," by Laura E. Richards. Published by the Page company. An interesting book for girls that will make them all love nature. "Honor Bright" is a lively, lovable, wholesome and healthy girl. She is a character that every girl reader would do well to know. Much can be learned from her healthy optimism. "Grace Harlowe With the American Army on the Rhine," by Jessie Graham Flower. Published by the Henry Altemus company. This volume not only furnishes us with a glimpse of the heroic deeds of the



GEORGE D. SHAW, Springfield, Mass.

"To say that I feel twenty-five years younger, twenty-five years healthier and twenty-five years stronger expresses what Tanlac has done for me better than any other way I can put it," said George D. Shaw, veteran of the Civil War, who now lives at 321 Walnut street, Springfield, Mass. "I am now seventy-eight years old and I don't hesitate to say I have never known a medicine to equal Tanlac. For fifteen years I was subject to attacks of indigestion that were so bad at times I would have to lay up for a week or two. For a long time I lived on crackers and milk alone as nothing else agreed with me. "When I started on Tanlac I weighed only one hundred and seventeen pounds and my days were thought to be numbered. I've been so wonderfully built up, I now weigh one hundred and forty-three pounds and my stomach is as sound as a dollar. In fact, I believe I could eat the old army rations again without it hurting me in the least. "I never miss a chance of saying a good word for Tanlac and I would like to urge the boys of the 'Sixties' who are not feeling right to give it a trial, for I am sure it would put them in line again just as it has me. For a man of my age to have no physical ailment, to be well and strong and enjoy life as he did twenty-five years ago, is certainly something to be thankful for and there is nothing too good I can say for Tanlac." Tanlac is sold in Omaha by the Sherman & McConnell Drug Co. and by leading druggists everywhere.

India's Submerged Tenth Is Neither White Nor Black

Englishman and Native Alike Look Down on Half Caste Breed Which Makes Up Lowest Social Order.

Delra Doon, India, Sept. 9.—(By Mail)—In India the "Submerged Tenth" is that tragic part of the population that is neither black nor white, but of varying shades of yellow—from pale maize to strong café au lait. Of all the world's peoples there are neither fish, flesh, fowl, nor good red herring. They are disregarded by the Englishman and despised by the native. There are many pretty girls among them who in another land might be considered beauties if Spanish or Portuguese descent. They show no trace of their Indian blood except in their dark eyes and hair—and a certain something which the Anglo-Saxon is so quick to sense—that "something" which produces a laugh and a shrug and—a joke. Every one knows how they talk.

their queer clipped accent—half clipped, yet half-sing-song—which is so objectionable to English ears. And the way they cling to their poor glimmer of a position is the most pitious symbol of their submerged status. No one in India, but the half-caste and some few overbearing and uneducated Englishmen ever calls the Indian "a nigger," but the "Submerged Tenth," despised by the native, shows its venom by using this abhorred word whenever and as often as it can. During the great war efforts were made to organize a half-caste regiment, and one was actually started, but it was not a success, simply because of the insults that were continually hurled at its members by Tommy and sepoy alike. Many of the "Submerged Tenth" have risen out of the sordid elements which seemed to be their lot, and have proved themselves to be splendid men and women. Some of these are in government services in postoffices, in banks, as well as in all branches of trade. They know the native and his language better than the pure-bred Englishman can ever do, and thus can get their labor, food and clothing for half the money that we have to pay. Some, too, have proved themselves "white all through beneath the skin," and have been admitted socially to our clubs and even to our homes. But the others must ever stand outside the gates, looking wistfully in at gardens which seem so fair just because they themselves can never enter.

Toy Balloons Take Lad For Ride at Carnival
Niles, O., Sept. 9.—An unexpected trip in the air thrilled a 4-year-old lad and spectators alike at a carnival here. When a street vender fastened a big bunch of toy balloons to the 40-pound youngster's arm a strong gust of wind raised the child off his feet, carrying him some distance over the carnival grounds. Spectators, who followed the lad, caught him and removed the balloons.

Tide Steals Woman's Clothes as She Swims
London, Sept. 9.—The tide played a mean trick on the senior mistress of an exclusive girls' school at Eastbourne. She stole away for a quiet swim, undressed on the seashore and paddled around for half an hour. When she emerged she discovered that the tide had carried away all her clothes but one flimsy garment. She had to walk five miles in a boiling sun, clad in a one-piece bathing suit.

Franklin Roosevelt Reported Seriously Ill at Summer Home

Eastport, Me., Sept. 9.—Franklin D. Roosevelt is seriously ill at his summer cottage on the Canadian island of Campobello, New Brunswick, two miles across Eastport harbor. It is reported that both legs are affected by some sort of partial paralysis and that he will be taken away September 14 by the several specialists there.

New York, Sept. 9.—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, at the Roosevelt home in Hyde Park, said that Mr. Roosevelt was much improved when she left Campobello on Wednesday. "Mr. Roosevelt has been quite ill, but is improved and his physicians said he would be able to come home in about 10 days," she said. "His trouble has not been diagnosed to the complete satisfaction of his physicians, but they are of the opinion that it is a form of rheumatism."

Supreme Judge Dies
Goldshoro, N. C., Sept. 9.—Judge W. R. Allen, 61, associate justice of the supreme court of North Carolina, died here today.

THE-BEE BOOK-SHELF

Booth Tarkington, in his latest novel, "Alice Adams," has made a valuable addition to his already long list of realistic novels. It would not be surprising should this be as widely read as "Main Street." It is the story of a young girl with a dotting, foolish mother, a timid, retiring father, and a weakling brother. The feeble strivings of mother and daughter to appear what they are not, a crime ambitious America is too much given to, the manner in which the mother harasses the hard-working father to become wealthy, no matter how, for the sake of his children, the continual, impractical nagging that is irritating enough to drive a man to violence—all these things Booth Tarkington understands and presents to the reader in the form of a romance, which remains only a romance, because Alice Adams, a perfectly human girl, could not be natural. Even the gestures of her lovely hands were artificial and the tantalizing lights of her half smile, carefully studied out before her mirror. Love came very near to her, as near as her doorstep, and turned away, because it was a disturbed and uneasy love, based on a pretense of wealth and position that could not be maintained. "Alice Adams" is published by Doubleday, Page & Co.

Utah Copper Pays Dividend
New York, Sept. 8.—Directors of the Utah Copper company declared the usual quarterly dividend of 50 cents a share on the capital stock of the company at the regular quarterly meeting today.

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