

# Greenhouses In Algeria

LONG FIGHT WAGED BY ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS SOCIETIES SHOWING RESULTS. DEATH RATE IS DECREASING

Statistics of Life Insurance Company Show Tuberculosis Rank Eighth in List of Death Causes.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 21.—Deaths due to tuberculosis are on the decrease in Michigan, according to a casual statistic of a life insurance company doing business in this state. These figures show that tuberculosis comes eighth in the list of the causes of death and that only 12 of the 214 deaths that have been done by the state were attributed to that disease.

"There was a time when tuberculosis was much further toward the top of Michigan," said an official of the company. "Michigan has been taking rapid strides in the last decade in fighting this disease. The work that has been done by the state and the local societies and by all the organizations that are fighting tuberculosis is beginning to show its results."

"Life insurance statistics are a pretty reliable indication of real conditions. It is sometimes hard for people to see the results of movements such as are being conducted against tuberculosis, but such things as insurance statistics show that work of this kind usually takes a number of years before the real results are made apparent."

## Forest Fire Fighters Merged.

A large increase in the forest fighting arrangements of the state is forecast by the action of the public domain commission in taking over the forest fighting organization of the Northern Forest Protective association. This association's organization, in the form of a corps, consists of a training school, a headquarters at Marquette, and a large army of fire wardens in the northern peninsula. The commission's action, it is believed, will assure cooperation and protection.

Mr. Wyman, who has been the head and front of the protective association ever since it was formed, becomes assistant to Game and Fish Commissioner John Baird. Mr. Wyman will have charge of the Michigan straits, working in conjunction with William Pearce of Boyne Falls, the chief fire warden of the state.

For some time there has been a lack of cooperation between all of the forest fighters in the upper part of the state. The commission's action, it is believed, will assure cooperation and protection. Mr. Wyman is to spread the doctrine of prevention of forest fires in an educational manner all over the state.

## State Fishery Proposed.

John Baird, recently appointed state game and fish commissioner, proposes that Michigan, if carried out, Michigan citizens can buy whitefish at approximately 10 cents a pound. Commissioner Baird says many instances of the state game and fish whitefish and other species that cannot be taken with hook and line, yet are of excellent food qualities and are allowed to remain unharmed. It is only in this true, but some species of fish are smaller fry, reducing the supply of whitefish that can be caught by rod and reel.

"For 30 years now Michigan has been planting whitefish fry in inland lakes and not taking any therefrom," said Commissioner Baird. "My plan is to have the public domain commission place this department to go into the fishing business; the state to supervise the work and sell the fish to the public at cost."

"The people could buy fish at a cost way below that of retailers. Not only would it be a saving to the consumer, it would mean a saving in the meat supply."

## To Advertise Michigan.

The executive committee of the Michigan Tourist & Resort association of Traverse City, plans to raise the cost of advertising Michigan to travelers and tourists throughout the United States. The association has started a campaign for funds. It has designated the Public Domain as the chamber of commerce of Grand Rapids.

Education Board Elected Officers. Frank Cody, Detroit, was elected president of the state board of education. Fred A. Jeffers, of Palmetto, was made treasurer of the board, and Secretary of the Public Domain was Fred L. Keeley, was re-elected secretary.

The board has appointed Webster Pierce as president of mathematics for the Central State Normal school at Mt. Pleasant. Pierce has been assistant professor of mathematics at the Trieland Normal for several years.

Apparently Michigan farmers were not the ones whose importation led to the loss of farm lands, according to this law as against millions of other states.

Investigation of freight rates as well as passenger tariffs by the commission appointed by Gov. Sleeper seems probable. Michigan farmers have borrowed only \$32,600 under this law as against millions of other states.

Gets Fire Without Heat. The recent outbreak of fire derived from electric energy that will not give off heat is claimed by a French scientist who is keeping the details secret.

Artificial Light. It is quite possible to do successful photography by artificial light. In fact many of the photographers nowadays, employ artificial light exclusively for portrait work, for the reason that it is more dependable and design represents the chief of their strength comes from artificial light. A keen sense of being right drives out all fear. Hence a certain triumph of the defender is controlled by his opponents, even in spite of superior numbers.

Fear Spiritual Weakness. Fear is a spiritual weakness, which may be compared to the nervous system of the body. In other words, it is a lack of spiritual sense of strength. And, as you know, spiritual strength is the result of a certain physical strength comes from spiritual strength. A keen sense of being right drives out all fear. Hence a certain triumph of the defender is controlled by his opponents, even in spite of superior numbers.

# Greenhouses Exemption Rules

PRESSURE BROUGHT TO BEAR BY BIG INDUSTRIES BRINGS RELEASE FOR MANY. RULES BEING KEPT SECRET

Washington—Great industrial interests are bringing tremendous pressure to bear on the government to grant widespread exemptions to the labor employed by them. Chicago packing houses have sent representatives here to present their case, while mining, leather and other industries have made similar representations.

As a result, it was learned, hard and fast rules for industrial exemptions have been drawn. They are being held secret pending appointment of the appellate exemption boards, to which they will be entrusted.

From a forecast of these rules it appeared certain that in some cases entire classes would be exempted. This applies especially to industries engaged in supplying the army. Munitions makers, miners, shipbuilders, shoemakers on government contracts and persons engaged in raising, curing, packing, transporting or distributing food for the army are included.

Especially widespread exemptions will be made to farmers. The demand is for food. Producers of food and health with open ears to exemption boards. The selected army from present indications, will be an army of city men.

## \$10,000,000 SHOE CONTRACT LET

Government Orders 2,175,000 Pairs for Army at \$4.32 a Pair.

Washington—A \$10,000,000 shoe contract was let Tuesday by the government. Twenty-one concerns shared the contract to furnish 2,175,000 pairs of marching and field shoes for the army to cost a total of \$10,237,500.

Among the successful bidders were the Brown and the International shoe companies, St. Louis; Albert H. Weinberger, Milwaukee; J. E. Day, Wichita; J. H. Brown, St. Paul; and the defense council's committee on supplies, headed by Julius Rosenwald. The committee priced itself on the fact that a 10 million dollar contract will not upset the market or cause shoe prices to advance to the average consumer. Deliveries on the big or small lots will commence immediately and end by December 31.

## PEACE IS STILL FAR DISTANT

German Chancellor Says Teutons Will "Fight to Last Gas."

Zurich—Germany must fight to the last gasp. With these ringing words, Dr. von Brüning, in a speech broadcast to the world that peace is still far distant, said an official dispatch from Berlin Tuesday. The Tagliche Rundschau, a Berlin newspaper, said that the chancellor's declaration. The speech was made Monday before the main committee of the Reichstag in the Reichstag building. According to this newspaper, the chancellor's opposition to a policy of no annexation and no indemnities may be the main reason for his declaration. "It is impossible and dangerous," he said. Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg went on to say that "the government is unable to accept socialist proposals because they proved unsuccessful in Russia."

## HALICZ FALLS TO RUSSIANS

Key to Lemberg, Capital of Galicia, in Hands of Slavs.

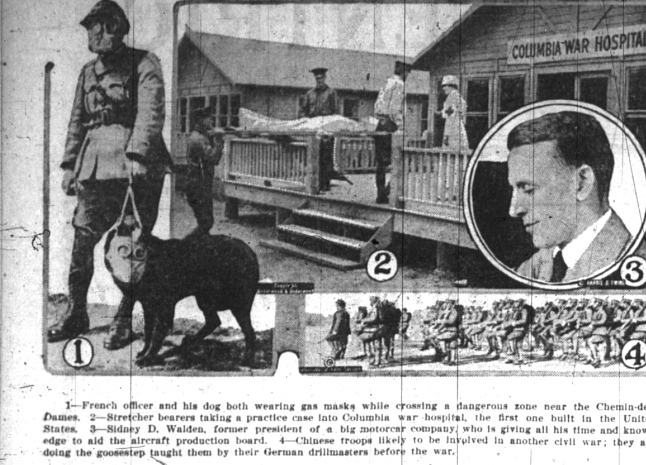
London—Halicz, the strategic key to Lemberg, capital of Galicia, has been captured by the Russians. A dispatch from Reuter's Petrograd correspondent, Halicz, 63 miles southeast of Lemberg, is an important railroad junction. The fall of Halicz was presaged by the success of the Russians in breaking the Austro-German line between the town of Lemberg and Stanislaw.

Halicz is not strictly a fortress, but a strong bridgehead protecting positions of General von Bothmer's army from the east and southeast. It is the key to the Russian and German army of General von Bothmer from the Third Austrian army, under General Karbach.

East Lansing—Baker will have been given extensively in this state the last night of the year. M. A. A. report. An acre will bring \$80 in grain.

St. Clair—Henry Holbert, son of Mrs. E. C. Reeder, of this city, killed his wife, Mrs. Holbert, at Okla., where he was a mining engineer.

Escanaba—Thor Drisheit, a 10-year-old boy, was arrested for stealing a pocketbook, near here, of \$301 in money orders. The lad is charged with taking three letters out of the bag containing the money orders from a drop-box. He gave one to each of two companions and kept one for himself. When he found they were no good, he threw them away.



1—French officer and his dog both wearing gas masks while crossing a dangerous zone near the Chemin-Du-Dunes. 2—Stretcher bearers taking a practice case into Columbia war hospital, the first one built in the United States. 3—Sidney D. Walker, former president of a big motor company who is giving all his time and knowledge to aid the aircraft production board. 4—German troops only to be involved in another civil war; they are doing the goosestep taught them by their German drillmasters before the war.

# NEWS REVIEW OF THE PAST WEEK

## Kerensky Leads Russia's Army in Renewed Offensive on Galician Front.

Work of German Spies in America Resulted in Full Submarine Attack on Permitting Transport Attacking to Return to Petrograd Empire in China.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD. Second in importance to the arrival of the American army in France. In the eyes of the allies, it is the successful resumption of the offensive by the troops of the Russian republic led by the Honorable Kerensky himself, the Muscovite soldiers on Sunday began a fierce attack on the Austro-German lines. In the first two days the Russians drove the enemy out of a triple line of trenches and captured the town of Khatynka and 18,000 men. This great number of prisoners indicating a breakdown of the morale of the Teutonic troops. The fighting continued all week and the losses on both sides were very heavy. The wonderfully efficient work of the Russian army in the preliminary bombardment shows this time the Russian are better equipped than ever before.

Lemberg is the immediate objective of this Russian advance, and at the same time an attack is in progress further north which threatens Kovel. While vast importance attaches to the result of this battle, it is the renewed willingness and even desire of the Russian troops to fight the Teutons that is most cheering to the allies. The army at least on that front is in hand and is better supplied with munitions than at any previous time. All the regiments that took part in the fighting of Sunday and Monday have been officially designated "18th of June regiments," that being the old style date, Kerensky's protest inspired the men to bold unanimous action, the few laggards being punished by being removed from the ranks and sent to the rear.

General Scott, American chief of staff, was fortunate enough to be at the front and to witness the Russian attack from a vantage point. A by-product of the successful Russian offensive was the granting by Empress Charles of Austria of amnesty to all civilians captured by high treason and other offenses. This attempt of the emperor to win all parties to the success of the government, it is predicted, will not succeed in the Czechs, especially are still obstinate, and the opposition is becoming stronger daily.

## Work of German Spies in America.

With the safe arrival in France last week of the last transports of the American expeditionary force, carrying arms and supplies, it was known that the government felt it was the previous sections, carrying the troops, were twice attacked by German submarines. The U-boats were driven off, but they would do any damage, and at least one of them was sunk by gunboats. The successful outcome of the expedition enhances the feat of the navy in transporting the expedition without loss, but the fact that the submarines would attack the transports at the very war zone has aroused the authorities at Washington to the truth that Gerardo Berlin when the expedition was sent to sail and by what route. Secretary Daniels and Admiral Benson were twice attacked by German submarines, who knew the route selected. Admiral Benson, sailing with sealed orders which he did not open until he was out several days. When the expedition was sent to sail, a wireless was sent to our naval base, in command in European waters, to report on the transports, at a specified rendezvous in the North Atlantic. This message was in the navy's most secret and recently revised code.

## SEE REUNION OF NATIONS

London Newspapers Join in Rejoicing Over the Wide Celebration of Independence Day.

The promise given Independence day by the London morning newspapers suggests a renaissance of a true rather than an American anniversary. Besides fully reporting the speeches of (ambassadors) banquet speakers and other things, the principal papers

devote the finest editorials thereto, emphasizing the sentiments expressed by Foreign Secretary Balfour. The Morning Post writes that "the past has been critical of Britain, and that it is the anniversary of our nation," and declares a festival of mankind benefits the German, and that the past has been critical of Britain, and that it is the anniversary of our nation, and that the past has been critical of Britain, and that it is the anniversary of our nation.

Many persons on the Atlantic seaboard know when the vessels sailed, and the information presumably was sent the Berlin by a German agent by wireless in some roundabout way, but how the route was discovered seems to be a mystery.

President Wilson has given orders that the German spy system be wiped out before the first month of the year. In view of the fact that many a Teuton is likely to be interned for the period of the war. Until now the government has been unexplainedly lenient in its treatment of Germans and their sympathizers, in the country generally and in the city of Washington. We are not at war, officially, with Austria, Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey, and the diplomatic representatives and agents of these countries are still free to serve the allies in the city of Washington. The federal press of America also is still unimpaired and continues its sinister campaign against the successful military operations of the German republic. The federal press of America also is still unimpaired and continues its sinister campaign against the successful military operations of the German republic.

German plotters and their friends also are credited by the press with devising and in part executing a plan to cripple shipping on the Great Lakes by sinking or disabling vessels. The federal press is guided by those of the Kaiser, for whose cause they have shown themselves devoted.

While most of the world is waiting for the result of the battle, it is the renewed willingness and even desire of the Russian troops to fight the Teutons that is most cheering to the allies. The army at least on that front is in hand and is better supplied with munitions than at any previous time. All the regiments that took part in the fighting of Sunday and Monday have been officially designated "18th of June regiments," that being the old style date, Kerensky's protest inspired the men to bold unanimous action, the few laggards being punished by being removed from the ranks and sent to the rear.