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RETURNED SOLDIERS DRINK TEA BY TONS

Military Hospitals Commission Have Ordered Fifty Thousand Pounds.

The military hospitals commission have ordered 50,000 pounds of tea to slake the thirst of returned men. There's nothing drier in prohibition propaganda than the convalescent Canadian. He wants tea, good stiff black tea three times a day, and the books in the convalescent hospitals under the direction of the commission are going to be ready for him. The 25 tons just ordered will only last a few months with 118 institutions, some of whom are requisitioning tea in ton lots, to supply. There is no limit put on the tea allowed a

man; he can drink as many cups each meal as he wants, and after long months of measured rations in trenches and the hospitals in England, he drinks as tho he had been raised on salt fish.

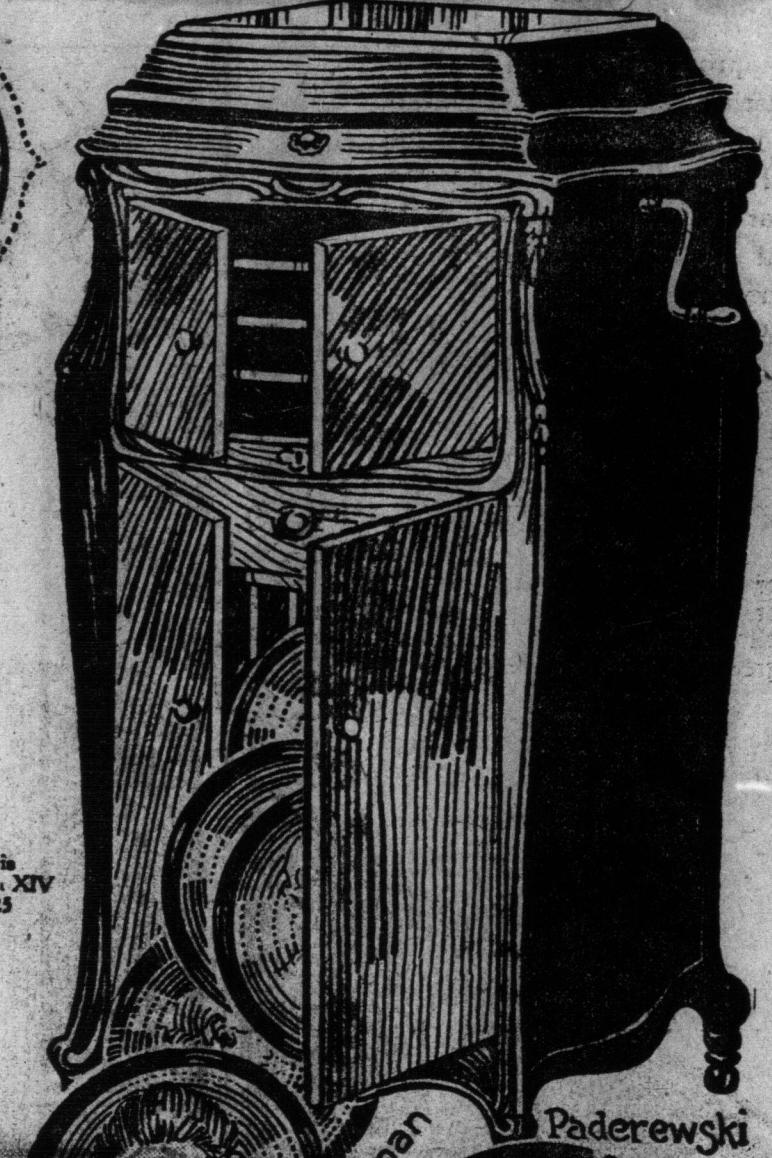
Tommy takes his tea with all "the trimmings" especially sugar. War, instead of weaning him away from his taste for sweet things, has increased his desire for tea.

In one instance where the population grew in such proportions that the kitchen facilities were inadequate for a few weeks, it was put up to the men whether they would have tea or soup for dinner and the vote went overwhelmingly for tea.

THE GEISHA GIRL'S LIFE.

However charming and truly innocent the Geisha may be, her life and the thousand temptations she is ex-

posed to debar her from holding a respectable position in society. She is, in fact, looked down upon with contempt by the general public. In feudal days the Geisha were classed among the Hinin, not humans. It is an unpardonable error to judge the ordinary womankind of Japan by the Geisha. By wit and strange fascination, the Geisha has won a world-wide notoriety, and has so imposed upon the foreign tourists as to make them think that the Geisha are the all Geisha. As a result, the loose morality of Japanese women has been loudly trumpeted throughout the world. Nothing can be a grosser misrepresentation than this. The only equal ladies by that of ballet dancers. One to judge the morality of western and for all let me state for the sake of truth and justice, that the Japanese maidens are as chaste as their western sisters, and the faithfulness of the Japanese wives is indisputable.



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HENRY FORD APPEALS IN DETROIT JUDGMENT

Ruling on Disbursement of Nineteen Million Dollars to Be Fought.

Detroit, Dec. 6.—Attorneys for the Ford Motor Company and Henry Ford, its majority stockholder, today appeared to the state supreme court from the decision which Circuit Judge Bowmer of Detroit recently handed down in the Dodge-Ford suit.

Judge Hosmer ruled that the Ford Motor Company should disburse as dividends more than \$19,000,000 which had been kept for expansion projects fostered by Ford. John F. Dodge and Horace E. Dodge, minority stockholders, brought suit demanding the disbursement of this dividend.

It is expected that the case will ultimately be decided in the United States supreme court.

MADE NO AGREEMENT AGAINST THE VATICAN

Britain Made No Promise to Support Italy Against Holy See, Lord Robert Cecil Says.

London, Dec. 6.—In the house of commons today Lord Robert Cecil, minister of blockade, denied that Great Britain and France had entered into any treaty or understanding to support Italy against the Holy See if the Holy See attempted to take steps toward peace. Asked why no reasoned reply to the Pope's note was made by Great Britain, France or Italy, he said: "The British, French and Italian governments considered no reply necessary beyond that returned by President Wilson."

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BED LINEN A LA MODE.

Counterpanes and Pillow Shams Being Developed in Variety of New Materials.

Counterpanes and bolster and pillow shams are being developed in a variety of new materials and designs. Some are made up in fine corded gabardines, finished along the edges with wide scalloped. A big bow of satin ribbon corresponding in color to the decorations of the room is tucked in the centre of the shams and cover. In other instances three initial monograms occupy this place of honor. In the latter cases large eyelets are often embroidered around the edges and colored ribbon run thru.

Heavier coverings are developed in fine white pique in broad ribs. The edges are turned back with wide hems lined with different colored flowers are embroidered in heavy cross stitch. Stamped in cross stitch patterns representing Mother Goose characters and animals, these last are particularly attractive for the youngsters' room.

The woman who is fond of crocheting and has plenty of leisure may make a very lovely linen set for her bed out of strips of heavy white linen sewed together with pieces of flat insertion and edged with lace. If more elaboration is desired, the linen may

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SLIGHT WITHDRAWAL OF LINES OF ITALIANS

Rome Reports Strong Teuton Attacks and Berlin Claims Capture of 11,000 Prisoners

Rome, Dec. 6.—After fighting all day, the Italians withdrew their lines from the slopes south of Monte Castelgomberto to the Foga spur, on the northern front, the war office announces.

On Monte Fior and Monte Castelgomberto some Alpin, the statement says, perferred defense to the bitter end to retirement.

The enemy took advantage of his gains of Tuesday between Monte Castelgomberto and Monte Badonacco, says the statement, and carried the engagement to its highest pitch in an effort to take the formidable bastion Meletta di Gallio from the rear.

He had to give up this effort, however, and make a frontal attack, giving up ground only foot by foot and retiring to the rear line only when support troops had been brought up to hold it.

The text of the statement reads: "On the Asiago Plateau beginning at dawn yesterday the battle was renewed with violence. The enemy, benefiting by the advantages gained the previous day between Monte Fontanafredda and Monte Badonacco, brought the action up to its fullest extent by order to carry on the assault on the formidable bastion of Monte Castelgomberto-Maletta di Gallio, which effort he had to give up after attack frontally."

"The fighting continued fiercely the whole day from the slopes south of Monte Castelgomberto to the Foga spur. The ponderous effort of the enemy, carried out with crushing numerical preponderance, met with stubborn resistance and numerous counter-attacks by our troops were defending the Meletta strong point, ground being yielded foot by foot. Only when the rear line defenses was being garrisoned by our men was the order given to withdraw to this line."

"On Monte Fior and Monte Castelgomberto some Alpine troops, which had remained isolated, preferred, in the eventuality of an uncertain retirement, a glorious sacrifice and an heroic defense to the bitter end."

"A powerful enemy attempt to carry our defenses in the upper Brenta Valley was repulsed with heavy losses."

Claims 11,000 Prisoners.

Berlin, Dec. 6.—The London "Evening Standard" reports that 11,000 Italian prisoners have been captured by the Austro-Germans in their new offensive on the mountainous front of Northern Italy. It was officially announced today by the German war office.

DISCOURAGE FRATERIZING.

London, Dec. 6.—A Russian official communication issued yesterday says: "Enemy attempts at fraternizing in the region of Mikalovsk were prevented by artillery, and similar efforts on various sections in Bukovina were answered by fusillades."

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