

British Ex-Officers

ANXIOUS TO LIVE AS SOLDIERS OF FORTUNE.

Hundreds of British ex-officers are seeking new fields in which to fight. British soldiers of fortune promise to be as common on the continent as they were in the days of the Thirty Years' War.

Russia at the present holds out the greatest attractions for the adventurers. After north Russia come Estonia, Poland and Czechoslovakia. All foreign governments engaged in small wars or in licking their armies into shape are offering posts to demobilized British officers.

On the books of the Russian Embassy are the names of more than 100 officers who have volunteered to serve. The demand is for those with technical knowledge who can act as instructors. At the moment the only front to which the Russian Government is sending officers is to north Russia, so recently evacuated by British forces.

Shipping facilities are surrounded with difficulties, but they are being obtained. On that northern front, before the British left, the Bolsheviks sought to lure British officers to their service. A pamphlet was issued offering them large salaries.

Russian authorities are still considering the matter of pay. As the matter is arranged at present British officers, excepting in case of flying officers, will receive the Russian pay of their rank, which in most cases is hardly more than \$50 a month. The Estonian Government has engaged several officers to conduct aerial operations and their pay is even higher than in the British air forces.

The drawback is that the adventurer is paid in the currency of the country for which he fights, and it may or may not be redeemable in future years. North Russian Government rubles, until the British forces left, were guaranteed by Great Britain. The currency of Gen. Yudenich and of the southern armies in Russia was hardly in the same category, but chances of redeeming their money are not deterring the seekers after war.

Poland is newly arrived in the field of competition for foreign officers and positions as instructors are being offered to demobilized British officers. The monthly pay is at the rate of 800 marks for a captain and 600 marks for a lieutenant. Thirty days' leave in England a year and assurance of medical care and assistance are included in the conditions. The Polish War Office has opened a special department at Warsaw to deal with the affairs of foreign officers.

A visit to the Czechoslovak Legation in London reveals that twenty ex-officers of the British army have applied to Prague for service in the Czech army. The trouble with all foreign governments at this moment is their lack of ready funds, but that is an old story. Soldiers of fortune were continuously impetuous. South America may provide a better field for the adventurers. Mexican armies have had and still have many British officers fighting for them.

Hard to Dislodge the Turk.

Just now the fate of the Turk seems to be trembling in the balance. Britain, and probably the United States, would remove the Sultan's throne from Constantinople to some spot in Asia, thus ending forever the dream of a Mohammedan conquest of Europe and at the same time hinting to the world that the "Sword of Mohammed" has lost its sharpness. For long the rule of the Turk over subject races has been disgraced by wholesale massacres, and it would seem a wise thing at this juncture to haul down the Crescent in Constantinople and send the Turk back to Asia to rule over his own people, and no others. But France, lover of liberty, is protesting. She fears that if the Sultan be banished from Constantinople she will have trouble with the millions of Mohammedans in her colonial possessions. But Britain has really more to fear than France from this source, and in any case, with the blood of 1,000,000 murdered Armenians still reddening the earth, it is hard to see how it is possible to justify the continuance of the Sultan's red-handed rule over millions of Christian people. It is high time that the blood-stained Crescent ceased to fly over the ancient city of the Straits.—Atlantic Leader.

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Fads and Fashions.

There is a reversion to tubular underwear of linen and batiste. The dull colored jumper in divetyn or jersey slips over the head. Tailored dimity blouses and the latest tailored nets are also favored. Millinery boasts every shade of blue from dark navy to electric effects. Braids combine with crepes and wools and make charming sports hats. Waxed black taffeta ribbon appears at neck and waist of new gowns. Chestnut brown straw, with pink quills is a recent Paris idea for a hat. A dominant note in color schemes and designs is of Oriental inspiration. The green feather fans are usually chosen in direct contrast to the gown. Ribbons are promised a tremendous vogue in both millinery and dress-making.

One elaborate opera cloak is lined with cloth of gold veiled with rose chiffon. Street dresses and suit skirts are still short, though evening gowns are longer.

An exquisite blouse of rose point lace is worn with a black chiffon velvet skirt. Semi-formal and formal lace gowns have an important place in the resort outfit.

Hand-wrought motifs, borders and traceries of wool, floss and tinsel are seen on costly blouses.

The popular "woolies," those chic frocks of knitted materials, are very smart as to material and color.

One very attractive tea gown boasts a tulip capelet with softly tinted artificial grapes at the neck band.

An ultra-smart gown is of novelty tricotette with tinsel threads woven with the fiber.

Mainly About People.

Elizabeth M. Barry is the first woman to be appointed clerk of a court in New York. When it became possible for a mere woman to mingle in politics, Miss Barry started right in to mingle with the best of them and soon found herself a member of the Tammany Hall executive committee. Her appointment as clerk of the Fourth Municipal Court with a salary of \$3,000 followed.

Professor John Adam Scott, professor of Greek in the Northwestern University of Illinois, believes as President Taft is among the great Americans, but had the fault of taking men into his confidence, who used him to their own advantage. President Wilson makes no confidant. The professor believes a combination of these two men would be a boon to the world.

The wife of Charles de Struve, principal tenor of the Norwegian National Theatre in Christiania, is the daughter of the former Norwegian prime minister, Professor G. F. Hagerup. She was studying music in London when she met the big blond Norwegian. "My father was Ambassador to Sweden when I told him I intended to marry," she says, "and he came to London to give his parental congratulations."

Major-General Sir Newton Moore, K.C.M.G., who is in Canada as representative of the British Advisory Board of Dominion Steel, is a powerfully built man of rather more than average height, with vigor stamped in every movement. General Moore finds the winter weather in Canada something of a change from that to which he has been accustomed, especially as it followed closely on a recent trip to South America. The British financier is an Australian by birth, a former premier of West Australia, and a member of the British House of Commons. He is one of the colonials who have made their influence felt in the mother country. He believes strongly in the development of inter-empire trade and is most optimistic as to the future in this regard.

Hannah Jane Patterson, a precedent breaker. That is to say she is the first woman to become assistant secretary of war in the United States. Pittsburg is the home of Miss Patterson, says Marden's Magazine. She was born in that city in 1879. Her father is a prominent Pittsburg coal operator. After finishing the public schools of her home city, Miss Patterson entered Wilson College, Chambersburg, Penn., from which institution she was graduated, with high honors, in 1901. Civic work, particularly child-welfare and the establishment of a juvenile court in Allegheny county, Penn., consumed her first few years after leaving college. From 1912 to 1915 Miss Patterson served as chairman of the suffrage party in Pennsylvania. Her administration in that state attracted such wide prominence that she was prevailed upon by the National American Woman Suffrage Association of New York to serve as its secretary during the year 1916.

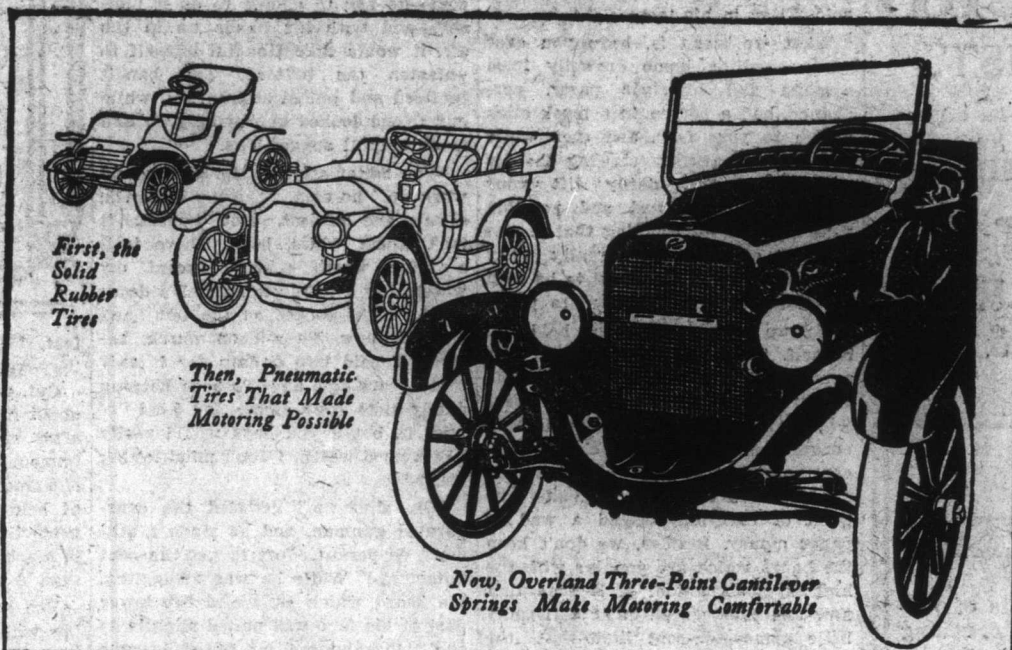
Rougemont the Fakir.

The famous Louis de Rougemont is reported seriously ill in a London hospital. For some years now he has been lost sight of, and the world supposed him to be dead. De Rougemont first astonished the world in 1898 with his narrative of thirty years among the aborigines of Australia and adventures in the South Seas. He was hailed as the modern Robinson Crusoe, a man whose real life was more romantic than the fiction of Defoe. Members of the Royal Geographical Society went to hear him lecture. He even read a paper before the British Association on the Anthropology of the Australian aborigine. None doubted him until he made one important slip. He wrote in his history about flocks of flying wombats. As the wombat keeps to the earth, and does not venture into the air, questions began to be asked, and finally De Rougemont was bowled out as a "pooft merchant." And now the poor old fakir is dying at the age of eighty-five.—Atlantic Leader.



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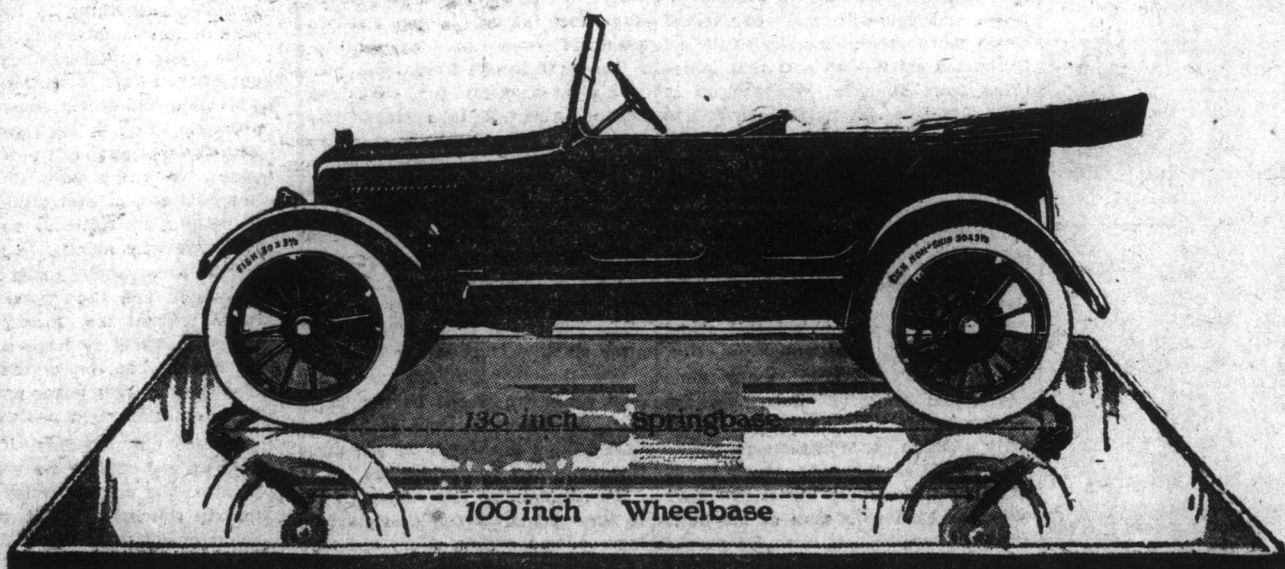
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the men wear their hair long and the women wear their hair short, and a man would feel eccentric and be so regarded by others, who failed to follow the fashion of wearing the wing-bone of a buzzard, or perhaps an ornamental stick, pierced through his nose. They proved a friendly people to the explorers, and made no hostile demonstration with the thick sticks, sharpened by fire, which serve them as weapons, and they attracted admiration by their physical development, their agility and the remarkable degree to which they had developed the sense of sight and hearing. All in all they seemed a happy sort of people, fond of their children, with whom

the men spend a good deal of their time playing games, which on examination are discovered to be educational, according to local ideas, and therefore oddly suggestive of the kindergarten in more complex communities. A roving people, their homes in wet weather are temporary shelters somewhat like the teepees of the North American Indians. And sometimes, one regrets to add, they eat their enemies.

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SHE KNEW THE SIGNS.

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The Boston Globe says: "Ernest Brown, a fisherman, when the vessel he was on, the 'Ganee,' had a hole torn in its bottom on the Plymouth Rocks, wrapped himself in sails and old clothes and forced his body, to the waist, into the hole, stopping the leak for four hours while the boat was being towed into a harbor."