

New Shell is Invented for British Navy

London, May 2.—(British United Press)—The new armour piercing shell of sixteen-inch calibre, invented by Sir Robert Hadfield, of Sheffield, is regarded as one of the most important developments of the art and science of warfare since the armistice.

One of the tragic discoveries of the battle of Jutland was that the British shells could not pierce the armour plating of the German battleships. It was for some time thought that this was due to some defect in the fuses but it has since been made abundantly clear that it was due to poor penetrating power of the shell itself.

In the Hadfield shell, penetration takes place before explosion with the result that the explosion is now able to take place in the magazine of enemy ships. This discovery, however, has drawn fresh attention to the relentless but quiet competition that is going on among the nations in competitive naval armaments. The work is being done steadily but the activities of each power are known to the agents of the others. For it is known that France has developed a new type of cruiser-destroyer which will be capable of running down and sinking with ease the ten thousand ton cruisers that are now being built in America, Japan and Britain. Japan has retaliated with a new type of cruiser which is fighting power and speed is more formidable than any modern cruiser afloat of corresponding tonnage.

The experts point out that this construction and developments have reduced the fighting value of most of the British cruisers while some politicians are demanding a new naval conference to control this new race in armaments fearing it may lead to another war. The British navy is determined to keep well ahead of its rivals.

Meanwhile the air experts place their faith in the defence of the Empire by air and it seems inevitable that the issue of airships versus battleships will have to be fought out and discussed with the same intensity as in the recent American controversy.

At present the air service is the Cinderella of the defence services and its importance is not yet fully realized.

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Frogs and Snails French Delicacies

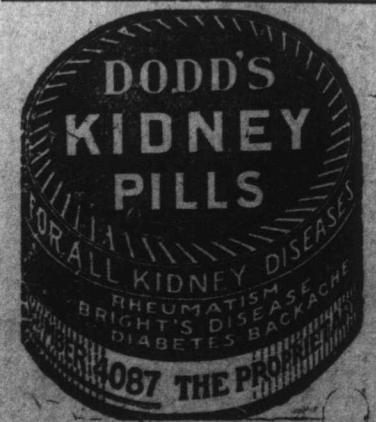
BRITISH RESIDENTS IN FRANCE OFTEN GET MARKED LIKING FOR THESE.

Frogs and snails, the two items of French cooking which are so often looked upon with suspicion by British visitors to France, are now at their best. British residents in France often acquire a marked liking for these delicacies, and I have many friends whose first request when they return to Paris on a visit is to be told where they can get a good dish of snails or of frogs.

The edible frog as prepared for cooking is a most tasty-looking morsel, and few people on seeing half a dozen of them neatly skewered together would guess their origin. Only edible frogs of an adult age are chosen from specially preserved ponds mainly in the Normandy country. They are carefully skinned and prepared, only the hind legs being retained. Either fried in butter or cooked in a white sauce, they taste like the finest breast of chicken and have not the faintest fishy flavor.

The preparation of snails, the consumption of which in Paris alone reaches over ten millions a year, is a long task. There are two varieties, the big white snail, known as the Burgundy or vine snail—which was introduced to France by the Romans who considered it a delicacy reserved for the very rich—and the small common or garden snail. The big white snail is still comparatively dear, costing about 2s. a dozen, while the garden snail is sold at less than half that price.

The snails, once they have been collected, are left for ten days or so to starve, and they are then most carefully washed. The snail is taken from the shell, cleaned, and replaced in the shell with the butter sauce which gives it the unique flavor. This sauce is made of pure melted butter, with which is incorporated a small amount of garlic, chopped parsley, and other tasty herbs.



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THE BROADWAY HOUSE OF FASHION

"A STORE FOR EVERYBODY!"

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Snails are served piping hot, and the French restaurant-keeper provides a quaint-looking nickelled clip, with which the gourmet holds the shell while extracting the contents with a special snail fork. Though the white Burgundy snail is fairly large, it is not out of the way for a snail lover to dispose of three dozen at a meal.

Strength of British Army

The strength of the British army on October 1, 1924 was 447,495, 19,024 officers and 427,465 men, according to information just received by the Bankers Trust Company of New York from its British Information Service. There were 215,343 officers and men in the regular army, 88,942 in the army reserve, and 102,804 in the territorial army. The new recruits received during the year amounted to 30,508. Northern Ireland continues to be the most fruitful recruiting field, and, next London and Birmingham.



Keeps Baby's Skin Healthy Prevents Chafing & Eczema
Dr. CHASE'S OINTMENT

With the object of providing for the requirements of certain arms and branches of the regular army, for which the army reserve does provide, the army council during the year completed arrangements for the formation of a supplementary reserve.

The other category consists of men, who are not required to perform any training in peace in view of the fact that their employment on mobilization will be identical with their civil employment. This category is recruited by the regular army.

Men enlisting in either category are liable to be called for service in any part of the world.

French Population Statistics

France's population last year increased by 72,216, according to the latest official statistics issued by the

French Ministry of Labor and transmitted to the Bankers Trust Company of New York by its French Information Service.

Births, which totalled 752,101 during 1924 fell off about 10,000 as compared with the preceding year while deaths, at a total of 679,885, on the contrary showed an increase of 13,000. The number of marriages during 1924 totalled 255,923 and the divorces 21,023. The total population of France, according to the latest estimates, aggregates 39,209,518.

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Hymns of Homage

There are at present only four tunes, or pieces of music, at the first notes of which every Briton stands bareheaded in token of respect, although Scotchmen are agitating for a fifth. It goes without saying that the first is the National Anthem.

Then for more than a century and a half it has been an unwritten rule at performances of Handel's "Messiah" for the audience to rise to its feet at the first strains of "The Hallelujah Chorus" and remain standing till the last note.

Another composition by Handel



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which brings everybody to their feet is "The Dead March in Saul." Few people remain seated whilst this solemn march is being played.

Since the inauguration of the two minutes' silence on Armistice Day, "O God, our help in ages past" has become the national hymn, and as it is played or sung immediately after the silence no one ever moves, replaces his hat, or sits down until the hymn is finished.

Now the Scots wish to have Burns' immortal "Scots Wha Hae" recognized as the Scottish National Anthem.



Relieve That HEADACHE Gently Rub With MUSTEROLE

The Funeral of Napoleon

(Dec. 15th, 1840.)

Upon the banks of Seine, the sun

His slow, unyielding course began,

And o'er the Imperial City glared

Cast far his radiance as he moved

High.

Yet a strange stillness brooded

the air—

Pressing—sign, most ominous

drum.

And hark! the sudden clang of

ing-bell!

The tower of Notre Dame gives

a knell;

And from the mouth of guns the

swelling boom

Announce the victor's passage to

tomb.

Hark! o'er the unwonted silence

erred round.

Comes as of an advancing host

sound!

Like to the tempest muttering

war.

Ere 'gainst St. Helen's coast the

in froth.

When on it comes again with

pace,

With foaming lip and trembling

face;

Then forth the mighty

streaming train

Pours onward to the glass

strain—

From the high Arch of Nevers

they pour

To the famed warrior's rest where

is o'er.

See the vast moving concourse

bright o'erhead,

Standards on standards to the

are spread!

And faded banners, drooping

air,

Show dark and stained, like

ers weeping there

Colors that over fields trim

new.

Now o'er their prostrate

waved adieu.

Lo! eagle-crowned and garlanded,

ed, the car

Moves stately with the burial

of war!

Midst waving plumes of chieftains

it goes

To the great shrine where the

dead repose,

While riderless, and age-worn,

there

A charger follows sad the

warrior,

Which proudly once to war his

borne.

Now follows him to mourn, like

fate o'er.

Far from the tomb, mid

sparkling foam.

For one more grand the

comes home.

Lo, he hath left lone vale and

tree.

To sleep in France mid

chivalry—

In wondrous tomb with valiant

ers there,

A gallant fellowship in death

share.

Room shrine of victors! For the

make way!

'Tear him ye spectators! and

obey—

'Tis, mightiest chieftain of a

war,

'Tis rest among you from his

car.

Now sturdy veterans with

horns

To see the grave close round

gather near:

Survivors they of other days

of war.

When the great Eagle's flight

wild and far—

Who marked how once earth's

best monarchs shook

At his dread stormy voice and

look—

Brave men who panted in the

strife.

On Rodrigo's red ridge when

was rife—

Men who beheld dark Egypt's

And, marvelling at Time's

therein hid.

Whilst scanning all from base

nadle.

Heard, thundering loud, a

natural—

Men!—from yon pyramid's

height.

Four thousand ages mark

you fight—

Victors whose flags o'er

proudly flew.

And some who stormed the

Waterloo.

But now the last deep knell

him rung.

And the loud thundering

requiem sunk.

Laid low mid banners

there.

In mouldering state and

silence dear.

O, may he rest in slumber

Until that day when, Time's

Warfare o'er,

Ye must come forth and stand

mighty Judge before

CHARLES

Christening Countess

There is an interesting legend concerning the manner in which the Countess got her name. Spanish

were the first, so far as is known, to visit the American shores in

of booty. In the north they

country's disappointing. The

sterile and unyielding. The

were heard by the natives, the

frequent use of the expression

nada," meaning "it is better"

noted that after giving

their dissatisfaction they

departed to another place!

When the French

gathered on the scene, the

raved on the shore and

nada," hoping to drive them

French took this to be the

country, and they called it