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GIRL BORN BLIND NOW ABLE TO SEE

Ottawa, July 7.—As a result of the visit to Ottawa of J. M. Hickson, an Anglican layman who has earned for himself recognition as a "healer," one young girl afflicted from birth with blindness can see, and several other cases of physical ailment and disability have been reported cured or on the way to recovery. Mrs. J. E. Hodgins, 1,068 Bronson avenue, Ottawa, who had been subject to epileptic fits for eleven years, is reported as absolutely recovered and Mrs. Frank B. Jacques, 1,119 Bank

street, is reported on the way to recovery, after having suffered a nervous breakdown as a result of pain from a growth on her left eye.

CONTROL OFF.

London, July 6.—The shipping controller today announced the virtual removal of control over all shipping, including limitations on freight. The new rule will be effective from July 15, although formal licenses still will be necessary.

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PRETTY FRENCH MISS AWAITS FIANCE

Lieut. Durrell Noyes Figures
in Pretty Overseas Romance

(Bangor Commercial)

Mlle. Suzanne Etienne of Paris is in the city, the guest of Mrs. Herbert F. Monaghan on Norway road, who is an aunt of Lieut. Durrell Noyes of Philadelphia, formerly of Winter Harbor, whom Mlle. Etienne is to marry the coming autumn, when he returns from his duties with the American Relief association, in the department of the fund for European Children, in the chief office in London.

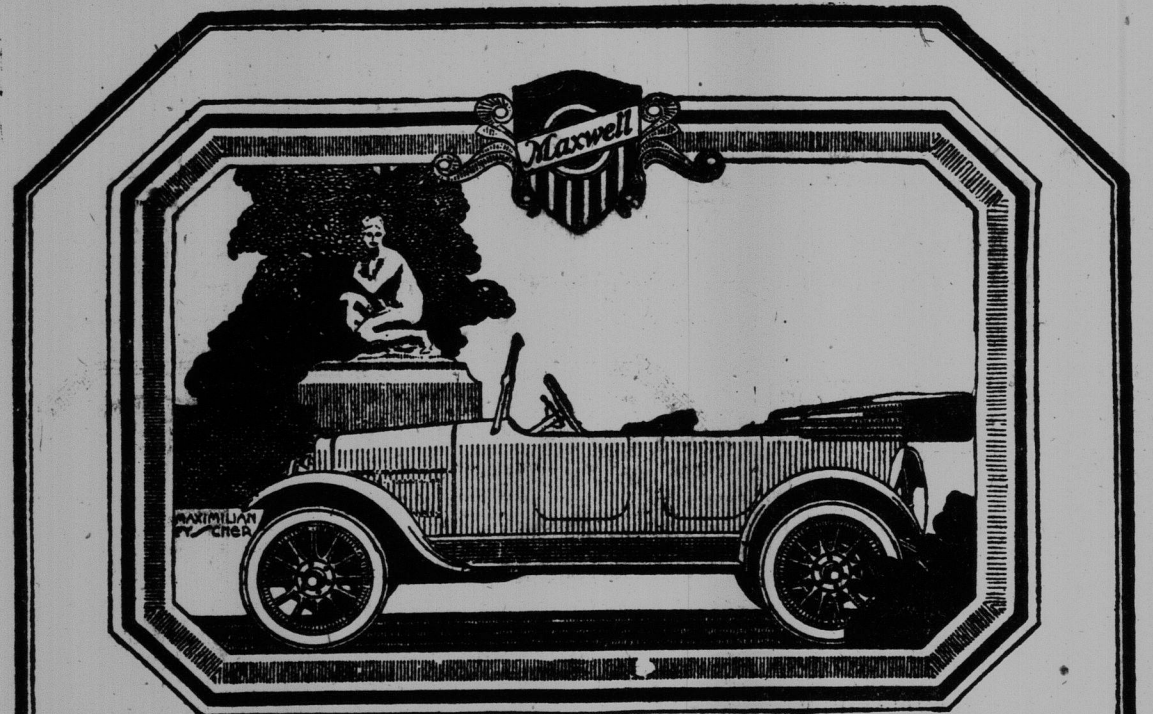
Mlle. Etienne arrived in this country from Poland last spring, having come to New York to meet Lieut. Noyes' mother, Mrs. M. M. Sumner, a sister of Mrs. Monaghan, in response to her invitation, received by her son and his fiancée in Warsaw on Easter day, for the young Parisian girl to come to America and stay with her until the wedding.

Lieut. Noyes was a freshman at Bowdoin when he entered the service.

Mlle. Etienne is a Parisian and four generations of her people have been Paris born. She learned stenography early in the war with the idea of doing emergency work in the business world bereft of young men for the ranks of the French army in that terrible year of 1914. Her first work was in Paris with the American Air Service Headquarters, and when the armistice came she was transferred, because of her ability as a linguist and her mastery of shorthand to the American Relief association, the chief of which was then Herbert Hoover.

It was in Paris that Mlle. Etienne met the young American naval officer, then of Wyoming, who went into relief work after the war was over. War had brought its duties to both of them and peace continued the programme, separating them for a time, though, at Easter, Mlle. Etienne, who had been at Trieste for a short time with a commission on relief investigation and Lieut. Noyes, who was then in Lithuania, were able to meet in Warsaw, each traveling about the same distance in order to be away from their respective duties a shorter time. It was on Easter Sunday that Lieut. Noyes received a letter from his mother sent from his own mission to Warsaw by an American courier, and this letter was the first one he had had from her in many weeks, mail service having taken the letters astray.

"And that letter," says the lovely little French girl, "was such a wonderful letter, each an invitation to me, so invitingly written, that I made up my mind to give up everything else and travel straight to the American woman who wrote it. I did so and I cannot tell you



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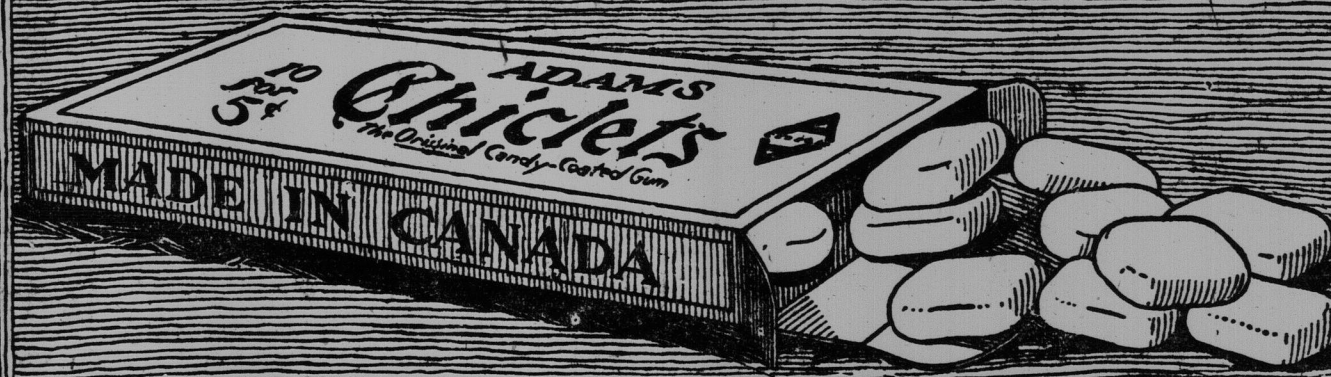
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Mlle. Etienne speaks interestingly of life in Paris before, during and after the war. Paris has changed its American politics, she says, and they are beginning, too, to understand many things, to see various points of view in regard to America. Her experience has brought her into touch with the great people of the war, of all nations. She has, of course, seen Foch many times, and the great marshal beloved of France is her pride as it is her country's, one notes, as she speaks his name. And, by the way, Mlle. Etienne is pure Parisian in accent, in culture, and in charm, even to the tips of those fingers which turn the keyboard of a piano into enchanted

ground; and in that pronunciation, which in its purity convinces even those who cannot know, that it is perfect the name of the great leader of "l'armee" in the great war, is pronounced almost as Foch, with the long o as in joke, though, of course, that gives no idea of the manner in which Mlle. Etienne can say it. She is but twenty-two years old, this young French visitor who likes America so well and who is so apparently ready to like everyone that she has instant liking in return, and she has seen much sadness during the war. Her sister, five years her junior, suffered mental shock and resultant death by an explosion of grenades in Paris. Her father died, but a few months ago. Her brother is a French officer in the army of occupation and is still in Germany. Her duties as a stenographer in the great war give no idea, merely told in a list of countries through which she has traveled, but as she talks of Fiume, Trieste, Vienna, Paris, London, Warsaw, one must needs be dull, to feel no answering response to the spirit which lights her lovely face as she tells her story, a story of how a slip of a girl has met privation, sorrow, and, finally, happiness.

GERMANY AN EXPENSIVE COUNTRY

Berlin, June 14.—(Associated Press Correspondence).—As a result of the steady rise of the German mark, foreigners are discovering that for them Germany is now perhaps the dearest country in Europe. And as the mark strengthens prices continue to rise. For several months German hotels have been forcing foreigners to pay from

100 to 200 per cent more than natives are charged. Many shops also make a practice of milking foreigners, some bakers in Berlin charging sixty cents, American, for an ordinary white roll.

Newspapers, learning of the great influx of American tourists to England and France, are beginning to wonder if the extortions of shops and hotels will have the effect of keeping the Americans and other foreigners out of Germany.

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