ENGLAND FOUGHT USE OF TANKS IN WORLD WAR

So many celebrities have claimed to be "the inventor" of the wonderful tanks that played so great a part in PREVENTIVE the winning of the war that even most people have put hazy notions Reports of Scattered Cases of Inconcerning the origin and development of the weapon so dreaded by the German soldier.

Now Sir Albert Stein has lifted the veil and has told the story of how missioner of Health, has set forth

1914 that the idea of a great land cases of influenza reported in and ship capable of crossing the Rhine about Chicago during the last few Saturday Evenings, October 4,11 and 25 was discussed. Then came plans for a super-armored car, and Mr. the north shore. Churchill became interested. The result of his interest was the appoint- be applied here as well as in Evansment of a land ship committee.

No government department would consent to house the new organization, however, and so Sir Albert, then a lieutenant in the R. N. V. R., took officers himself and thereby made mortal enemies at the admiralty. Mr. Sustace D'Eyncourt was the chairman of the committee, and he had as his chief lieutenants Major Hetherington and Colonel Crampton. Sir Albert Stein was secretary.

So rapidly did the committee work days. that in August, 1915, Mr. Tritton and 3. None other than the necessary known as "Little Willie."

Manufacturers were no more favor- tendance on the patient. ably disposed to the new machine 4. All discharges from the respirain securing the necessary parts.

Sir Albert tells the interesting story of the evolution of the name tank. In 1916 it was suggested that the name "land ship" should be changed for secrecy's sake. Mr. D'Eyncourt suggested "water carrier." In government offices committees and departments are known by their initials. For this reason I considered the proposed title wholly unsuitable, and in our search for a synonymous term we changed "water carrier" to "tank."

"The first tank, 'Mother,' was finished on January 26, 1916, and was tried in Hatfield park.

as assistant secretary to the com- department of public health. mittee of imperial defense, was interested with the task of raising and are properly observed, other occutraining a corps to man the tanks. pants of the premises who show no The first tanks were sent to France evidence of influenza need not be in September, 1916, and were in ac- confined to the premises. It is tion seven months after the order for recommended, however, that persons them had been given."

Tommy's impression of the tanks ex- far as possible from attending pubpressed in a letter to his family. Here lic gatherings and avoid unnecessary it is:

"They can do up prisoners in bundles like straw binders, and, in addition, have an adaption of a printing machine, which enables them to catch the Huns, fold, count and deliver them in quires, every thirteenth man being thrown out a little farther than the others. The tanks can truss refractory prisoners like fowls prepared for cooking, while their equipment renders it possible for them to charge into a crowd of Huns, and, by shooting out spokes like porcupine quills, carry off an opponent on each. Though 'stuck up,' the prisoners are, needless to say, by no means proud of their position. . . . They can chew up barbed wire and turn it into munitions. They turn over on their backs and catch live shells in their caterpillar feet, and they can cient Rome are, the Palatine, the easily be adapted as submarines."

tanks in action the war office was by Viminal. no means favorably disposed toward the new-fangled weapon, and an order for a thousand tanks was countermanded.

Then followed a dramatic incident. Sir Arthur went at once to Mr. Lloyd George, then secretary of state for war. He declared that he had heard nothing of the instruction. "I told him,' 'says Sir Arthur, "that I could not stop the order now. He could cancel my appointment, but he could not possibly get me to cancel the order.

"Sir William Robertson, chief of staff, then appeared, and Mr. Lloyd George told him that he could not understand how the order could be concelled without his knowledge. Next day the order was restored."

Sir Arthur's troubles were not over, however. His fight with the war office was to go on. How bitter that fight was is shown by the fact finat three generals demanded his dismissal for presuming to press for more and more tanks. Sir Arthur and his colleagues won the dayand helped to win the war.

Not Much.

The Romans' Thanksgiving was dedicated to Ceres, goldess of the harvest. It "was a day of worship and rustic sports." Times haven't changed much! -New York Telegram.

OFFERS SOME RULES

Evanston Health Commissioner Gives Advance Warning Which North Shore Might Observe

MEASURES

fluenza Leads To Action On Part of Health Authorities

Dr. C. T. Roome, Evanston Comthe tank was born, and of the uphill the following health rules close adfight with the authorities which was herence to which, he is certain, will necessary to secure its adoption. In have the effect of successfully combatthe course of a striking article in the ing a possible return of the terrible September Strand Magazine, Sir Al- Influenza epidemic, which claimed bert traces the history of the land an appalling toll of victims last fall Klever Klub Dance bert traces the history of the land an appalling toll of victims last fall and winter.

It was at a supper at Murray's in There have been some scattered weeks though none were reported on

The following rules might readily

All cases or suspicious cases must be reported at once to the local health department by the physician or any other person having knowledge of a known or suspected case.

2. Any person afflicted must be isolated at once in a separate room; the period of isolation continuing during the course of the disease and until all clinical manifestations have disappeared and the temperature has been normal for three consecutive

Lieutenant Wilson had ready a full- enter the sick room or come in consize model of a tank afterward tact with the patient. The attendant should wear a face mask of gauze Then came a series of setbacks. or other approved design when in at-

than the admiralty and war office had tory tract, mouth, throat and nose of been, and there was great difficulty the patient should be received in cloths and the cloths burned immediately after using, or put in vessels containing an approved disinfecting

5. Any person suffering with symptoms simulating influenza such as fever, headache, backache, sorethroat, or severe prostration should remain at home until it seems reasonably evident that the case is not one of influenza. We would suggest that anyone suffering from the above set of symptoms should call in the family physician in order to make sure.

6. No case of influenza shall be removed from the premises on which found unless consent to such removal be first obtained from the local "Colonel Swinton, who was acting health authorities or from the state

7. When the foregoing precautions residing on premises on which a case Sir Albert tells a good story of a of influenza exists should refrain so contact with other persons. Visiting on such premises is strictly prohibit-

> 8. Upon termination of the case the premises occupied by the patient shall be given a thorough cleansing,

airing and sunning. 9. No children will be allowed to go to school from a home where

there is influenza. 10. During the last three months of last year, Evanston alone had over 2,800 cases of influenza reported with 150 deaths. Everything in our power should be done to try to prevent a recurrence of the terrible conditions that obtained at that

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Pride at Root of Mistakes.

I have been more and more convinced, the more I think of it, that, in general, pride is at the bottom of all great mistakes. All the other passions do occasional good; but whenever pride puts in its word, everything goes wrong, and what it might really be desirable to do, quietly and benocently, it is mortally dangerous to do preudly.-Ruskin. .

Unele Eben.

"A whole let of whut dey calls sports," said Uncle Eben, "consists in gittin' into a powerful fret over sumpin' dat dey wasn't no particular necessity fur."

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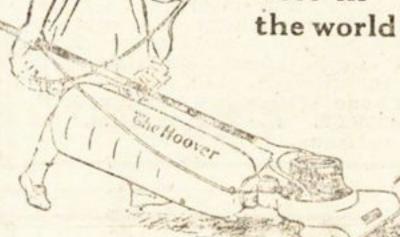
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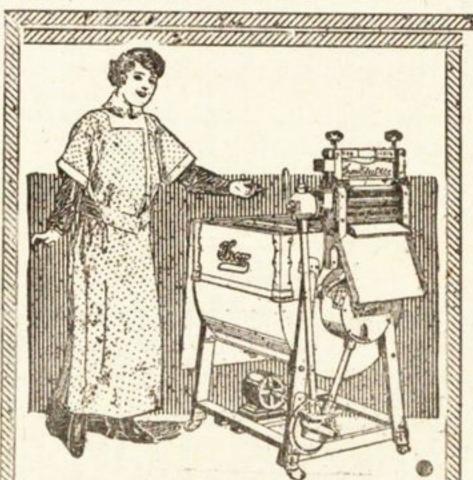
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