

General Pershing and his staff visit the French Aviation Camp at Le Bourget Aisne. Here is the latest type of French Farman airplane that mounts a powerful searchlight. Note the three electric signal flashlights attached to the lower plane. Also note the wind propeller of the electric wireless generator on the lower plane to the right.
French Official from Pictorial Press.



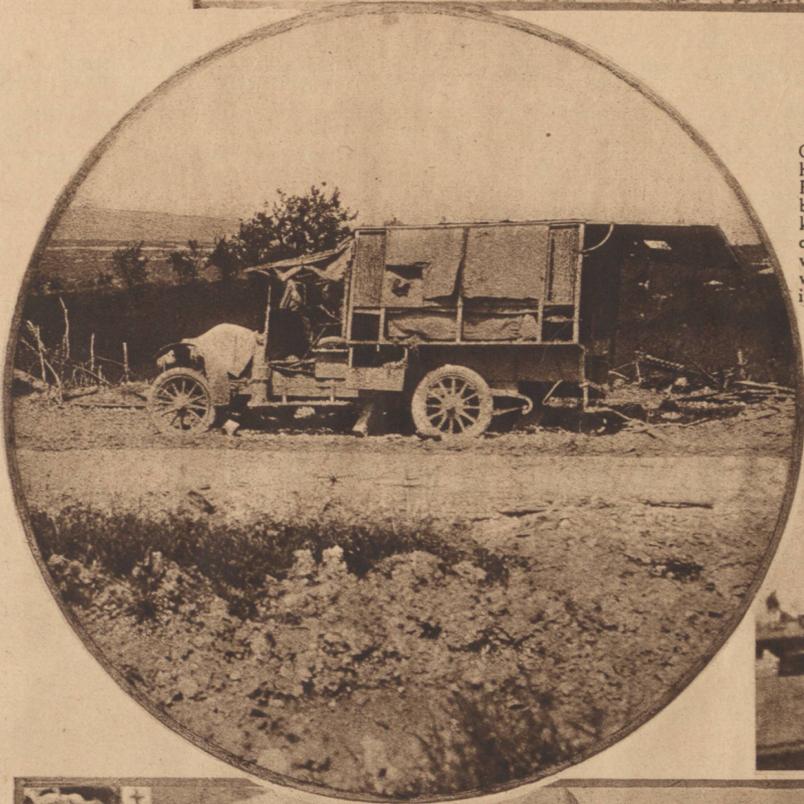
Above—A French spherical observation balloon ready for an ascension just back of the lines. The observation balloons in use by the U. S. are sausage shape and popularly known as "blimps."
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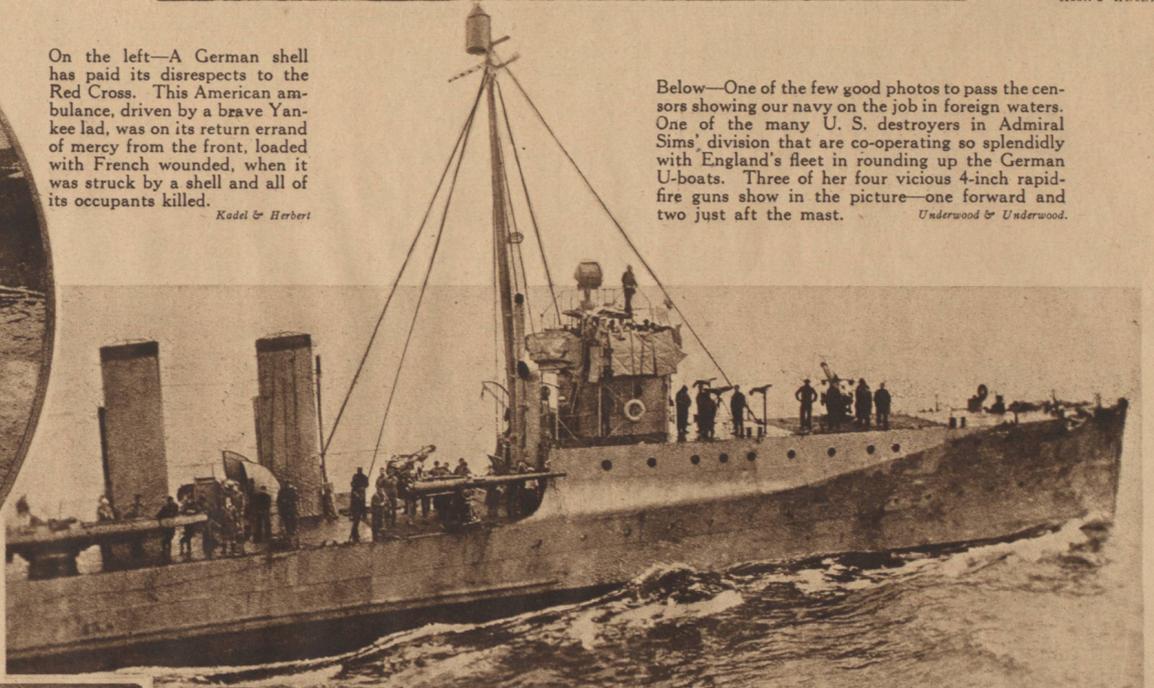
A French poilu on sentry duty at the entrance of his bomb-proof dug-out. Because of the Germans' incessant deadly gas attacks, the protecting mask must be worn almost constantly.
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On the left—Though strangely reminiscent, this isn't a painting of Napoleon's retreat from Moscow, but a photograph of French troops returning from the front line trenches to their more comfortable billets in the rear.
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On the left—A German shell has paid its disrespects to the Red Cross. This American ambulance, driven by a brave Yankee lad, was on its return errand of mercy from the front, loaded with French wounded, when it was struck by a shell and all of its occupants killed.
Kadel & Herbert.



Below—One of the few good photos to pass the censors showing our navy on the job in foreign waters. One of the many U. S. destroyers in Admiral Sims' division that are co-operating so splendidly with England's fleet in rounding up the German U-boats. Three of her four vicious 4-inch rapid-fire guns show in the picture—one forward and two just aft the mast.
Underwood & Underwood.



On the left—Leather in France these days is not only quite scarce, but very expensive. Here is a French poilu "scalping" a great pile of Hun helmets for their leather straps.
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On the right—Midst the ruins of Verdun Cathedral, so ruthlessly destroyed by German shell fire, stands, apparently charmed and unharmed, the statue of a praying nun.
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