

and most things are fairly cheap, excepting clothing, especially shoes, which are very dear indeed. How I wish the war would end soon."

The nurses working with the French in the zone of the Armies have many interesting and some harrowing experiences to relate. One who has recently returned to this country tells that in one hospital where she was stationed Taubes were frequently overhead, particularly at night. The hills round were fortified, and the enemy tried to attack them with cannon.

In another hospital, in the invaded regions, which was a general hospital before the war, there were divisions for old men and old women, orphans and civil patients. It was staffed by

by German surgeons. One for whom an abdominal operation was urgently necessary, said the Germans had killed her husband, had taken away three of her children—no doctor of that nationality should touch her. There were also many cases of amputation of limbs for children who had picked up unexploded bombs, which had exploded and caused great injury.

The German trenches in this locality were very elaborate; electric light and water were laid on, baths were fitted in the officers' quarters, which were also comfortably furnished—the furniture including pianos and arm-chairs covered with red plush. There was every indication that they believed themselves installed there to the end of the war.



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nuns, and the Mother Superior received the Croix de la Guerre for her services. When the Germans took the town in 1914, they took the hospital for their own wounded, and made the nuns do the work. There were English prisoners there also, who, later on, were sent to Germany.

When the Germans recently evacuated the town, they took all they could with them—the pipes of the organ out of the church, sheep, pigs, furniture; and almost every young girl, as well as six of the youngest nuns.

There were many urgent operation cases awaiting treatment by the French surgeons. What wonder that some of the poor women elected to go untreated rather than be operated on

Nearly 2,000 officers and other ranks of the United States Army Medical Service are now at work in the British war zone. Six big British base hospitals have already been taken over.

The United States is known to us as the land of the Almighty Dollar. A Red Cross campaign to collect a hundred million dollars (£20,000,000) resulted in a yield of £16,000,000 in six days! So keen is the rivalry between the various cities that the stupendous sum asked for was soon oversubscribed. The sick and wounded are a magnet which is irresistible—gold just gravitates towards appeals made upon their behalf.

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