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HOUSEHOLD

Stew for the Children.
Put one pound of flank of
lean mutton into a stewpan with
two sliced onions. Brown nicely
and pour in two pints of boil-
ing water. Cover and stew gen-
tly for two hours; add one tea-
cupful of rice and a seasoning
of salt and pepper. Simmer
again for about an hour, or un-
til the rice is tender.

Clear, unthickened gravy is
the best for all simple roasts.
Pour away the fat from the
roasting pan and reserve it for
future use. Add a small quan-
tity of boiling water to the pan
and with an iron spoon rub
down any glaze or meat juice
which adheres to the sides. Boil
for two or three minutes, add
salt to taste, and remove any
grease from the surface with
kitchen-paper. Strain a little
of the gravy round the joint and
serve the remainder in a sauce-
boat. If a large quantity of
gravy is required, a little stock
may be necessary.

Savory Vegetable Pie
Wash and peel one pound of
potatoes and cut them into
thick slices. Boil two eggs
quite hard, slice them; cut a
Spanish onion into slices. Ar-
range a layer of potatoes at the
bottom of a pie-dish, then one
of onions and eggs, then another
of potatoes till the dish is
full. Pour in a cupful of stock.
Cover with pastry, and bake in a
hot oven. This makes a good
savory dinner without meat.

Scotch Shortbread
Four cupfuls of flour.
Four cupfuls of powdered sug-
ar.
One and one-half cupfuls of
butter.
One tablespoonful of cinnam-
on.
Three eggs.
Butter and flour are rubbed
together; then powdered sugar
and cinnamon are added. The
well beaten eggs are then mixed
in, and the dough is rolled
out and cut into round cakes.
They require only a few min-
utes' baking in a quick oven.

Oatmeal Cookies
One cupful of rolled oats.
One cupful of flour.
One-half cup of sugar.
One-half cup of chopped nuts.
One-half cup of raisins.
One-half cup of butter.
One-half teaspoonful of soda.
Three tablespoonsful of milk.
One egg.
The butter is rubbed until creamy,
then sugar and well beaten egg are
added, and the whole beaten thoroly.
Milk, oats, flour, soda and other in-
gredients are mixed in, then rolled and
cut in fancy shapes with the cookie
cutter.
A kind of cookie which can be made
very quickly.

Disease Germs In
Zeppelin Bombs
London, Nov. 19.—The high
rate of mortality among persons
injured by bombs thrown from
Zeppelins at first caused the belief
that these bombs contained poisons.
Now, according to the Daily Mail
surgeons suspect that the bombs
are impregnated with disease
germs.
The Daily Mail quotes an un-
der surgeon in a hospital where
40 persons were injured in the

last raid were treated, as saying
that the death rate was at least
five times as high as would be ex-
pected among patients wounded
equally severely in battle or ac-
cidentally.

"In practically all the cases"
the surgeon continued, "a germ
causing rapidly fatal gangrene,
which is very rarely met with in
ordinary hospital practice has been
discovered by the hospital bac-
teriologists. Patients who have
received the best treatment treat-
ment afforded by a modern hospi-
tal within ten minutes after being
injured have suffered a much
higher death rate than soldiers who,
after receiving wounds of the
same severity, have had to wait
twenty-four hours before being
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"Enquiries are being made to
determine whether Italian bac-
teriologists have found the same
germs in the wounds of those in-
jured in the recent raid on Verona.
If this rare gangrene causing
germs is found there also, it will
be pretty strong evidence that the
bombs were deliberately impreg-
nated with one of the deadliest
varieties of disease worms known."

China May Join Entente
Allies
Washington, Nov. 19.—Great
Britain, France and Russia have
united in an effort to add China to
the entente alliance, in order to
prevent possible friction in the
future, between Japan and China
and to preserve the peace of
the far east. If China agrees to
the plan, military participation in
the present war is not expected.
Negotiations so far are in a
conversational stage at Peking,
with no indications as to China's
attitude. Although the United
States is being informed its dip-
lomatic representatives at Peking
and European capitals are refrain-
ing from participation.

Bad Boy Heroes
Of The War
(London Paper)
One result of the War has been
to show the innate sterling quali-
ties of thousands of boys too lightly
termed bad or even criminal by
those who have little real knowl-
edge of boy nature. In his an-
nual report, the Chief Inspector of
of Reformatory and Industrial
School says:—"The very quali-
ties of mind which, perhaps, have
caused the young slum-dweller to
steal and to find his way to a
reformatory may be just the
qualities that go to make the
courageous, unselfish, cheerful
soldier. In these lads the refor-
matory schools have had the mak-
ing of some of the finest soldiers
of our time. In eight months
1,457 boys were enlisted into the
army and navy direct from the

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schools, and 2,684 boys on licen-
se or under supervision. Up to
March 31, 530 had been killed in
action, 40 died of wounds, 13 died
from sickness, and 1,530 had been
wounded. No fewer than 20 had
been mentioned in despatches, 25
awarded the Distinguished Con-
duct Medal, eight have been
given commissions, and three
awarded the Victoria Cross. The
schools are now being organized to
assist in the production of munition-
aries."

Rooting Out a Whole People
A writer in the New York Out-
look says the German authorities
are systematically rooting the civil
population out of those portions of
Northern France occupied by Ger-
man troops. They are profes-
sionally doing this to remove the people
from the danger zone of war, but
the writer believes it is being done
in preparation for the planting of
German settlers in the conquered
country. The people removed are
being sent via Switzerland to
Southern France and their condi-
tion is most pitiable. They are
without proper clothing, pestered
with vermin and have been deprived
of homes and property. The
French Government is supplying
fresh clothing to the refugees on
arrival in Switzerland.

Soldiers' Wives Appeal
For Recruits

Ottawa, Nov. 17.—A novel
method of securing recruits was
inaugurated by the 77th Battalion
and the Soldiers' Wives League of
Ottawa to-day when the wives
and children and female relatives
of Ottawa soldiers now at the
front participated in an automo-
bile parade through the city.
Every car bore banners with mot-
toes such as 'My daddy is in the
trenches—where is yours?' and
'Our fathers, brothers and hus-
bands are 'doing their bit'—what
about yours?' The 77th is en-
gaged in filling up its ranks, de-
pleted by recent drafts.

A little French patrol boat,
with a crew of ten men, captured a
schooner in the Mediterranean,
with 48 Turks on board.

A despatch to the New York
Sun says the Suez Canal has been
closed to merchant traffic, and
that British warships are stationed
along it, evidently in preparation
for attack.

The London Daily Express says
that since the war began, 14
battleships and battle cruisers of
the super-dreadnought class have
been added to the British navy.

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