

Cooking Under the Ground for British Soldiers

THE life of a British soldier in France is not made up entirely of dodging shells and bullets and going "over the top." He spends some time in looking out for the inner man. For he has learned that a soldier does not fight well on an empty stomach and that properly cooked food is essential to efficiency.

Food can not be safely prepared in positions exposed to the fire of the Germans. The cooks might be driven away from the stove by the concentrated fire of machine guns at a critical period in the broiling of the meat.

Therefore the underground kitchen was built. It has many of the conveniences found in the home of the careful housewife and some features which her kitchen does not possess. For example, the food from the underground kitchen shown in the accompanying illustration is brought to the surface of the earth by means of a windlass.

This kitchen is located in a bomb-proof subterranean chamber and although the Germans raked the surrounding sections with shells and bullets, the culinary arrangements of the British remained undisturbed. After the Germans had retreated the British received the food that had been prepared.

The picture at the right gives a good idea of the construction of the underground kitchen with its dumbwaiter.



British soldiers hauling up food from an underground kitchen



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These cleverly camouflaged miniature warships made a great hit during the Liberty Loan campaign in Boston

Miniature Warships Aiding in Liberty Loan Campaign

ONE of the many interesting features of the last Liberty Loan campaign in Boston was the use of miniature copies

of a torpedo boat and of a submarine on the Charles River basin. Both ships were manned by United States sailors and attracted considerable attention by their camouflage coloring. The torpedo boat, towing the submarine, cruised back and forth in the basin, while large crowds from Boston and Cambridge lined the banks and cheered the oddly painted craft. From time to time the miniature warships ran up close to the bank and the crews sold Liberty Bonds from the deck.

Of all the devices used in the Third Liberty Loan campaign this was the most novel, inspiring and appealing.