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PATRIOTIC COMMITTEE GIVES UNIQUE SERVICE

Extends Hospitality to the Visiting Relatives of Soldiers at Fort.

Many Exclusive Homes Are Thrown Open to Guest Strangers.

Mothers, wives, sisters, sweet-hearts and daughters who come to Omaha to visit their soldier boys at the Fort find elaborate preparations for their welcome, entertainment and comfort in accommodations provided under the auspices of the War Camp Community Service.

A committee of members of the North Side Mothers' club, headed by Mrs. George E. Begerow, is responsible.

The patriotic purpose of the Housing committee of this women's club is to find suitable accommodations at a reasonable price in good homes for the visiting relatives of soldiers stationed at Fort Omaha.

No Slacker Homes. There are no slacker homes in the north part of Omaha. A warm welcome is awaiting the visiting stranger in every one of more than a hundred rooms on the committee's list. A loyal hostess in each instance is proud to share her home with the relatives of the country's fighting men.

The list provided by the committee includes more than 100 rooms, several furnished houses and a large number of light housekeeping apartments. These places are nearly all located within walking distance of Fort Omaha and Florence Field.

The work has been under way since last June and a great number of visitors have been made welcome in these homes, treated as guests and have returned to their own homes happy in the knowledge that they had found true friends and real hospitality in Omaha.

The first visiting relative housed by this committee was a mother from Maryland, coming here to visit her son at the fort. She had an enjoyable time and made a host of friends. A young lady coming to visit her soldier sweetheart found a welcome and a hostess who acted as chaperone during her entire visit.

The service rendered by this committee is a novel one, something that is being attempted by no other organization. They have induced owners of homes in the north part of the city that have never before taken in lodgers or boarders to throw open their doors to visiting relatives as a patriotic act. Many costly and attractive homes are made available, in some instances a patriotic impulse, causing the owners to offer hospitality gratis.

A maximum of service and a minimum of charge is insisted upon by the committee. Any indication of profiteering results in the immediate dropping of the address from the list. Mrs. Begerow makes a personal inspection of all rooms or apartments offered and personally vouches for their desirability before placing them on the lists at the War Camp Community office and the Red Cross information desk at the Union station.

Big Peace Rumor Rouses Everyone

Citizens of Omaha and soldiers of Fort Omaha were excited into a frenzy Thursday afternoon by the circulation of a false report that an armistice had been signed with Germany.

It was declared that the war was over and peace within sight. The report was strengthened by the news that strikes and revolutions were feature events in Germany.

In the city thousands of men and women paraded the streets with flags, drums, horns and bells. They sang and shouted as they marched through a drizzling rain.

Major P. E. Van Nostrand Executive Officer



Major P. E. Van Nostrand is the executive officer of Fort Omaha. He was commissioned from civilian life into the regular army in 1903. He was a newspaper editor. He is a graduate of Iowa State university.

At the outbreak of the war the major was on the Mexican border with the Twenty-eighth Infantry. Early in the summer of 1917 he was sent to Kelly Field, commissioned captain and assigned as adjutant under Colonel Charles E. Teyman.

Kelly Field then was a prairie. Major Van Nostrand directed the

work of preparing nearly 100,000 men for overseas service during the nine months that followed. In December Kelly Field was the largest aviation center in the world, with a personnel of 50,000 men.

He came to Fort Omaha in May and was graduated from the balloon school soon after.

While at Kelly Field the major took flying instruction and is a junior military aviator. He also is a free balloon pilot, having made several free flights.

The major took interest in and made the publication of the Gas Bag possible.

3 New Balloon Companies to Be Formed at Fort

Three new balloon companies are being formed at Fort Omaha. Organized at present as skeleton companies, active recruiting will be commenced and they will be filled, probably from fresh draft increments.

Officers in charge of the 81st Balloon company are: Lieuts. R. S. Walton, B. M. Murphy and E. S. Kessler, Jr. Lieuts. B. W. Holmes, H. E. Schellberg, and H. M. Hine, have been assigned to the 82nd Balloon company, while the 83rd Balloon company will be in charge of Lieuts. R. G. Simmons, C. F. Smith and A. R. Weigle.

Three Fort Omaha Boys Will Enter Officers' School

Private Wilbur S. Mellinger, who has been in charge of the recruiting office at the post hospital for the past year, left Thursday for Louisville, Ky., where he will enter the training school for artillery officers at Camp Zachary Taylor.

Two other boys from Fort Omaha, Private Frank Chandler of the medical detachment, and Private John J. Rinehart of the Seventy-fourth Balloon company, are awaiting orders to proceed to the same school. Both have successfully passed examinations.

FIRST FOOTBALL GAME

The Fort Omaha eleven will make its debut for the season on Saturday afternoon, November 9, when it is scheduled to clash with the University of Nebraska team on the gridiron at Lincoln.

Official action of the schedule has been obtained and there is no chance for another default to the "flu." Everybody should be on hand to give the local aggregation a snappy initial send off.

Memorial Service.

A memorial service in honor of the men of Fort Omaha who died during the recent epidemic of Spanish influenza will be held on the post parade ground Sunday, November 10, at 10 o'clock. At this service the entire commands of Fort Omaha and Florence Field will be present.

Lieutenant Sanders, post chaplain, will give the memorial address. Music will be furnished by the post glee club.

ENLISTED MEN SHOULD LEARN BALLOON TERMS

By R. A. Baker.

The very first thing a student in aerostatics should learn is the balloon language. Men who are up in the balloon profession today, are the men who know practically every part of the balloon by its technical name. To get into that class you must become efficient and you must be both technical and practical.

Do not use "its" and "thats" in

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Says Young Girls "Vamp" Soldiers From Fort Omaha

WEATHER FORECAST FOR WEEK END

Fair and cool weather Friday, followed by cloudy and unsettled weather Saturday or Sunday, with rising temperatures. Moderate, to fresh northerly winds, becoming variable and shifting to southerly Sunday.—Meteorological Service.

Capt. J. L. Travis New Post Surgeon Out at Fort Crook

Captain John L. Travis, M. C., has been appointed post surgeon. He succeeds Major E. L. DeLaney, who was transferred to Fort Des Moines, Iowa.

Captain Travis was commissioned in November, 1917, and called to active duty in June, 1918, at which time he came to Fort Crook. He is the oldest medical officer in the post at the present time and has been in the fort longer than any other officer, with the exception of Major Hamilton.

He is a firm believer in cheerfulness, thoroughness and helpfulness. He always looks on the bright side of a proposition. His two main hobbies seem to be hard work and the collection of antique firearms. In his latter hobby he has succeeded wonderfully, and the first thing he tells you is that his collection is the largest and best in the state of Ohio.

Captain Travis is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University and Miami Medical College. He is a member of some very prominent clubs in Ohio and is very fond of all sports. He is an excellent shot.

The new surgeon has practiced medicine and surgery for twenty-eight years and has been in military life since he was sixteen years old. He graduated from the military academy "Class A and Distinction."

Kountze Family Is Now 100 Per Cent in Red Cross Work

Luther L. Kountze has resigned his position as vice president of the first National ban kof Omaha to devote his entire times to Red work.

He will head the new conservation department of the Nebraska State Red Cross.

The work outlined for this department includes the national campaign for nut shell and fruit pit collections for the manufacture of gas masks, and the saving of kid gloves and other leather goods for materials the manufacture of vests for aviators overseas.

The Kountze family, prominent in Omaha society, is now 100 per cent Red Cross. Mrs. Kountze is commandant of the Omaha Red Red Cross canteen corps; the son, Harkness, is in training for a position as Red Cross ambulance driver, and the daughter, Miss Gertrude, has been an active participant in all Red Cross activities.

CHANGE OF SECRETARIES AT FORT CROOK Y. M. C. A.

L. A. Tripp, religious and educational director of the Y. M. C. A., left us this week for Indianapolis, Ind., where he will enter "Y" work in a larger field.

Mr. Tripp was one of the most popular secretaries ever stationed at Fort Crook. His everlasting interest in the boys made him a friend to them all, and it is said that he had more influence over the men than anyone here.

The new assistant secretary, who is temporarily in charge, is Guy W. Bisland. He has just entered the army "Y" work. Mr. Bisland is an advertising copy writer and left a well-paying position to take the training at Chicago, Ill.

Head of Welfare Board Says Boys Are Not to Blame.

Morals Agent Sends Girls Home Who Are Found Flirting.

By Ned E. Williams.

Soldier boys from Fort Omaha are gentlemen, according to T. H. Weirich, superintendent of the Omaha board of public welfare.

In discussing the relations between girls of the city and the soldiers, Mr. Weirich stated that he has rarely received reports to indicate that the conduct of the boys is anything but mannerly.

The superintendent accused young girls of "vamping" the lads in khaki. This alone, he said, is responsible for conditions which require the attention of the Public Welfare workers.

"The younger girls flirt and tempt the soldiers," said Mr. Weirich, "in the scores of cases which have come under my personal observation it has been demonstrated that, almost without exception the girls have made the first advances."

"I have yet to note a specific instance where the boys are wholly to blame."

Boys Won't Be Vamped. "I witnessed an example of this just last week. One of a trio of girls stopped on the street to tie her shoe lace, plainly for the purpose of permitting a group of soldiers to pass them. One of the lads accidentally brushed against the girl and begged her pardon like a gentleman."

"The girls tittered and smiled and gave the boys every opportunity for advances. I am glad to say that the soldiers paid no further attention to them but walked away. Too frequently the boys respond to temptations of this sort. They are all human."

"I saw another similar incident the other evening on one of our downtown corners. Two girls deliberately stopped to wait for a pair of soldiers who were half a block away. They giggled and flirted as the boys approached and the quartet was soon 'stalled' on the corner."

"I was obliged to send the girls home, since they were very young. The boys were mannerly in their attitude toward me and continued about their business with no attempt at rudeness."

A new officer has been appointed by the Welfare board. The sex and identity of the agent will not be

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K. C. Stages Three Programs for Boys

After four weeks of quarantine regulations the building was open on Friday evening, November 1. About 600 men were present at this opening party. The post band furnished a very snappy entertainment. Immediately following the concert three bushels of walnuts and 1,000 apples were distributed to the soldiers.

On Sunday evening, November 3, Mrs. Captain Bernstein sang for the boys at Florence Field in the K. of C. building. Mrs. Bernstein is a very accomplished singer and her program was indeed a delightful musical treat.

Al Wright's Musical quintette from the Henshaw hotel played to a full house in the K. of C. building at Florence Field Monday evening, November 5. Mr. Wright has a very clever organization and he put on a program that had some "sting" to it.

The Knights are very glad to resume their entertainment activities and they have some good things in store for the boys this winter.

ORGANIZATION NEWS

POST HOSPITAL. O. M. LAMBUR.

The following named men have been promoted from privates to privates first class: Anglin, Birkett, Cian, Capesius, Danielson, Davis, Draeger, Erlandson, Hesketh, Killingsworth, Lindaman, Newcomb, Pelare, Peterson, Plomondon, Ponzio, Standeven and Jack.

The following transfers have been effected: To Medical Detachment, 49th Balloon Company, Sergeant Redmond, Private First Class Clifford, Privates Andrew and Axel Anderson. To Medical Detachment, 53d Balloon Company, Sergeant David D. Williams, Private First Class Kiner, Privates Adreon and Rathbun. To Medical Detachment, 50th Balloon Company, Privates First Class Windhorst and Buehler, Privates Donnell and Dowden. To Medical Detachment, 60th Balloon Company, Private First Class Pester and Private Porter.

The medics regret exceedingly the loss by transfer of Sergeant Edward W. Hermansky. He has left for Washington, D. C., for course of instruction at Army Medical school. The best of luck for success goes with him from the medics.

One of the Air Service men wanted to know whether or not he could be transferred to the Medical Department. When asked what reasons he had for wanting the transfer, he replied: "Since being on detached service with the Medics I have had seven Christmas dinners." Cook Jenkins is the responsible party.

Sergeant Bristow has passed out of our class. Made his debut in society at a musical the other night. We are glad that we have one Medic that can "bust" into society.

To Medics at Fort Crook: Why ask for a chance when there is none? If you have it in you, come out with it.

BALLOON HOUSE. R. A. BAKER.

Pvt. Mahoney, has a unique profession. He is a basket maker and is considered one of the best in the country. At present he is working with the engineering department on plans of his design for a more efficient type basket for balloons.

Private "Jimmy" Bedwell has returned from his honeymoon and he did not forget his friends at the balloon house, either, for "Jimmy" was on the job with the cigars. That's "Jimmy," all over!

Private McGrath, on special duty here, is back on the job. "Mac" had a very severe case of the influenza.

Free ballooning was out of the question during the disagreeable weather of the past week.

Parachute folding has been added to the riggers' course. Appointment to the parachute class will be made by R. A. Baker and those assigned will report to Corporal Moore for instructions.

Private Harkrader, who finished the riggers' course and was then assigned to special duty here, has been transferred from the 74th company to an overseas company at Florence Field.

The balloon construction and repair school has resumed normal activity after four weeks' idleness, made necessary by the influenza.

Private Singer has headed the call of the Glee club for members.

Private Siegler, who was assigned here on special duty for several months, has been transferred from the 74th company to an overseas company at Florence Field.

Lieutenants Marshall and Hersey have been here for the past week, on aircraft inspection work.

Mr. Smythe, of the Connecticut Aircraft company, New Haven, was here last week for the interest of his firm. He was accompanied by his sister. Both Mr. and Miss Smythe took great interest in the many aerostatic devices in the balloon house.

Private Parrish has returned from a five days' leave of absence, granted him because of serious illness in his brother's family.

Experiments with a new type rip-panel patch are now being conducted.

Private Nauss has been transferred to the 53rd company at Florence Field. He expects to go overseas soon.

MOTOR TRANSPORT CORPS. Harold G. Bell.

Chauffeur Lennie Savoy has returned from Mississippi.

Chauffeur Charles Rossiter will be back Thursday from California. Charlie only had five days, but leave it to him to get another five days.

Cinder Bill is furnishing cinders for the Fort Crook road.

Sergeant Casper still has his detail after the tank. He will have to join the Tank Corps.

The garage office is now all lit up with a new sign "Motor Transport Corps."

The garage men are policing until a late hour every day.

Chauffeur Eugene Tripp received a suitcase full of chicken and jam and the boys had something to eat that night.

The big gas tank that we are putting in for our gas filling station was lying peacefully in its place when along came the rain. When we got up in the morning our tank had risen about eight feet and had gone over the top. It looked like a baby submarine.

The garage men look like a bunch of aviators with their aviation helmets and mackinaws.

We wonder what made Hanks shave last Monday p. m.?

Some one says the paving in front of the 62nd Co., is as smooth as Omaha boulevards.

All of "Cinder"-ella Fluke's drivers, "flu" the coop.

Chauffeur Beggs got up in time for reveille yesterday a. m. He gets an extra cooky for supper.

The Motor Transport Corps now holds the record for height in balloon flying at this post. Lieutenant McEntire, officer in charge Motor Transport Corps was up 16,750 feet in a free balloon, the highest recorded for Fort Omaha. This was Lieut. McEntire's first flight as a pilot, also his first solo flight.

PERSONNEL OFFICE. S. Vorzimer.

Two men from this office, Davis and Vorzimer, have been called for examinations for commissions.

Cpl. C. A. Davis has been very busy answering all the correspondence he received in response to his advertisement in last week's Gas Bag.

The trade test board sure does keep us busy tabulating qualification cards.

Some class to our pay clerks, going to spend the day at Fort Crook.

We have only twenty-five company rosters to make up and submit to Washington.

47TH BALLOON COMPANY. M. E. Herskind.

Sergeant Spiesberger left last week for Camp Grant, Ill., where he will attend Central Officers' Infantry Training school.

Privates Bell and Wilson are away on furloughs. Private Bell will report back to O. I. T. school at Camp Pike, Arkansas, as a cadet for officer's training.

We have just purchased some of John McCormack's songs for our Edison phonograph, and we have a real opera all of our own every night. Just turn your ears towards No. 4 barracks and get in on some of the music.

Private Glenn Wyer received an extension to his furlough, and will not report back to his company till November 16, 1918.

Private Gust M. Peterson, now on furlough, reports that six of his sisters and brothers are ill with the "flu" at Alliance, Neb.

Cook Allis is back on the job in the kitchen. "Red" looks very well, and we are all enjoying his meals.

Cook Donathan "Slick" reports that his bride of a few weeks has left Omaha for Chicago, where she will work for the Imperial-Campbell Wall Paper company.

Privates Barta, Benton, Franke, Stockton and Wright left Friday with the telephone men who are doing repair work out in western Nebraska.

50TH BALLOON COMPANY W. O'Neil Goodwin.

Corporals Ramsey and Melady have been transferred to the Infantry Central Officers' Training camp

at Camp Grant.

Sergeant Storm is visiting the "home folks" in Billings, Mont.

The recent examinations for sergeants, first class, produced one for this company, Frederic E. Steward.

A number of our men were transferred recently to help "fill up" the 46th, 49th and 53d.

Corporal Jorgenson has been called home by the illness of his mother.

Now we can boast of four medical men. Privates Windhorst, Donnell, Dowden and Buehler reported for duty this week.

Our recreation room looks like business with barber busy, tailor trimming, games going, pool progressing and telephone tinkling.

Private Miller, who has been confined to the hospital for the past month, is on a ten-day recuperative furlough.

Every time we see a load of lumber our spirits rise—maybe it is to board up our tents.

53D BALLOON COMPANY.

The 53d Co. is a happy one. The prospects to get east, if not clear across, look good.

Sunday was a bright, clear day, but for us it was darkened by the cloud "restriction." Still we must stand something for the privilege of going "oversea."

Ruby is a good friend of ours, but none of us have asked to be sent to keep him company.

It seems a shame to wear out our good field shoes in this country on "hikes," when we will need them so bad "over there."

There are small possibilities of a "hike" on the train, but we're afraid of "policing up" and K. P.

59TH BALLOON COMPANY W. M. Gomon.

Still hitting 'em heavy here on the hill.

Sixty-five men have been transferred from this organization during the past month, most of them going to outgoing companies. The company, however, is gradually filling again with men from the different school companies.

As someone has said: "Our winter will be intense (in tents.)"

The following is quoted from the Manual for Army Cooks: "Soy—A bottled sauce obtained from India and China; composition uncertain." The latter may be said of some of the other mixtures we have served for chow.

One of the men (name censored) walked into a downtown hashery for a feed. After having finished said feed, the soldier gathered up his dishes and started to look for a place to wash them.

An order of 3,000,000,000 cigars for the army. Of course, where there will be smoke there will be some fire.

Pvt. Oliver C. Hughes has been called to his home, Edmond, Okla., on account of the sickness of his mother and sister.

62D BALLOON COMPANY. Jack Murphy.

Ever notice the perfect time that the lower jaw of our barber keeps with the steady click of his trusty excess hair destroyers.

The apples donated by the Jewish Welfare board were appreciated thoroughly.

Did you hear those whispering around the barracks that our office force is about to indulge in those rough games of chess, ping pong and puss-in-a-corner.

The house of Arton and Yarton, dance improvisers, announce that their pupils, Privates Arndt, Morris, Cloeburger and Stanley are progressing shufflingly.

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room has been wholly eliminated since the arrival of the Victrola.

Yes, reveille does come around a bit more quickly since the post has opened.

Frankly, the life of the founder of the non-com's school wouldn't be worth a nickel, should his identity become known.

Got to hand it to 'em, the chow's fine.

Webb and Bedford have made themselves favorably felt among the boys.

Sgt. Buchnell sure has his hands full these days.

63RD BALLOON COMPANY, G. C. Wiedersum.

Howdy, everybody! Everything is fine and dandy, because the "lid is lifted," and the boys are keeping step with the best of 'em again, upholding the reputation of the "Stepping Sixty Third." "Old King" Brady, our tonsorial artist surely did a land office business on Friday and Saturday cuttin' and shavin' 'em off, and the old shoe rag came in for its share of wear and tear.

It is with sincere regret that we learn of the assignment of our commanding officer, Lieut. R. G. Simmons, to the 83rd company, and we wish him every success in his new command. Another officer, Lieut. A. R. Weigel has also left us to assist in the work of this new company, and we extend him our best wishes.

Have you noticed the new garb of our "shofurs"? Look like artic explorers, don't they? Possibly they are some aspirants for "Doc Cook honors, and we want to be prepared in the event if we are sent to Siberia to hunt for a mate for our mascot bear. Speaking of the bear, reminds us that he also celebrated the "grand opening," by going A. W. O. L. for 24 hours. He came strolling in on Sunday as though nothing had happened, but was decidedly lacking in "pep," so he will be given an opportunity to catch up by staying in post for a week, the restriction given him by his master, Sergt. Zuber.

Sergt. J. E. Bolger, our erstwhile editor for the Gas Bag, has been assigned to take the cadet course Good luck to you Jimmy. The last member of the "Rollin' the Bones" quartette has left us now.

Our former "right guide" and "shofur", H. R. Jobst has also forsaken us for the cadets at Fort Crook. Some people are born lucky, and here's hoping your luck has not forsaken you.

Private Burr, who broke the pass record by using just one since June 1st, thought he would try and see how it feels to walk out on your face, and he decided to do so last Saturday. He anticipated bad weather on that day however, and in order to be prepared, went to the supply sergeant and requested a pair of "rusties" and a "snicker" in which to brave the elements.

Sergt. Suttie is as liberal as ever with his "two fer" cigars. We can see now why Private Freitag was so anxious to move into the first squad room, just a few lunks away from our sergeant.

Private Jensen of the compressing room at the Hydrogen plant says he will be compelled to ask for a new cot very soon, as his weight has compressed a deep sag in it from constant occupancy during the quarantine with the other sick, lame and lazy detail. He is happy though, as his favorite sport, snipe shooting has been revived, and he has bagged some big game. His hunting grounds are the west end of the parade grounds.

The boys have certainly had lots of amusement and enjoyment from our victrola in the recreation room. We are looking forward to the arrival of our player-piano, and it will be a tossup as to which is the more popular.

Our new commanding officer, Lieut. A. R. Hebbard surely has exerted every effort to promote the interests of our company, and it is with a sincere appreciation of his work that each individual man is doing his share of work.

Some party! We mean the company Halloween party planned by Lieutenant Peinze. The mess hall was decorated, the piano moved and the lid taken off. The post orchestra rendered a lot of snappy stuff. Several gingery boxing matches showed that the old pep was still with us. "Red" Totman and "Mac" McArdle put on an especially scientific bout. Cider, nuts, 'n' everything were there in quantity.

Corporal Robert Rutherford and Privates Harkrader and Ness transferred to the 49th Balloon company the past week.

Our recreation room is an established institution now and the gang would feel lost without it. Our writing room and reading facilities are good enough for anyone, and the new music keeps the piano as popular as ever. The checker championship of the company will probably soon be decided there. There are several hot on the trail after this honor.

South Barracks surely looked deserted Saturday and Sunday afternoons and evenings. Guess no one missed a bet.

We lost one of our most popular and efficient officers when Lieutenant Kessler left us last week by transfer to the 81st Balloon company.

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ORGANIZATION NEWS

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it did we sure would have been out of writing materials all around.

75TH BALLOON COMPANY.

John O'Flynn.
The "love epidemic" seems to be even worse than the "flu." Corporal Bruckner is our first patient.

Corporal Syder, our chassis instructor, doesn't get enough excitement at the fort, so he tried heading into the Brandeis theater.

"A new formula for oiling clutches," by Private Dunks, 600 W. at all times.

The "flu" affects them in many ways.

Ever since the report came out that cadets had seen bootleggers from the balloon, Beville has had a great yearning to become an observer.

Fernando Barrera celebrated his birthday with a complimentary supper from his friends in Omaha. Barrera had the distinction of driving a truck with Pershing in Mexico when Villa was driven from the border.

T. C. Raley and Meek have become great chums—they trade leggings and wear each other's clothes so that they can have two suits apiece. Atta boy!

Boyd, our new rookie, still wears his pajamas. However, he gets good experience as a rigger because Newberger ties them full of knots.

Fort Crook Notes.

G. A. DELAND.

Lieutenant M. H. Miller of Kelly Field No. 2, Texas, dropped in on us with his plane at 4:15 p. m., Saturday. The lieutenant was on his way to Waterloo, Ia., and stopped to pay his respects to Major Crockett and also stopped in Omaha to visit friends.

Lieutenant Miller left early Sunday morning for his destination. One of his stunts was to wave goodbye with his machine.

Quite a bunch of our boys thought they would like to hear the street cars and be able to eat in a Red Cross Canteen so they all took a notion to beat it to Fort Omaha. They were men unassigned.

There is a certain party in this post who wants a lot of information regarding an airplane, for instance, has the bird got brakes, reverse gear, etc. The Airplane Speaks is quite an information bureau on that subject.

Corporal Cooper in the Personnel Office is getting to be so very busy that he has not even the time to turn around. Wonder why? The entire south has begun correspondence with him. The mail clerk counted eleven different colored envelopes one day and it is not an uncommon sight to see the ambitious young personnel clerk getting a "hot box" on his typewriter, in a frenzied endeavor to answer all the mail.

Ask Chauffeur Hauser of the M. & V. detachment how he likes Hallowe'en. The young man seemed to feel exceedingly ambitious the following morning.

Some of our chauffeurs are going to forget themselves one of these days and try to run a truck or other slow moving vehicle right up into the telephone room.

CADETS.

Quite a number of cadets have pulled their stakes and are now headin' south. Good luck, and don't relax for a minute.

Thompson has quit shaving because his whiskers only grow again. Anyway there is no use, he's in love, and there is a "Class A Allotment" staring him in the face.

General Disorder has been relieved of command of the class

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rooms.
Cadet Carleton Kendall has just reported here from Kelly Field, Texas. Cadet Kendall has been engaged in airplane experimenting for quite some time and is a good authority on planes, etc.
"What's your name" is the phrase that is striking terror to the heart of the hopeful cadet. Each time this trust is made at him he sees his chances of a commission getting slimmer. 'Tis a life of fear for the poor cadet.

MEDICAL DETACHMENT.

The following men have been appointed sergeants: Forrest W. Deardorff, Ronald Crawford, William Milder.

Lieutenant Oscar R. Engleman has reported for duty with the hospital.

Lieutenant Rolland R. Ensor has been regularly assigned to duty with the hospital. Lieutenant Ensor was formerly connected with the infantry organization located at this post.

QUARTERMASTER.

Sergeant Shankin, retired, was taken seriously ill and was operated on for intestinal trouble. It is reported that he is recovering.

Allison has mustered up enough courage to state publicly (in the kitchen where he is cook), that he would be willing to give ten bucks for a ride in the airplane.

51st Balloon Company.

Anticipation is running high now that rumor has it that we will shortly remove to Florence Field. The nature of this eagerness is difficult to define. There is not the slightest suggestion that we are dissatisfied with our exclusiveness out here.

Like all else that is rustic, life here is rather unimaginative and our greatest amusement is to watch "Si" of the grocery store slap his thigh and snort as he tells about some incident concerning an insubordinate doughboy of the Forty-first.

"Si" is an odd character. He sits in a exotic saloon, on an archaic chair, with a ludicrous pretense of sagacity, he murmurs prehistoric platitudes, stirs into being beaded puns and hits the spittoon every time. He has a relentless tenacity and admiration of by-gones. Even this war loses its magnitude before his vision of the "bloody" Boxer rebellion.

Sergeant Hanson returned from his furlough. Mrs. Hanson and the baby remained at Brookings, S. D.

Sergeant Taylor has found two exquisite guards. He told them to go to the supply room and draw belt, bayonet, rifle and ammunition and go down and guard the balloon hangar. One of the boys detailed got cold feet and asked "Sarj, who'er they goin't hang?"
Doughboy Khigyam.

A caravanserai from which light of amber shone,
Disclosed its bright decanters and the spongy foam,
But a finger that forbids is lifted,
And on we tread upon the oozing loam.

LIEUTENANT TAYLOR.

No Bragging.
We must not brag—it's very wrong,
So be it understood
That when we voice a promise strong,
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Y. M. C. A.

One of the most appreciated pieces of work done by the "Y" in the post has been the daily distribution of fruit to the men in the hospital during the quarantine. Several hundred dollars worth of oranges, apples and lemons, furnished by the generous citizens of Omaha and the ladies of the Red Cross, have been thus distributed.

A new piano has been added to our equipment during the past week.

Now that the quarantine is off, we are ready to go ahead with the organization of educational classes. Men interested in shorthand, English, French, mathematics or other lines of study may see Secretary Weed for particulars.

Two new secretaries have arrived during the past week to take charge of the work at Fort Crook. Mr. Smith comes from Fort Snelling and will act as building executive, and Mr. Bilsland of Joliet, Ill., will look after the social and educational work.

Men using the technical books in the sectional bookcase and on the shelves on the north wall will please note that these books constitute a reference library and are not to be taken from the building.

Secretary Booth will spend next Sunday in Iowa speaking in the interests of the "drive" now on for funds.

Secretary Seaton has made arrangements with the city "Y" for free instruction in swimming. If you are interested in joining a class in swimming, see him at once.

THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN.

Commanding Officer (to Smith)
—"Private Smith, you've worked hard and been a good soldier. Here is a thirty-day furlough and \$200. Go home and have a good rest and a high old time. If you get broke or want an extension, just wire me collect."



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**Biggest Game of
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The One Great Social Event of the Season will be the Game at Rourke Park, next Saturday, November 16th, when we play Camp Grant.

The arrangements are all moving along and this will undoubtedly be the big Social Event of the Season. Camp Grant is bringing a strong aggregation, but we have no doubt that with Foch, Span and McKay, and our aggregation of able and fleet-footed warriors, we can smash their line and send Camp Grant homeward bound badly beaten.

This is the WEST and the home of western hospitality, famous the world over, so let's all get out and give the Easterners a rousing big welcome and a mighty big trimming.

Be on hand early to get your seats, as the place is pretty nearly sold out already, and it looks like, at the last moment, we will have to tear down the back fences and build some more stands.

So get the old "PEP" and get in on Cadet Marvin's cheer gang, and let's raise the roof of the "Grand Stand" off the pillars.

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SPORTING - NEWS



Here Is the Crack Eleven Which Represents Fort Omaha

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Creighton Trims South Dakota in Grid Battle Here

South Dakota was unable to score the game at Creighton Field Saturday, November 2, in which Creighton rode away with a 13 to 0 score.

South Dakota made a first down five times, and twice it was due to short forward passes. Quarterback Lynch was just about the whole team for the visitors and once tore through a gap and gained fifteen yards. The other two first downs were gained by straight football.

In the first quarter Creighton had the ball within striking distance of the South Dakota goal three times, but each time the line held and the ball was lost.

Fumbles Cost Creighton.

Fumbles were plentiful and costly to the Creighton team. Creighton lost the ball half a dozen times because of juggling of the pigskin. In this one respect alone South Dakota excelled the local team.

This was the first time in eleven years the Coyotes had failed to score on Creighton and it was Creighton's second victory over them in eleven years. Two years ago Creighton broke a losing streak of nine years, winning 20-13, but lost the game last year 6-0, when the South Dakotans made a touchdown after intercepting the forward pass.

The game was hard fought on the part of both teams and was marked by rough work on the part of men on each aggregation.

It was a sweet victory for Creighton. The blue and white goal posts are still uncontaminated by any opponent this year.

"Flu" Affected Speed.

An idleness of three weeks because of the "flu" had a noticeable effect on Creighton's team. Players who were accustomed to tearing holes in the opposition could not get started. Players who did not know what it was to make a fumble, dropped the ball often. The Creighton team, accustomed to going over the goal any time when within ten yards of it, was stopped a dozen times when within a mighty few yards of the line.

The first half ended with Creighton in possession of the ball on the Coyote two-yard line, and with the score 0-0.

In the third quarter Nemzek went over for the first touchdown of the game. Condon missed goal. Haley made the only other score of

the game in the last quarter and Condon added the extra point.

Creighton was penalized 150 yards in the course of the game, while the Coyotes lost seventy yards through penalties. Holding was the principal offense committed by the Creighton crew, while all South Dakota's penalties were made for off-side play.

SOUTH DAKOTA		CREIGHTON	
Ellis	.....R.E.	Shewlin	.....
McKay	.....R.T.	Shaw	.....
Dennis	.....R.G.	Healy	.....
Hoy	.....C.	D. Condon	.....
Saunders	.....L.G.	Little	.....
Smith	.....L.T.	Nemzek	.....
Hengle	.....L.E.	Hull	.....
Lynch	.....Q.	Harmon	.....
Collins	.....R.H.	Lucas	.....
Sewright	.....L.H.	Mulholland	.....
Heck	.....F.B.	J. Condon	.....

SCORE BY QUARTERS	
Creighton	..... 0 8 5 7-13
South Dakota	..... 0 0 0 0-0

SUMMARY
Touchdowns—Nemzek. Healy. Goal from touchdown, Condon. Substitutions—By South Dakota, Baetty for Sewright, Margolis for Smith; by Creighton, Kean for Little, Walworth for Nemzek, Lambert for Harmon, Manley for Mulholland, Kenney for Nemzek, Nemzek for Condon, Mulholland for Shewlin, Broz for Condon, Healy for Hull, Dartworth for Healy. Referee, Brennan, Ames; Umpire, Schussler, Nebraska; head linesman, Van Liew, Camp Dodge.

Yanks and Allies to Stage Weekly Bouts in Paris

American and allied soldiers on leave or quartered in Paris will compete in weekly ring matches, according to the announcement from over there. The matches will be staged every Wednesday night and be of four rounds' duration, save where a windup is allowed, and this will be six. The athletic department of the Y. M. C. A. has leased the famous Palace de Grace for the contests.

Charles A. Comiskey, the greatest Roman of them all, goes into his camp at Mercer, Wis., to take a fall out of the "muskies."
Rube Marquard, hero of nineteen straight baseball victories, is with an Atlantic mine-sweeping division and playing basketball.

Durn the kaiser! Part of the concrete grandstand at the Polo grounds is to be made into a cold storage plant; it used to get plenty chilly when the Cubs were winning there.

Jess Willard refused to box at war charity show in New York, where he was to meet Jack Dempsey. Willard says he'll "do his bit" boxing in Texas.

Fort Sheridan plans a new series of ring bouts under the direction of Charlie White, athletic instructor.

FREEDMAN-POKORNY MEET AT MILWAUKEE

Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 7.—It will be Sailor Freedman and Vincent Pokorny, the Cleveland lightweight now at the Great Lakes, on November 8 in this city. This announcement was made here by Promoter Tom Andrews. Freedman was originally scheduled to take on Richie Mitchell.

Frankie Burns, crack bantamweight, and Jack Sharkey will do battle before the Armory Athletic association of Jersey City Heights, Boston, November 11.

2 Nebraska Boys May Take Places on Chanute Team

Rantoul, Ill., Nov. 7.—The Chanute flying field football team will go to Belleville Saturday to meet the post team of Scott flying field.

Lieut. C. A. Clunk, formerly with the University of Pittsburg eleven, is filling Weston's place at quarter back and his work is satisfactory.

Other candidates for backfield positions are Milton P. Selzer of Scotts Bluff, Neb., and Edgar Selzer of Nebraska. They are not related. Milton Selzer formerly played with the University of Nebraska team and Edgar Selzer was a member of the Camp Sherman team last fall.

Jack Dempsey, the Man-Eater, wins a court victory when Milwaukee judge enjoins John the Barber Reisler, who claimed to have a contract holding Dempsey, from interfering with Jack's business.

Bill Klem, the umpire, is a stevedore in an Atlantic seaboard division and writes that it is a comparatively quiet life.

The Great Lakes gobs picked to fight for the King's Trophy in London are "Pal" Moore of Memphis, 115; Cal Delaney of Cleveland, 135; Richie Mitchell of Milwaukee, 135 to 142, and Denny O'Keefe of Chicago, heavyweight.

Hugo Bezdek old U. of C. footballer and later manager of the Pirates, will serve as supervisor of physical education in U. S. training camps.

Harold Smith, crack sprinter and captain of the Michigan track team, is made a lieutenant in the air service.

"Knockout Sweeney," Greek boxer, steps into the middle of a street car fight and claims to have knocked seventeen pro-Germans cold. (Unofficial.)

Camps Taylor and Grant to Meet on Chicago Gridiron

The football season, the real football season, so far as Chicago is concerned, opens this week with two mighty attractive battles scheduled for the local fields.

The Camp Grant eleven meets the one from Camp Taylor, located at Louisville, at Cub park on Saturday, and it will be an undefeated team against an unbeaten one in one of the most important service games of the season.

While the army lads are fighting, Michigan and the Maroons will be battling at Stagg field, and this game will be attractive, will be interesting and exciting because of what has gone before, because of the memories aroused rather than because of the strength of the contending elevens. It will be the first meeting since that memorable November afternoon in 1905 when the Midway lads triumphed, 2 to 0, and all the accumulated rivalry of thirteen years will be vented in that single afternoon.

See Real Contest.

A high caliber of football is certain to be displayed when the Grant-Taylor elevens clash. That Captain Omer has a strong team was indicated when Wisconsin was beaten and proved on Saturday when the Rockford huskies ran over the Fort Benjamin Harrison eleven.

The winning score was 37 to 7, the play indicating not only tremendous strength, but also showing that the coaches have been able to develop a concerted and one-man attack.

The Camp Taylor lads kept their record clean by defeating Indiana at Indianapolis, thus insuring opposition sufficiently strong to keep the Grant warriors upon their toes every moment and keyed to the highest pitch every second.

Michigan to Be Choice.

The deduction is that Michigan will be the favorite in the game at Stagg field, not because the Maize and Blue players have displayed a powerful attack or wonderful defense, but because of the known weakness of the Maroons.

Purdue, looked upon as a weak aggregation because of its defeat by De Pauw, was able to trounce the men of Stagg by the score of 7 to 3, and any hopes that the "Old Man" may have entertained were dispelled by that licking. Which doesn't mean that the Michigan-Chicago game will lack as a spectacle for interest and excitement

run high whenever these elevens foregather, but it does mean that this game will not be of championship caliber—so far as the Midway lads are concerned, at any rate.

The victory of the Municipal Pier lads over Northwestern was surprising because of the ease with which the sailors triumphed and because of the score which they ran up.

Our Game With Mechanics Has Been Called Off

Game scheduled for Saturday, November 9, with the Mechanics to be held at St. Paul, has been called off account of the old Alibi, "Flu."

This step was taken by the health officers of St. Paul, who stated that the rooters would yell their throats raw and then get the influenza.

While it saves the Mechanics a good trimming, it gives our boys a better chance to harden up for the big game November 16.

Flu Lid Taken Off, All Sports Resume on Next Saturday

Athletics of all kinds will be resumed, the flu lid having been lifted by health officials. Every form of outdoor athletics will immediately go back on the program, and Saturday and Sunday will see football, soccer and semipro in action.

Harry Neilly reports that Major Branch Rickey, U. S. A., will be the next president of the National league.

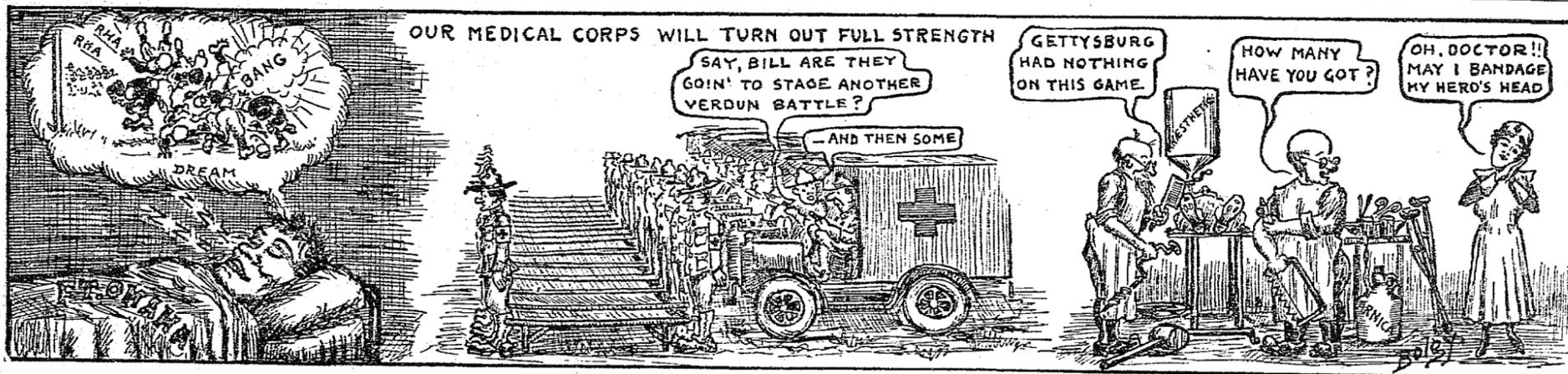
"JAM ROLLS."

Struck by the notice, "Iron Sinks," in a shop window, a wag went inside and said that he was perfectly aware of the fact that "iron sank."

Alive to the occasion, the smart shop-keeper retaliated.

"Yes, and time flies, but wine vaults, sulphur springs, jam rolls, grass slopes, music stands, Niagara falls, moonlight walks, sheep run, Kent hops and holiday trips, scandal spreads, standard weights, rubber tires, the organ stops, the world goes round, trade returns, and—"

But the visitor had bolted. After collecting his thoughts he returned and, showing his head at the doorway, shouted, "Yes, I know, and marble busts."



Officers Get Into Overalls and Go to Motor School

Harold G. Bell.
An officers' motor school course is being conducted at Garage No. 1. The student officers come down the hill every morning at 8 o'clock with the blue denims under their arms, ready to go over the trucks from stem to stem.

When they have changed clothing, their overalls and greasy gloves would induce the most sophisticated rookie to pass them without recognizing their rank. A hard-boiled sergeant made the mistake the first morning of the course when he hollered "Fall in" before he got a glimpse of the bars underneath the denims.

The class has been "rarin' to go" every minute since the school started. There is a wild dash for the trucks to see who is going to ride on the bumpers, when a notice is posted that the class is going out on the truck train. Much of the enthusiasm is lost during the process of "turning over" the engines of the P. W. D.'s on these cold mornings, however.

Lt. Larry Hunt is generally "herding" the first truck in the line—his favorite position. They say his instructor has difficulty in inducing him to "ease off on her tail."

Only minor accidents have featured the course. One student officer chattered his "pop-pop" into a ditch with a resulting broken wheel.

"Put on your overalls and get in the grease, because we're not going bye-bye today" is a song which the student officers have adapted for their own edification.

Several incidents have added to the amusement of the course. On one occasion the entire class was dismissed in the middle of the morning to permit everyone to join in the chase after the mascot bear; "Hug 'em," who had broken away.

Lt. McCloud remembers the day he volunteered to "unscrew the valves with a screwdriver to permit the instructor to explain their construction more clearly.

The most humanly interesting picture that the class has formed yet was presented on a country road during the recent wet spell, with every truck mired to the hubs and every student officer in the mud to his knees.

FOOTBALL COMMITTEE AT FORT APPOINTED

At a meeting Thursday the following committee of officers was appointed to co-operate with the civilian committee of Omaha in arranging the football games this season:

Major Van Nostrand, chairman; Lieutenant Connolly, vice chairman; Lieutenant Hotchkiss, treasurer; Lieutenant Warren, company treasurer; Lieutenant Patterson, field treasurer; Lieutenant McIntire, transportation; Lieutenant Ogilvie, property; Lieutenant Reynolds, field and equipment; Lieutenant Conklin, field and music; Captain Whitney, music and yells, and Lieutenant Spang, publicity.

Any officer or enlisted man may accompany the team to Lincoln on Saturday to attend the game with the Nebraska university. The band will be taken along and a lively time is anticipated.

ENLISTED MEN SHOULD LEARN BALLOON TERMS

(Continued From First Page.)
speaking of a balloon and its parts. It prevents precision and efficiency, both of which are vital in making a balloon company that which is expected of it.

The majority of the enlisted men who are assigned to the school of balloon repairing must be taught the meaning of terms so commonly used as circumference, diameter, radius, vertical and scores of others, before actual work on balloon repairing can even be attempted. It is evident, then, that the balloon language be learned. As soon as a student has mas-

tered the fundamental principles of balloon construction and repair, he is recommended for a N. C. O. If he fails to do so, the best recommendation that can be given is to use him exclusively at the end of a handling line, under competent supervision.

SAYS YOUNG GIRLS "VAMP" SOLDIERS

(Continued From First Page.)
disclosed, but he or she patrols the streets to control situations similar to the ones described by the superintendent.

Young Girls Sent Home.
Several young girls were caught in the act of flirting with soldiers last Saturday evening and sent home. One or two instances are reported nearly every evening throughout the week.

A letter is being prepared by Superintendent Weirich to be sent to the mothers of girls found frequenting public dance halls or flirting on the streets. It calls attention to the dangers that threaten their daughters and asks co-operation in protecting them.

The superintendent was lavish in his compliments to the soldiers while discussing the activities of the Welfare board. He stated that he had no criticism whatsoever of the conduct of the soldiers from the fort. He made it plain that the board believes conditions are wholly attributable to the lack of sophistication and judgment on the part of the young girls.

"I want to urge the boys to continue to always act the gentleman," he said. "They are our best allies in remedying the evils which exist. The problems which the younger girls present to us is our greatest one here. Professional women give us no trouble."

Mr. Weirich stated that moral conditions in Omaha are much cleaner than in other cities near forts and camps. He personally inspected local dance halls Saturday night and found nothing to criticize except the position of some of the dancers.

Dancers Too "Affectionate."
"A few of the girls are too affectionate," he said. "Their hands should be on their partners' shoulders, not around their necks. The bodies of the dancers should not touch and their heads should be at least four inches apart."

One new regulation will be enforced at once in all dance halls by the Welfare board. No passes will be issued to permit dancers to leave the hall and return again. This measure is expected to help much in reducing immorality.

"No liquor is permitted in the halls," said the superintendent, "and dancers will now be unable to leave the place every few minutes to secure a drink from a 'cache' outside.

"These restrictions are made with a view to correcting general moral conditions. They are not aimed at the soldiers in particular."

The Mascot Bear Pulls a Good One on Sgt. Plambeck

Sgt. Plambeck of the medical department admits this tale.

In fact, he tells it on himself. It's all because he was in charge of quarters Saturday night.

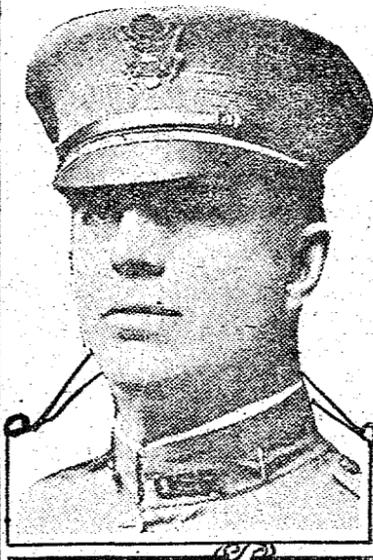
While rabbiting in the office he was startled by horrid groans from a point south of the hospital. He secured a flashlight, the emergency squad and a litter.

All three accompanied him through the barbed wire entanglements toward the clump of darkness from which issued the sounds. But when he reached the spot he discovered that he had only the flashlight. With it he investigated the mass surrounding a pair of shining eyes and found—

"Hug 'em," the mascot bear!

Tobacco.
Tobacco is a filthy weed, And from the devil doth proceed; It picks your pockets, Burns your clothes, And makes a chimney of your nose.

Captain Wise Promoted



Captain Harold Wise has been promoted and has left his company, the Sixty-second of this post.

He has been in the service for 22 years. He was with the Sixth U. S. A. infantry for three years and in the signal corps from 1899 to 1917. He has also served in the quartermaster's base at Maria, Texas, and in the aviation supply depot at San Antonio.

It was with a feeling of deep regret that the Sixty-second balloon company said goodbye. This was attested by the deep-throated applause which greeted him when he entered the mess hall to make his announcement.

Captain Wise has ever been an able and tireless worker for the welfare of his men and has the faculty of making them feel at home in his presence. He has always given personal attention to the affairs of the men in his charge.

THREE FREE BALLOON FLIGHTS ARE SUCCESS

BY R. A. BAKER.
Tuesday afternoon Captain Pierce and Lieutenant Kingsland, acting pilot, took to the air from north field in a 19,000 spherical. The afternoon was ideal and the balloon rose steadily as it passed over the center of the city, traveling in a southeastwardly direction.

They carried with them Captain Pierce's automatic sand sifting device, which was taken on previous trips. Each flight has brought out new ideas of improvement. The machine is practically a success now; but the object of its many tryouts is to subject it to every weather condition.

The entire flight was very rough. At no point was an equilibrium reached and the highest point of the jagged course was 4,000 feet and the lowest elevation of flight was 400 feet. The fact that there was no stability in the course was exactly what was desired. It kept the little sand sifter laboring almost continuously.

After two hours and twenty minutes an easy landing was made near Emerson, Ia., about sixty miles from the starting point.

Lt. C. S. Powell Pilots a "35." Wednesday morning Lieutenant C. S. Powell, acting pilot, started from north field, carrying as passengers Captain A. F. Tucker and Lieutenants G. W. McEntire, William Connolly and R. S. Walton.

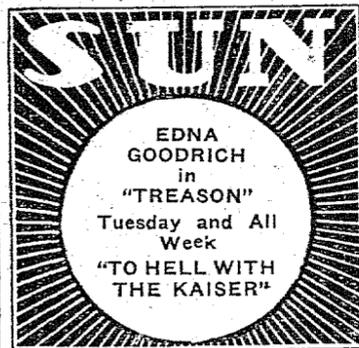
The balloon carried off in an eastwardly direction at about 3,000 feet altitude. A landing was made near Northboro, Ia., about sixty miles from the fort.

Lt. Kingsland Flies Again.

Saturday morning Lieutenant Kingsland, acting pilot, started from north field in a 35,000 cubic footer with Captain John G. Ayling and Lieutenants George W. McEntire, D. A. Horning and R. S. Walton. The balloon went in a north-westerly direction until an altitude of about 800 feet was reached. It then shifted its course due north on an eighteen-mile wind. From time to time the altitude

was varied, at times so low that the officers communicated with the pedestrians. The lower wind currents were blowing in a staggering direction and to make a clean landing the pilot picked out the center of a large plowed field. The landing was near Moorhead, Ia., in southern Monona county, about fifty miles, air line, from north field.

A tourist had been following the course of the balloon and was on hand when the balloon landed to take the officers to the railway station.



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Club Has Banquet.

A banquet, made possible by the mother of the Cyclone 6 club, Mrs. Meade, was held Hallowe'en evening somewhere in the post. Pumpkin pie, cream cheese, sugar coated doughnuts, popcorn, apples, coffee and cigars formed the menu.

The members present were Privates E. D. White, Wiederson, McCarthy and R. A. Baker.

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Fort Omaha Hostesses Co-operate With "Y"



Mrs. Lynn C. Lockwood and Mrs. Charles E. Johannes, the new hostesses at Fort Omaha, are working in co-operation with the Y. M. C. A. officials.

Mrs. Lockwood for the past year has held open house on Sunday afternoons for the soldiers, and in her guest book are many names who are now seeing active service "over there."

She holds a correspondence with over 100 soldiers, which takes the greater part of her time, and has many treasured letters from all parts of Europe and America.

Social activities are a passing fancy with her, and she has set aside all her time for those who care to advance in seeking associates.

Mrs. Johannes, who volunteered for hostess work in the middle west, was called to New York, where she took a course in hostess work at the Y. W. C. A., and went from there to Camp Pike, Little

Rock, Ark., where she has been for the past six months. In expressing her work there, Mrs. Johannes said one thing she learned of importance was "not to advise the Commanding Officer in regards to military matters."

Mrs. Johannes, having traveled in all parts of Europe, is a deep lover of art. She was the first American woman to call on Mrs. Gerard, wife of the American ambassador, and while there attended all the grand operas.

At the present time, Mrs. Johannes and Mrs. Lockwood will have their hostess room in the Y. M. C. A., and through their devoted work many lovely things will be arranged.

On Flight

Captain Roy Crook, M. C., has been transferred to Love Field, Dallas, Tex. Captain William H. Betz, M. C., will resume his duties at this post.

Lieutenant William F. Collins is detailed as Assistant Officer in Charge of Instruction.

Captain Oliver C. Cox, M. C., has been transferred to Fort Des Moines, Iowa.

Lieutenant Philip Frank, formerly of Fort Omaha, is now stationed at Camp John Wise.

Lieutenant John Rahn, formerly of Fort Omaha, is now in charge of the Military Police at Arcadia, Cal., and has taken several airplane flights.

Lieutenant Loring Hall, who received his commission at Fort Omaha, has been transferred from Arcadia, Cal., to Camp John Wise.

Lieutenant Herbert McDuffee, formerly of Fort Omaha, and at Morrison, Va., has received his overseas orders.

Lieutenant Earl Hadley, formerly at Fort Omaha, is now stationed at Kelley Field, Texas, and is connected with the Personnel Office.

Sergeant Reynolds received promotion to second lieutenant in the Q. M.

Captain Rutherford S. Pierpont, Air Service (Aero), reported to this post from Washington, D. C., to take the course of instruction.

First Lieutenant John J. Lancer, M. C., has reported for duty at the Post hospital.

Second Lieutenant Adin A. Grubb, S. C., reported to this post and will take charge of Meteorological and Aerological Departments.

Lieutenant Victor Caldwell, formerly of Fort Omaha, is now in Washington, and has charge of all balloon supplies for America and the A. E. F.

• ❖ • SOCIETY • ❖ •

Corporal Ralph A. Magrum, Society Editor.

Captain and Mrs. Howard White, entertained at tea Thursday afternoon. Those invited were: Colonel and Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest, Colonel and Mrs. Grant and Miss Grant, Major and Mrs. Eugene W. Crockett, Major and Mrs. Russell T. Crawford, Major and Mrs. Martin J. O'Brien, Major and Mrs. Adolph B. Linquist, Major Percy E. Van Nostrand, Captain and Mrs. Albert Wedemeyer, Captain and Mrs. Harold A. Wise, Captain and Mrs. Raymond C. Pierce, Captain and Mrs. Gordon B. Logan and Mrs. William H. Betz, Captains F. DeP. Townsend, John C. Ayling, Raymond H. Harrell, and Alvin M. Whitney, Lieutenant and Mrs. William H. Siefert, Lieutenant and Mrs. Leroy C. Perkins, Lieutenant and Mrs. Homer C. MacNeill, Lieutenant and Mrs. Roscoe G. Conklin, Lieutenant and Mrs. Theodore E. Nelson, Lieutenant and Mrs. George C. Lundberg, Lieutenant and Mrs. John R. Crowe, Lieutenant and Mrs. Edwin W. Wylie, Lieutenants, DeForest A. Horning, Raymond T. Vredenburg, George W. McEntire, Herman M. Brown, William E. Connelly, Albert A. Yarbrough, Raymond L. Fulmer, Mr. and Mrs. Art Guio, Mr. and Mrs. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Group, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Baldrige, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kountze, Mr. and Mrs. Luther L. Kountze, Mr. and Mrs. Ritchie, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Wickham, Dr. and Mrs. Paul Ellis, Mrs. Mahoney, Misses Louise Nash, May Mahoney, Eva Mahoney, Betty Kern, Marie Riley, Florence Riley, Reba McNamara, Blanche Harald, Jones, Booker, Clark, Canan, Messrs: Rev. James Stenson, "Sandy" Griswald.

Lieutenant and Mrs. William H. Siefert of Fort Crook entertained at an elaborate Hallowe'en party Thursday evening, October 31.

Colonel and Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest were unable to attend due to a previous engagement. Among those present were: Major Percy E. Van Nostrand and Mrs. Batty, Major and Mrs. E. W. Crockett, Major and Mrs. R. L. Hamilton, Mrs. Delaney, Captain and Mrs. John L. Travis, Captain and Mrs. George Young, jr., Mrs. Scott, Miss Plummer, Lieutenant and Mrs. Robert L. Hall, Lieutenant and Mrs. John R. Crowe, Lieutenant and Mrs. Franklin P. Quick, Lieutenant and Mrs. Frank E. Denman, Lieutenant and Mrs. George V. Baer, Lieutenant and Mrs. Walter W. L. Fotherall, Lieutenant and Mrs. Ensor, Lieutenant and Mrs. Karl Dedolph, Lieutenant Clarence R. Jacobson and Miss Taylor, Lieutenants L. Clyde Hillsabeck, William S. Taylor, Bernard M. Murphy and Franklin W. Gledhill.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS The U. S. Government

speaking through the Council of National Defense, makes the following requests with respect to Christmas Gifts:

1. That the giving be confined to useful articles.
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Lieutenant and Mrs. Leroy C. Perkins gave a chicken dinner at Carter lake Wednesday evening. Those present were Colonel and Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest, Major Percy E. Van Nostrand, Lieutenant and Mrs. John C. McKay, Dr. and Mrs. Ed Bruening, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pegau and Mrs. Chambers.

Mrs. Howard Baldrige, who taught French all last winter here at the fort, is now holding the responsible position of state censor of the American Red Cross. Everything is censored from two by two to a sweater, and distributed to the various camps and forts.

Mrs. Colonel Scott of Fort Crook entertained at dinner last week. Those present were Colonel and Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest, Major and Mrs. R. L. Hamilton, Major and Mrs. Eugene W. Crockett and Lieutenant and Mrs. Robert L. Hall.

Among some of their recent shipments overseas were 50,000 sweaters to Vladivostok, Russia; 16,088 sweaters and 6,285 pairs of socks to France and two carloads, consisting of 288 boxes of Red Cross supplies, to Rome, Italy.

The ladies of the Command met at Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest's residence Tuesday afternoon to arrange two meetings a week for Red cross work.

Captain Herbert W. Ryan, who was transferred to Arcadia, Cal., will spend Saturday and Sunday in Omaha en route to Newport News, Va., to sail for "somewhere."

Captain Harold A. Wise has been transferred from Commanding Officer of the 62d Balloon Company to Inspecting Officer of the Post.

Lieutenant-Colonel John D. Carmody, Air Service (Aero), reported to this post from Morrison, Va., to take course of instruction.

Flying Cadet William Sieck, Jr., has been commissioned Second Lieutenant, Aerial Service (Aero), and has reported for duty.

Lieutenants Robert L. White and H. E. Babcock reported to Fort Crook as Aerial Observers from Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

First Lieutenant John Bardsley, Q. M., left Saturday for Hoboken, N. J.

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CURRENT EVENTS.

Among the many soldiers passing through Omaha and received by Red Cross women at the depot were Colonel Wilson of the English army, who is on his way to London, England, after a short visit in San Francisco.

Lieutenant Stuart Kellogg, who received his commission at Fort Omaha and is now in France, reports he is living in a house formerly occupied by a German colonel, the ground of which they have held for the past four years. He says souvenirs are plentiful, and that one of his men brought in five German guns on his shoulder and dragged a trench mortar behind. During the last big drive two balloons were attacked and he made two parachute jumps within two hours.

DANCES.

D. T. A. gave a dance Saturday evening at Jacobs' hall. The ball was beautifully decorated with Hallowe'en streamers. There was an attendance of over fifty couples.

The Q. M. girls of the Army building are giving a dance at Hanscom Park Thursday evening.

Swift Military association have issued invitation for their "coming-out dance" Friday evening at the Rome hotel.

The "Smiles" club have issued invitations for a dancing party Saturday evening at Dundee hall.

Unitarian church, located at Turner boulevard and Harney streets, has very delightful dances every Friday evening, both for enlisted and commissioned circles.

The Women's Auxiliary to B'Nai B'rith lodge of Omaha gave a war benefit dance Thursday evening at the city Auditorium. Many soldiers were present.

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ROCKING THE BASKET

The Life Commercial

Ikey was drafted and sent to Camp Upton, Jakey was drafted and sent to Fort Slocum.

One day they met in New York—their first meeting since the day they said "gute-buy" to each other in their Bowery Hock shop. On invitation of each other they entered a nearby Kosher for a bite to eat and during the meal, between the whistled gulps of soup, Ikey asked Jakey concerning his war risk insurance. "Shakey, are you heavily insured mit da government?"

"Ya Ikey I carry fife thousand dollars in favor of Racheal." "Foolish Shakey, foolish, I haf ten thousand in favor of Teeadore Roseveld," advised Ikey.

"For vy ten thousand in favor of Rosevelt, Ikey, ven your det the insurance iss not gute to an old bachelor like you," inquired Jakey. "Vell, you see its shust like this, Uncle Sam vont put a ten thousand dollar man in the front trenches, especially ven it would benefit the republican party if I got kilt," was the clever way Jakey figured it out.

The Poor Balloon

The balloon was very much interested in the contortions of the great cigar of the air. Over and over rolled the balloon and again and again it dived straight for the ground for all the world like some "bucking broncho."

"I wonder what its trouble is," he mused aloud. Two soldiers were passing. One of them tarried. The civilian continued to stare at the balloon, straining at the winch. He turned and spoke to the man in uniform, "What is the trouble with that balloon?" "Don't you know?" asked the man in the service in a surprised attitude. "No." "Well, I'll tell you then," declared the soldier with the air of one about to give up a deep secret, "that balloon has gastritis."

Would You Believe It?

"Dick" Devine, Herald Square scribe, was one of the first soldiers to arrive at the camp of the New York national guard at Camp Wadsworth, S. C., in the fall of 1917. On the night of his arrival Devine ate his evening meal in a Carolina mountain hut. After the meal he sat near the stove with the head of the house, a typical backwoodsman. The old man had not much to say. But he kept glancing at Devine's uniform questioningly. Finally he blurted out "What a yo'all got them close on fo?" After Dick had recovered from his surprise he told him that the United States was at war. "At wa', with who?" demanded the backwoodsman. "Why, Germany." "Well," returned the old man, "Yo'all got a fine day fo' it."

THINGS TO WORRY ABOUT!
Is Lemon Extract a flavor or a beverage?
Has a corporal any friends?
Where do the mess sergeants eat?

Ignorance Is Bliss.

The "Rookie" was very much excited. As he rushed into the Quartermaster clothing room, gasping for breath, he thrust forth a Signal Corps hat cord. "I can't keep this," he said. "You know they are very particular in my company at inspection. These hat cords get dirty too quickly. Give me a black one."

HOW THE FLU FLED.

By W. O. N. G.
Ten little Flu germs
Sitting in a line,
One bit a rookie
Then there were nine.
Nine little Flu germs
Working hard for fate,
One entered barracks four
Then there were eight.
Eight little Flu germs
That didn't come from heaven,
One lit on a "K. P."
Then there were seven.
Seven little Flu germs
Always up to tricks,
One stung a captain
Then there were six.
Six little Flu germs
Very much alive,
One chased a war bride
Then there were five.
Five little Flu germs
Making life a bore,
One grabbed off a medic
Then there were four.
Four little Flu germs
Climbing up a tree,
One got on a pay flight
Then there were three.
Three little Flu germs
Not knowing what to do,
One went in the guard house
Then there were two.
Two little Flu germs
Feeling pretty bum,
One went to the hospital
Then there was one.
One little Flu germ
Sitting in the sun,
Got thoroughly disinfected
Then there was none.

A Letter From Mother

Dear Felix: I just got threv tellin the naybors about your brother Mike's promotion to a Kitchen Poliseman when your letter came. Now I am just as happy as if I was to see the kaiser hung with my own eyes. Oh, such two wonderful sons as what I have! And so they have made my Felix—my golden-haired boy—a Snipe Shooter! I don't know just what it means but it must be somethin dangerous. I suppose a Snipe is some kind of a German. You say that in order to be a good Snipe Shooter a person has gotta have sharp eyes. Well I'm willin to bet on you Felix. You will be the champeen Snipe Shooter of the Army. I gess they will send you to Franse right away. This worries me a little for I know how reckless you are. I hope you will be awful careful on the firing line When you see the Snipes dont rush out on them. Crawl on your stummick and advance cawshushly. Take them by surprise. Your father sends his regards. He quit his job on the subway today and is gonna work in a swell laundry tomorrer. Lotsa love,

MOTHER.

ABSOLUTE ZERO!
(1,700 degrees colder than —)
The way the Company Commander looks at you when you are late for a formation or untidy at inspection, or most anything.

"Some Whar Bound."

A train loaded with colored troops pulled into the station of a southern town. All the darkies were cheering and singing in anticipation of their future destination. A civilian coon was busy with his bootblack stand on the station platform. The shouting of his brothers attracted his attention. He became curious and approached one of them. "Whar ye all cullud sojors bound for?" he asked. "Jump into a uniform and find out for yerself nig-gah, we're some whar bound," was the intelligent reply.

Some Power!

We all admit that the Personnel Office is an all-powerful institution, but the word powerful is not the proper adjective now. Last month they developed a supernatural unbelievable influence and successfully transferred three dead men. The company to which they were transferred did not have an "all present or accounted for" report at reveille nor did the Morning Report reveal the mystery. At least that's how the story goes and we'll just list them as gatekeepers and let it go at that. (Note: Yes, the men transferred were thoroughly satisfied.)

Cable in Air; No Balloon

Important advice about the balloons that are flown at Florence field frequently comes over the telephone. "One of your balloons has got turned around and is heading right toward the other balloons—you'd better hurry out and turn it back or you will have a collision," was a message to Major Rodgers one day when the balloons swung lazily in all directions in variable currents.

"I will go right out and fix it myself," the major promised. A similar conception was that of an estimable Omaha woman who inquired about the officer who had been promoted in charge of the balloon squadron.

"I noticed today that you had a new leader balloon, so you must have a new leader," she explained. The balloons had been heading into southwest winds for several days, and when they turned into an east wind she thought that the forward looking balloon was the "leader balloon" of the number.

A lady who lives near the field stirred up excitement at headquarters one day when she telephoned excitedly that a balloon had broken away. The balloons were flying up in a fog, and three were out of sight, but the lieutenant in charge counted cables and winches and found all present and accounted for.

"Why, I know better—I can see from my window," the lady demurred when he called her up. "It

BEWARE!

With the hunting season open certain well known "rabbits" should stay in their holes. "As you were men."

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has been gone for over half an hour." "How do you know?" the lieutenant asked. "When it went away it left the cable sticking up in the air, and I can see it going up into the clouds just as sure as I am talking at this telephone," she said. "How in the world are you going to get that cable down without any balloon to help you?"

The hard-hearted lieutenant might have explained that the balloon was out of sight in the clouds, but he didn't. "We'll just let that cable stay there and the balloon will float by and catch on it again. When we get a good tug we will haul down quickly and get the balloon safely. Just watch in an hour or two, and you will see it done." And she did.

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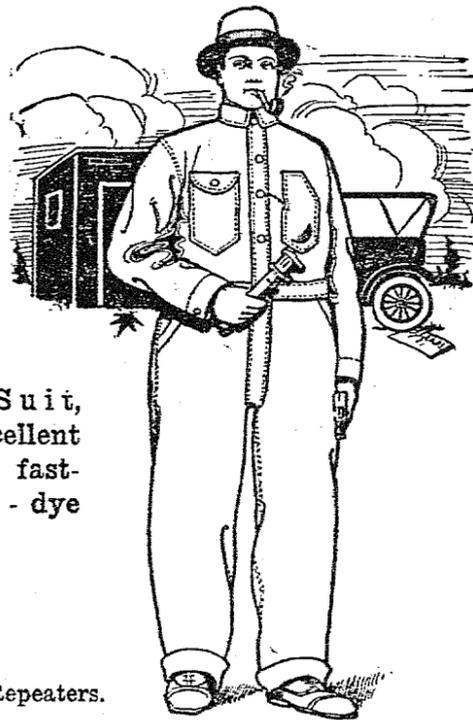
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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1918.

The Fort Omaha Gas Bag has been founded by a group of men whose conviction it is that such an institution is necessary to furnish the men with the live news in and out of the post not only, but to bolster the "esprit de corps" and morale of the command and to reflect the opinion of the men themselves.

Contributions are invited. They must be typewritten. Contributors are advised to retain duplicate copies of such, as the Gas Bag will not be responsible for any copy received.

The Game.

The sharp in the picture has cheated at the game and piled up the chips on his side. His winning cards have been Militarism, Lies, and an Iron Hand.

Many a board has he swept with his lying propoganda. With the aid of his son, the Crown Quince and a crooked crowd he has held the high hands. A royal bluff "The Divine Right of Kings" has been his long suit.

Even yet he is taking from the small pile that remains on the side of the German people. It would seem that he soon will have all.

But Uncle Sam and the Allies have stepped in to stop the game. The cheat has been caught red handed. The big stick will lay before the GERMAN people the cards he holds. At last they must see the deceit that has been worked upon them.

Will the GERMAN PEOPLE then awake and take their due as humans; or must they be controlled as a nation of imbeciles?

The Open Post.

The post is open. Colonel Jacob W. S. Wuest, Post Commander, has showed the confidence he places in the men of the command.

Never before, since war was declared, have Fort Omaha men enjoyed as many privileges. When off duty they may come and go as they please. They may have visitors at all reasonable times. Elaborate plans are being made for their entertainment.

Every man in the post should show the commanding officer that his confidence is not misplaced.

Let every man resolve the granted privileges shall not be abused.

Let no one anywhere conduct himself in a manner uncreditable to the institution of which he is a part.

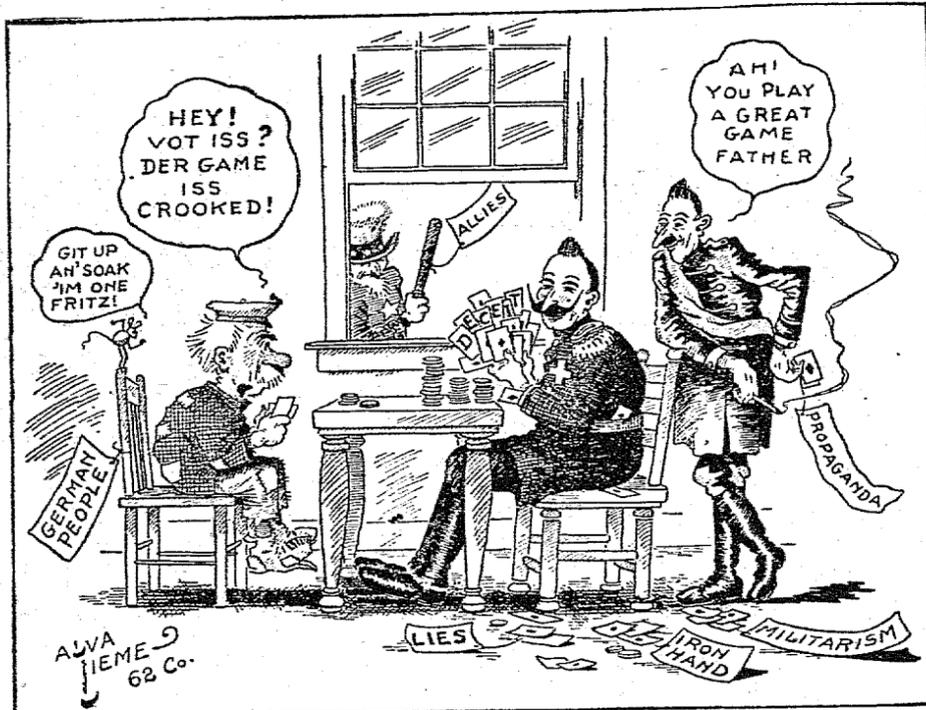
Let every man pledge himself to give the commandant loyal service and support.

This is the way the colonel can be shown that his act is appreciated.

Attention.

Everything on these pages is authentic. There are no stories used, gleaned from an "A. P." report, rewritten from a London Times story, copied from a Reuter dispatch, concerning a tale, rumored in Berlin.

The Card Sharp



UNPRINCIPLED JOURNALISM.

The most disgraceful bit of publication in newspaper history was put on the streets of America, yesterday, when United Press dispatches told the nation the war was ended.

Shortly after noon yesterday, the Omaha Daily News published a United Press story saying "the greatest war in all time came to an end at 2 o'clock today. The allies and Germany signed an armistice at 11 o'clock on the field of battle."

This story was published at 2 o'clock and followed by "peace extras."

At 6:15 last, night, the Associated Press, the one recognized reliable news service, directed the World-Herald to say that the peace story was not unofficial, but FALSE.

The public had been duped once more by rotten and yellow journalism. Today's news tells the story of the national chaos wrought by this piece of rank sensationalism.

It is time the sensational press was muzzled.

Yesterday's farce has paved the way for it.

Public opinion will put the "kibosh" on one institution of lies.

Faith in the veracity of the United Press has been doomed eternally.

The Connaught Rangers

BY W. M. LETTS.

I saw the Connaught Rangers when they were passing by,
On a spring day, with gold rifts in the sky,
Themselves were marching steadily along the Liffey quay,
An' I see the young proud look of them as if it was today!
The bright lads, the right lads, I have them in my mind,
With the green flags on the bayonets all fluttering in the wind.

A last look at old Ireland, a last good-bye maybe,
Then the gray sea, the wide sea, my grief upon the sea!
And when will they come home say I, when will they see once more
The dear blue hills of Wickiow and Wexford's dim gray shore?
The brave lads of Ireland, no better lads you'll find,
With the green flags on their bayonets all fluttering in the wind!

Three years have passed since that spring day, sad years for them and me.
Green graves there are in Serbia and Gallipoli;
And many who went by that day on that muddy street
Will never hear the roadway ring to their triumphant feet.
But when they march before Him, God's welcome will be kind,
And the green flags on their bayonets will flutter in the wind.

OBSERVATIONS

BY THE EDITOR

I

SWUNG

ACROSS the

PARADE grounds

THE other morning

AND as I looked up and

SAW Old Glory flying at the

TOP of the staff again, a feeling

OF thankfulness welled up

WITHIN me. Let us pray that

NEVER again shall necessity place

OUR colors at half mast.

One year ago the Allies could hardly put up strong enough defense to stop the Teutons—today the Americans can hardly travel fast enough to keep on the van of the Huns.

A lieutenant went into the office of the Quartermaster the other day and requisitioned forty grates for tent stoves. The officer in charge told him the stock of grates was exhausted but a full supply of GREAT window shades was on hand.

The Second Lieut. of the book keeping board, Dressed in his new gabardine, Spending long green that he cannot afford, Entertains maidens serene.

Top Sergeant O'Brien, an old army man, Dressed in his old issue cloths, Steps with a jane with a new "Cad" Sedan Nobody knows how he rose.

Private K. P. Jones of Squad Number three, Has only brogans to wear, And a uniform that looks like a sack, But HE GETS THERE JUST THE SAME.

How apropos a name for the home of the "flu"—GERMany.

In a letter Mabel asks me why Jack was put on "K. P." the first day the post was opened. In words that burn she complains, telling of an elaborate spread that had awaited him. Well Mabel I don't know what I can do for you. Of course you know you always have the opportunity of suing the Government—or you might take it out on the Kaiser.

"Ankle Watch Fad Dying Out" says a Broadway sheet. That may be so, Arthur, but take it from me there is no decrease in the watch of ankles around Omaha.

If we could believe one-half of what we read in "wild cat" extras that come off the press Germany is destitute, the Allies are crowding Berlin, and the war is all over but the Berlin banquet. Some one of these days we'll be reading over our "slum" and coffee that President Wilson is entertaining Mr. William Hohenzollern at dinner, Harvard's eleven has been strengthened by a new half-back, the Crown Prince, and Von Kluck has been made secretary of the Central Bloomfield Y. M. C. A.

I have a note from a friend of the Gas Bag. He has some poetry to submit. He says its—all write—

There is one circumstance under which we would rather be outside looking in—over the fence.

If you don't believe it ask the street car conductors who gathered in the jitneys on the Florence cars Saturday afternoon.