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FORT OMAHA, NEBRASKA, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1919.

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# OMAHA MAN WAS GUARD OF HONOR TO THE PRESIDENT

Sergeant Adams of Omaha Escorts Wilson Through England.

Sergeant A. S. Adams, an Omaha man with the Engineers in England, was a member of President Wilson's guard of honor on his tour through England.

Writing to relatives in this city Sergeant Adams send the following letter:

Jan. 5, 1919. Dear Folks:- We are still on the other side of the pond, and will probably be here for sometime to come. We are still building camps and there is three montrs work ahead of us.

Don't know whether we will do it or not, but the chances are we will do it before we ever get a chance to leave.

The engineers are the laboring men of the army you know, but we are the kids that can do it if we

Had some snow the other day, which was the first time I have stepped in it since I left California

It seems most of the time over here, but I guess we will have a little snow once in awhile for a

Lots of "Tommies" are coming home now and I guess the "Yanka" are getting back to the good old states.

We get a bunch of papers once in awhile from the states about a month after they are published but they are new to us.

Went to Manchester the other day as guard of honor to the presi-

The good soldiers were picked out for that and of course I was one of them.

They sure gave him a fine recep-

tion all along the line.
Thats about all for this time. FROM YOUR UNCLE AL.

Seagt. A. S. Adams, Co. No. 1. Engrs. A. R. C., No. 5, Knetty Ash, Idverpool, Eng. On active service,

## All Allotments Have Been Paid

On January 11, in response to a senate resolution, the secretary of the treasury stated that all the checks for allotments and allow ances for November and December, 1918, would be mailed by January

31, 1919.
In fulfillment of this promise the last checks for the November and December allotment were mailed

on Thursday, January 30, 1919.

During the month of January 1919, the Bureau of War Risk insurance has mailed 2,090,291 checks.

## **AWARDS FOR** DISTINGUISHED FLYERS

General Kenly has appointed a board of Officers to pass upon the qualifications and merits of flying officers who have distinguished themselves in action. The board will eventually review the records of all flying officers who were in action with a view to awarding them such ratings as their achievements and abilities may warrant. To date only the pursuit or fighting pilots have received any recognition; this was in the form of a list of sixiy-three fliers who have been credited with the down of five or more enemy aircraft, a list which is not complete or up to date.

The new board will not only consider the fighting pilots and observers but the officers who were on other details just as dangerous, tedious and requiring an even greater amount of practice and greater amount of practice and skill, though not as spectacular.

## Fort Omaha Adjutant; Major Martin V. O'Brien



Major Martin V. O'Brien, Post Adjutant, is one of the few Regular ny officers in the post.

Since his assignment to the fort Major O'Freen has noted at mile, capacities and his share in the institution of the Balloon School here has been a large one.

# FORT OMAHA SOLDIER IS HEIR TO \$70,000

Death of Uncle, a Broker, Brings Fortune to Private Albert Ponzo.

Going Back to School, Then Into Business With Father, He Says.

Albert Ponzo, a private in the medical corps at Fort Omaha, received word that his uncle, William Harris, a broker of Atlantic City, N. J., had died and named him as one of three heirs of a \$217,000 es-

Ponzo is 19 years old and does not receive his share of the money

until he is 21. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Ponzo of Cincinnati, O. Previous to his enlistment last May he was a junior at St. Xavier's school in Cincinnati where he was studying bookkeeping.

"I intend to finish my course at school as soon as I am discharged from the service." said Ponze. "Then I am going to so into business with my father, who is a lumberman."

Ponzo's sisters, Garnette, and his brother, William, are the other two heirs of the estate.

## Fatalities at Flying Fields

During the week ending January 23, there were two fatalities at American Flying Fields, as follows: Gerstner, Lake Charles, La., January 18, 1919, Arthur E. Elliott, second lieutenant, pilot. McCook, Dayton, O., January 22, 1919, Frank Banks, first lieutenant, pilot.

For the week endings January 30, there were three fatal accidents: Carlstrom, Arcadia, Fla., January 27, Cyril T. Hunt, second lieuten-

Rockwell, San Diego, Cal., Jan-uary 29, George P. Leggett, second

lieutenant, pilot. Codman, Stithton, Ky., January 29, William T. Morgan, second lieutenant, pilot.

## **Biggest Military Camp** In the World at Brest

Washington — The greatest military camp in the world will be established at Brest when plans for extension of embarkation facilities there have been completed. General March said Brest would be the backbone of American demobilization system. It already has handled 51 per cent of the soldiers sent back to the United States up to date. Its capacity for 50,000 men is to be doubled.

# REPORT SHOWS **ACTIVITIES OF BOYS**

Doughboys and Jackies Write Millions of Letters -Movies Popular.

Didn't Forget to Go Church—Educational Features Popular.

Chicago, Ill.,-The American soldier and sailor in training .was a prolific letter writer. The number of letters written in Y. M. C. A. huts in the thirty-three military camps of the central department from May 1 to December 31, 1915, totaled 62,798,410. This department includes Nebraska and lowa post huts. This was more than the total attendance at the 131 huts operated by the "Y." The figures are included in a report just made public here by the national war work council of the Y. M. C. A. It shows an attend-

ance of 60.683,806 at "Y" huts.

Movies were the most popular feature of the "Y" service in the camps. The attendance at the 12. motion picture shows was 979,303, an average of more than

The doughboy and the jackie didn't forget to "go to church." The 27.399 religious meetings were attended by 4,131.159 and 1.156,038 were present when bible classes

were held.

The "Y" educational features were popular. In the twenty months (Continued on Page 3.)

# TWENTY FLYING OFFICERS GET DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSSES

Leo Stephens Saves Lives of Four Officers

Balloon men and signal corps officers in Washington are loud in praise of the work of Leo Stephens, Fort Omaha pilot and expert, in saving lives of four officers near Salisbury, Md., when a huge gas bag in which they were traveling caught fire. Stephens' coolness was what counted, the officers say, and it meant safety to all the occu-

# CAN'T HURRY RETURN OF BOYS FROM ARMY

Governor McKelvie Finds Occupational Discharges Not Practicable.

Lincoln, Neb.-Governor McKelvie, back from a trip to Washington, D. C., issued a statement outlining the results of his efforts to have farmer boys released from the army at an early date.

The govern as statement as lo release of soldiers follows:

"Secretary Baker advised me that all men in camps in this country, except those who are actually needed to guard the camps and to aid in the demobilization of forces from overseas, would be discharged by March 1. For the men overseas, the outlook is not so encouraging, though the secretary assuerd me that a half million have been re-turned and discharged during the months of January and February. Those who are not returned at this time will be obliged to remain, except as they are returned in units, and he thought it practically impos-sible to obtain the release of men either individually or upon an oc-cupational basis.

He called attention to the fact that he could not comply with the recommendation for discharge of men upon an occupational basis for the reason that the soldiers them selves would not stand for it. He said that an effort to demobilize upon that basis in England had almost precipitated a mutiny in the

"I was interested also in the future military policy of the nation and was assured by Secretary Baker that it was too early to make a definite expression of what that might be. He thought that if the returning national guard units desired to reorganize, it would be sired to reorganize, it would be well to encourage them in doing

Demobilization of the navy, the governor found, will be much slow er than that of the army.

## INSTRUCTOR'S INSCIGNA.

Flying instructor; will wear the small gold wings on the right sleeves, bottom of insignia one inch above sleeve braid, or between wound stripes and sleeve braid where the former are worn.

Only those persons who have een designated as instructors by field commanders and have been announced in orders as being duty as flying instructors, or who may be so designated in future, will wear this insignia.

## FLYING PAY RULING.

Existing orders interpret "regular and frequent participation in aerial flights" as not less than four flights per month for a total of at least four hours. All officers signing pay vouchers covering flying pay will add the words embracing not less than flights per month for a total of at least four hours."

Commander-in-Chief Awards Decorations to Score for Bravery.

TWO OF NUMBER BELONG TO BALLOON SECTION

Two Captains, Five Second and Thirteen First Lieutenants Honored.

Cited for Distinguished Service. The commander-in-chief, in the name of the president, has awarded the distinguished service cross to the following-named officers and soldiers for the acts of extraordi-nary heroism described after these

Second Lieutenant Horace L. Borden, signal corps. For extraordinary heroism in action October 29, 1918. While carrying out a dit-ficult contact mission without the protection of friendly planes, Lieutenant Borden was attacked by three hostile machines, which he succeeded in driving off. He secured the information he sought, but while attempting to fire a signal rocket it exploded, setting the machine on fire. Lieutenant Bor-den grawled back on the Justing of the machine and exilinguished the flames with his bare hands. Although suffering real pain he refused to be sent to the rear for treatment, but remained on duty with b' squadron. Home address, Alfred H. Borden, Aquideick Branch, Newport, R. I.

First Lieutenant Livingston Gil-

son Irving, aviation section, One Hundred and Third aero pursuit squadron. For extraordinary heroism in action near Bantheville. France, October 19, 1918. Accompanied by another pilot, Lieutenant Irving attacked an enemy forma-tion of eleven planes, four of which were above him. In spite of the great odds, he dived into the lower formation, and after a sharp com-bat destroyed one plane, and with he aid of his companion forced a second plane to earth. Home address, S. C. Irving, father, 1322 Shattuck avenue, Berkeley, Cal.

Second Lieutenant Sigbert A. G. Norris, aviation section, observer, Eleventh aero squadron. For extraordinary heroism in action near Dun-sur-Meuse, France, September 26, 1918. Deeming it impossible to catch their own formation, Lieutenant Norris with Lieutenant William Waring, pilot, attached themselves to a formation from the Twentietla squadron and engaged in a 35-min-ute fight with thirty enemy aircraft. Five of the Twentieth squadron were lost and the observer of one of the remaining planes seriously wounded. The wounded man had fallen in a position which had made the control of the machine difficult. Lieutenant Norris immediately motioned for his pilot to take a position between the enemy formation and the crippled compan-(Continued on Page 3.)

SECOND MARTIN **BOMBER ARRIVES** 

Glenn Martin Bomber Number 4. arrived at Bolling Field, Anacostia, D. C., February 6. from Cleveland. The entire trip, via Baltimore amounting to practically 450 miles air travel, was made in two hours and fifty-eight minutes. This is the second machine of this type delivered to the division of military aeronauties by the Glenn Martin company. It will be flown to New York later in the month for exhibition in the International Aeronautical exposition at Madison Square Garden.

The Martin Bomber was piloted by Eric Springer of the Martin company and carried three passengers, the chief engineer of the Martin company, a representative of the post office, and a mechanic.

## ORGANIZATION NEWS

### PERSONNEL OFFICE.

Sherlock Holmes: Observations? It has come to my-attention that some one in the city of Omaha, sent Sergeant First-class Ellwein a lemon, nicely wrapped up in a large box, what is the reason of all this I am sure that I cannot understand. Further investigation will be made and a report submitted in a later

issue of this paper.
Lincoln, Neb., papers please copy: The writer of this column wishes to apologize to the young lady who lives in an "honest to goodness town instead of a hamlet." I wish to have your definition of a

regular city.

Corp. Davis is going to doll up and attend the dances regularly at

the K. of C.
"Old Issue" Sgt. Eyans is enjoying a five-day pass at Harlan, Ia., with his wife and babe.

Notice: This column may seem a little dry this week, sorry but I am not in good humor to put any pep into it.—Coluni. It's tough

when you got to do it. Corp. Cox has returned from his furlo spent in the gay village of Joplin, Mo., much improved from a physical standpoint, but apparently disappointed in love as he has decided to re-enlist for sixteen years more of active personnel work.

"Wake me up any time before morning and ask me if I am going to re-enlist." The foregoing being the title of Sgt. First-class Zerbs' deep exhuberent snores last Sunday night. However, Joe struck a knot in the pine log he was sawing just before he got the chorus, otherwise we could recite more of the medley.

Oh! How I hate to get up in the

By the apparel that was seen-promanading across the grounds last week, some one had forecast a hail storm. Left to the imagina-tion and consideration of all close

## BALLOON HOUSE.

G. C. Wiedersum.
Lieutenant Raiph A. Reynolds,
formerly in charge of the repair
hangar at Florence Field, has taken charge of the balloon house, and we extend to him a hearty welcome. Captain Frank W. Goodale, formerly officer in charge, has been transferred to the command of the Eighty-first company, and Lieutenant George D. Kingsland, formerly assistant officer in charge, has left for his home in St. Louis, Mo., for a short leave of absence before proceeding to Akron, O., for training in dirigible work.

Only one free balloon flight was made during the week, the same having been piloted by Second Lieutenant R. A. Reynolds, and his passengers were Lieutenant James T. Neely, Lieutenant Frank C. Dennen, Lieutenant Roscoe G. Conklin and Sergeant M. H. Nelson of the Fiftieth company. The atmosphere was extremely calm and after a most pleasant hour or so in the car the balloon was brought to earth near Irvington, Neb., just six miles distant

The original yellow French barcase balloon was inflated with hydrogen and a number of photographs taken of it before being packed for shipment east.

Several promotions of balloon house personnel were made during the week. Corporal G. C. Wiederrum was promoted to sergeant, and Private H. J. Freitag, who has had charge of the floor for some time, was made corporal. We also have with us now Corporal T. E. Madgett, in charge of stock room, who was formerly stock clerk at Flor-

Motor Transport Corps.

By Sgt. 1st Cl. L. Burris. All men in the Motor Transport Eorps are sorry to hear that Lieutenant George W. Adams is getting his discharge, as he has been an excellent officer to the men in this department. The men of this department extend their best wishes for his future welfare, happiness and good luck.

Lieutenant O. U. Wiemer is now letailed as officer in charge of the Hotor Transport Corps Prook, Nebraska, and relieves Lt. Seorge W. Adams who has been n charge for the last two months. Lt. Wiemer is showing a great deal of interest as O. I. C.

Lieutenants Adams and Wiemer ave a continued siege, in the takng over of the tools and equipment the Motor Transport Corps. But he guestion is who will relieve

Lieutenant Foster of his last M. T.

C. property. Chauffeur Johnson instead of using shims on the bearings tried to use his thumb and mashed the end of it off. "Bright Boy."

The record for assembling han-gars ahs been broken at Ft. Crook by the use of new instruments, "nigger-heads" on the winches. This has been discovered by Major Crockett, Commanding Officer of Fort Crook. It has been known to have companies at Fort Omaha two and three weeks to assemble a balloon hangar, but now it only takes Fort Crook four days to assemble a hangar. Our Motto is "Service."

Private Oyler in winding up the G. M. C. truck forgot which way toturn the crank and it kicked and broke his arm. Oyler stated after his arm was broken that he would start no more trucks until authorized to do so by proper authority. Chauffeur King is trying to get

the job of being the Gold-brick of the M. T. C. of Fort Crook, From what we can learn he has had that job before he came to this department. From the way it looks now, he is making good headway to-wards getting the job. Chauffeur Magnuson previous to

his promotion was paralyzed when he came to work. But the day he received his stripes nothing could hold him, he tore down and re-assembled a Quad motor. We have been some time getting a remedy for his cure. But if that is the case, there is going to be more chauffeurs made from privates.

Lt. Wiemer caught Chauffeur Crow sleeping in his truck, and Crow now realizes that a truck is no place to sleep, because there is too much fatigue to it when you get caught.

Ex-Corporal Glaze has been promoted to Chauffeur, and is mighty good now as he is not a non-commissioned officer, as there is dan ger now of him getting his "bean" knocked off, and it will take him some time to overcome his hard-boiled habits. This is our advice, "Watch your step."

## QUARTERMASTER CORPS.

Julius du Bose. Lieutenant Grisswall formerly a sergeant property clerk in the Q. M. office paid the boys a visit in his new uniform Saturday and sat right down to the table with the K. P's and privates and ate a real dinner and declined a toothpick after, his desert. That's all right, Lieutenant, the eats were good, thanks to Cook Branson; believe me we have not been forced to eat Sunday supplement newspaper Hover menues.

Private Clark told Mr. Lightfoot transportation clerk to place him in an upper on the Overland going to San Diego for he says, "Joe I had mighty good luck coming here, to have a jolly fat French wig maker underneath me who told bald bear stories all night over the mountains."

Corporal "Hack" Thacker, driver of the Henry car, has returned again from a five day furlough of fall plowing on his farm located in Homer, Neb. and was transferred to the commissary.

Private James Summitt has re turned from a thirty day leave which he spent on his Aunt's farm and he says, "fellows the apple cider in Blufville, Kan., has not lost it old flavor." And we believe

Corporal Motz has received his discharge and returned to Chicago with his wife. Corporal Motz is a traveling passenger agent for the

nce Field repair hangar.

Private O. D. Richardson is pending a ten-day furlough at his home in Galveston, Tex.

Union Pacific Railroad company.

Private Nolet is now a happy little treasure man for last week he was given a discharge. Private Nolet is connected with the Fortenelle hotel.

Here is one and it was told to me by the man that winds up the commissary clock and runs on Sixteenth street sidewalks at nights, to wit, he says, "the late-est thing and the talk of the Q. M. is the vaudeville skit entitled "Early," a little play taken from real life which were the personal experiences of the author while a guest of the Millard hotel. There were no less than seven chorus sirls that phoned Private Kellog last Tuesday requesting to be booked with his act which is to be introduced at one of Omaha's vaude-

ville houses in the near future." Private Brockett the coal man for the fort has been transferred to the commissary. He was asked how he liked his new job. "Fellows. I don't like it, for I am now working."

Corporal Kauel received his dis-

charge Monday and has accepted have gone to Fort Riley as bakers. out a patch exposed. a position as a civilian employee in the same line, clothing department. And who could say why, when "Fort Omaha has El Paso cheated to death."

Private John Wheeler was seen out in the society of a pretty, nifty looking New York girl who wore brown spats, last week, and it is whispered that she came here to ascertain as to the date of his discharge.

We have heard that Private Tish man has been offered a corporalcy if he remains in the army but Sam does not see it in that manner and and see it in that mainer and says "Captain, what's the use of keeping in, I don't take any interest in what I am doing and go about just like a crazq man," but we don't know about that for, on Sat urday Sam seemed to be very much interested in all the fort activities while escorting two swell looking girls about who played at the Orpheum last week in an act entitled "Clothes," which by the way is right in Sam's line in the army, though in civil life Sam was a

vaudeville booker.

Private McCarvill is also one of the Monday lucky seven and will return to his old line of business, clothing. We all knew right off the bat what Private McCarvill's line is for he had the habit too, rubbing his hands together and doing "Welcome, Mr. Wilson."

Corporal Rhoades was relieved with the other truck drivers from the Q. M. trucks and transferred to the clothing department as the trucks have been taken over by the Transportation Corps. Mule teams are now being used in this fort and it seems like old times back in 1917. "What is an army without a single mule," says Corporal Rhoades.

Corporal Canby and Private Deb insky expect to leave for California Saturday with a detachment of natives of that state to be mustered out at the Presidio. Goodbye,

Assistant Harry Dennison who can make good pies will be transferred to the clothing room soon.

Corporal "Speed" Trutleman of the barn is never happy without tobacco, in fact he consumes large plugs of it in a day's time and if you should stop his team to converse with him the sign language could only be used.
Sergeant Petersen of the commis-

sary entertained some friends with a box party at the Galety theatre recently.

## 47 BALLOON COMPANY.

By Sergeant Lovejoy.

The King is dead, long live the King. This has been the cry of the Forty-seventh for some time, and now we have an oversea officer to command us. Welcome, Lieutenant Taylor.

Sergeant Wiedersum, Sergeant Cornell and Corporal Freitag are newly promoted N. C. O.'s. Good

Sergeant Haney, he of the wholesale "wim, wigor and witality," who livens up the company with his quick, queer quips, has taken out several funeral details lately.

Queer, isn't it?

Sergeant Williams is going to start a little grocery store after the war. He is known as "Cookie," his job is a "snap," and he is in a "pickle" most of the time.

Corporal Hill, our entomological

company clerk, cut himself shaving the other morning. Yes, Mabe!, that is sarcasm.

Corporal Martell Shakespeare Bernhardt Moore has decided that a "Bir "?" on his chevron helps to get a chicken on the knee. Watch for the silver star:

Private Goldberg, our "wise" man Private Goldberg, our wise man of the east, has his discharge.
Private Huron, our famous basketball forward, is going home.
"Sad news." The cooks, Steuart,

Gaston and Graws, are going home, and last but not least, is our Private Wilson, the man who had a smile for everyone.

Several of the sergeants are going in for voice culture. They may be heard in evenings practicing such expressions as "Ease off on that tail," etc. We wonder why. Privates De Long and Fisher

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## 50 BALLOON COMPANY

All present or accounted for! Corporal Norman S. Vog has left on a ten-day furlough for his home in Watertown, S. D.

Private Carl E. Brooks is spend-

ing a ten-day furlough at his home in Medina, N. Y. Private Robert B. Petitt is spend-

ing a ten-day furlough at his home in Coffeyville, Kas. Private Henry Hanson is spend-

ing a ten-day furlough at his home in Flandreau, S. D.

We are sorry to say Corporal L. O. J. Reypens has been taken to the post hospital. Trust it is nothing serious and that he will be with us in a few days.

Sergeant Richard J. Jones, who has been on special duty in field headquarters for several months past has returned to company

Edwards says that Thomasson hasn't must hair to comb, but has lots of face to wash.

We have the pleasure of frequent visits from ex-Corporal Lehners, now a very energetic man of affairs and all decked out in gay array. We don't know but it must ray. be a gr-r-rand and glor-r-rious feel-

On the car cards the World-Herald advertises, "Private Life of the Kaiser." Oh, Boy! if he had Bill in the Fiftieth company we would guarantee him a "private" life that would make some rare literature.

Lieutenant Riggs, medical officer, had his modesty shocked when he inspected the 'boudoir' of Sergeant Stokes, Sergeant Nelson and geant Jones. After the application of several hours of elbow grease by the trio we guarantee that Lieutenant Riggs can get inside and turn around at least.

## 61 BALLOON COMPANY.

Finis C. Ewing.
The men of this company enjoyed

the entertainment given by the girls of the Patriotic league. Thirty-five men attended.

Sergeant Murphy recently assigned to this company from the Sixty-Second company will receive his discharge this week. It seems that he had several friends in the personnel office that aided him in securing this highly prized certif-icate. Ever since Sergeant Murphy reported to this company he has been hard to find. His teeth are in very bad condition so he managed to get appointments with a down town dentist, male or fe-male we do not know, but we are inclined to believe the latter. He has discovered a new way to rab-

bit.
Something that happens real often. What is it? Private Mar-

Something that never happens, to see one of the boys of Sixty-First wearing a well fitting uniform with-

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Private Price leaves this week on furlough. He is bound for South Dakota, but as this is his only chance before the First of July, we advise that travel east or to the land of milk and honey.

Corporal Parrott has been assigned to the engineering department for special duty, by special request. We are informed that a young lady works in this department but we do not know who is to blame for the special request.

Private Sahl sleeps with one eye open and both ears alert, expecting to learn that his application for dis-charge has been approved. We do not doubt that he is entitled to an immediate release and hope that he is awarded.

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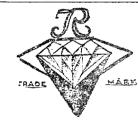
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### 63 BALLOON COMPANY.

It is with deep regrets we announce the loss of our Company Commander, Lieutenant Donald C. Spalsbury, who lost his life in an accident on the Dodge road while in the performance of one of his many duties. The entire company extend their most heartfelt sym-

pathles to his family.

Charles Speaker, Cook Carling and Private Fry in Council Bluffs, visited one of the popular movie theatres. Private Fry passing theatres. Private Fry passing through on a child's ticket. Private Baker has returned from

a ten day furlough to his home. He is full of pep and ready to go back on the job as one of our immenent

I wonder what the attraction is for Sergeant Eads at the several dances he now attends.

St. Harry Higton, why don't you in-iroduce some of us? Don't keep a with Lieutenant Sigbert Norris, troduce some of us? Den't keep a good thing all to yourself.

The eyes of the Sixty-third bal loon company. Sergeant Missig. Watch your step men.

Private Stumpel one of our for mer M. P.'s is now chasing the rabbits around.

This company has been increased by forty men. The total strength is 186. Any person now seeking trouble of any kind call around the Sixty-third company barracks any

The lucky devils receiving their discharges this past week are the following:

Sergeant First Class Lloyd W.

Charlesworth.

A mystery to be solved—Private
First Class Collins the company tailor would like to know why Sergeant Major Smith puts all of his "BEE FARM" junk in ris room, such as unbrellas and etc.

I understand the Mess Sergeant Zabe is appearing in the movies. It is said he appeared in a comedy entitled. At the Sun theater the early part of tihs week.

#### 81 BALLOON COMPANY

The Company has now Captain Goodale, J. M. A., A. S. S. C. in command and are willing to give our best. We were sorry to loose our former Commander, Lieut. C. A. Ogilbee but what is to be done when some one takes him away. Lieut. Ogilbee is still with us and should very much hate to loose such a good man, also have with us Lieut. Bird.

The Company moved from South barracks to barracks No. 3 last week and are ready for whatever my befall it. So let it come. The Company was very much in sorrows when we learned about the different transfers especially the last one of ten men. What do they mean by taking all of our good

Story of the "six" wonders. Mess Sergeant Ferrill has very hard time to keep track of cooks De-Forge and Godesiabois. Sgt. Christaphor one of the new comers is in full charge of the rabbits. Ask him where Sgt. DeYarman and Sgt. Brown are during the day. Rumor has it that 1st Sgt. Bacon would like to know how his six duty Sergenats all sleep in Ferrill's quar-ters, which has only two beds. Sgt. Ferrill stayed "Home" one night last week and seems to be a mys-tery to all. Wonder, was he broke or only badly bent?

For fear of "Bud Fischer" sue-ing for damages, the post Photogra-pher refuses to take a picture of Sergeants DeYarman and Brown.

How about little Mutt and Jeff?
Ol Pop Dowel was so tickled about moving again which is very natural as he has been on the go ever since he arrived, that he just has to have Paulson take his place in the corner for fear it would get

How is the garage treating you Pop? Warm or cold these morn-

Say Dooley the rest of the boys In Squad room six would like to get in on the every evening party at Dolise's. What is the attrac-

Estep and Porter or Porter and Beer Dynamite rather Nitro Glycerine sure is a wonder for he usually locates the best little rabbit hole that is in every outfit he moves in-

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Chauffeur "Alice", the Berry Corporal of No. 6 Squad Room sure has his hands full between, coaxing the rabbits to clean un every morning after going thru a night's ordeal reciting the history of his life fast asleep. It sure is a cruel world. What say you, Alice?

Corporal Fensy rejoices in gett-

for exercises. Say man, how about a little physical torture in the afternoon? We'll all be sorry when we miss Fensy's call, "Everybody out-side." Never mind expressing your opininion, men. All is well.

## Twenty Flying Officers Get Service Crosses in Action.

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ion in order to protect it and con-

tinued to fight off the enemy planes until our lines were crossed. Home address, C. R. Freeman, friend, 489 Fifth avenue, New York First Lieutenant William W. Waring, deceased, aviation section, pilot. For extraordinary heroism in action near Dun-sur-Meuse, France, September 26, 1918. Deem-What is the attraction on Charles ing it impossible to catch their observer, attached themselves to a formation from the Twentieth squadron and engaged in a thirtyfive-minute fight with thirty enemy aircraft. Five of this squadron were lost and the observer of one of the three remaining planes seriously wounded. The wounded man had fallen in a position which made the control of the machine difficult. Lieutenant Waring immediately placed his machine between the enemy formation and the crippled companion in order to protect and continued to fly in this place until our lines were crossed and the enemy scouts driven off. Home address, Mrs. Lucy T. Waring, mother, Franklinville, Catteraugus county, N. Y.

Captain Charles G. Grey, aviation section, Two Hundred and Thirteenth aero pursuit squadron. For extraordinary heroism in action near Montmedy, France, November 4, 1918. While leading a patrol of three machines, Captain Grey-ob-served a formation of our bombing planes hard pressed by twelve of the enemy. He attacked the leading enemy machine without hesitation, thereby attracting the enemy's fire and allowing the bombing machines to escape un-damaged. Home address, Walter C. Grey, father, 217 West Lake street, Chicago, Ill.

First Lieutenant Byren T. Burt, jr., aviation section, observer balloon section. For repeated acts of heroism in action near Gricourt, France, August 4-11; near Sommedieue, France, September 16, and near Avocourt, France, October, 1918. On each of these occasions, Lieutenant Burt remained with his bailoon, making important observa-tions of the enemy's positions and directing our artillery fire, until his balloon was set on fire by incendiary bullets from enemy air-craft. On one occasion he refused to jump until his companion, a student observer, was safely away. Home address, Mrs. Byron T. Burt, 108 West Seventy-third street, New

Second Lieutenant Glen A. Preston, observer, artillery, Ninety-ninth aero squadron. For extraordinary heroism in action near Cunel, France, October 5, 1918. While on a photographic mission, Lieutenant Preston and his pilot were attacked by seven enemy planes (Fokker type) and driven back to our own lines. They almost immediately returned to the same locality without the protection of battle planes and continued to take photographs until attacked by five machines (Pfalz type). They opened fire on this formation and brought down two of them and drove the others away, and then returned with photographs of great importance. Home address, Mrs. Perry O. Davidson, mother,

First Lieutenant James R. Mc-Kay, aviation section, Forty-ninth aero squadron. For extraordinary heroism in action near Doulcon, her 4 patrol of seven planes attacked a group of seventeen enemy planes (Fokker type), Lieutenant McKay remained above to protect from that direction. Without regard to his own danger he attacked alone five more enemy planes which dived into the combat, and pressing the attack, succeeded in breaking up their formation and shooting down one of the enemy planes. Home address, Mrs. James R. Mc-Kay, wife, 725 Wheaton avenue,

Wheaton, Ill. First Lieutenant Donald Hudson aviation section, Twenty-seventh aero squadron. For extraordinary heroism in action near Fere-en-Tar denois, France, in August, 1918, A protection patrol of which Lieu-tenant Hudson, was a member was attacked by a large formation of enemy planes. He was separated from the formation and forced to a low altitude by four enemy planes (Fokker type). He shot down one, drove off the other three, and started to our lines with a

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Albert Ponzo.

ed by two planes. He shot down both of these planes and by great perseverance and determination, succeeded in reaching our lines Home address, Paul Hudson, 1040 Wornell Road, Kansas City, Mo.

First Lieutenant Warren Edwin Eaton, aviation section, One Hundred and Third aero pursuit squadron. For extraordinary heroism in action near Bantheville, France, October, 1918. With one other pilot Lieutenant Eaton engaged an enemy formation of eleven planes (Fokker type), though another hostile formation was directly above After severe combat Lieutenant Eaton destroyed one of the enemy planes and, with his companion, drove down another out of control. Home address, Mrs. Warren E. Eaton, wife, Norwich, N. Y.

First Lieutenant Remington Deb Vernam, pilot, Twenty-second aero squadron. For extraordinary hero-ism in action near Buzancy, France, October 10, 1918. Successfully attaking two enemy balloons, which were moored to their nests, Lieutenant Vernam displayed the highest degree of daring. He executed his task despite the fact that several enemy planes were above him, descending to an altitude of less than ten meters when five miles within the enemy lines. His welldirected fire caused both balloons to burst into flames. Address, Mrs. Philip J. Ross, mother, 66 Broad-

way, New York, N. Y. First Lieutenant John Frost, One Hundred and Third aero pursuit squadron. For extraordinary hero-ism in action near Verneville, France, September 17, 1918. While on patrol duty with two other planes in enemy territory, Lieutenant Frost attacked an enemy formation of eight planes (Fokker type). He attacked at close range and, after a severe combat, succeeded in sending one of the enemy down in flames. With his com-rades, they destroyed in all four planes and by repeated attacks dis-persed the remainder. Home ad-dress, Mrs. Josephine H. Frost, mother, 650 Soledad street, San Antonio, Tex.

Second Lieutenant Meredith L. Dowd, deceased, One Hundred and Forty-seventh aero squadron. For extraordinary heroism in action near Dannevoux, France, October 26, 1918. Having been unable to overtake and join a patrol, Lientenant Dowd alone encountered four German planes, which he daringly attacked. He fought with most wonderful skill and bravery, diving into the formation and send ing one of the enemy to earth. In the course of the combat his machine was disabled and crashed to the earth, killing him in the fall. Next of kin, Mrs. M. L. Dowd, wife,

Rue Bleue, Paris, France.
First Lieutenant Glen Phelps, observer, balloon section. For extraordinary heroism in action near Villiers-sur-Marne, France, July 15, and August 17, 1918, and Chatel-Chenery, France, October 27-30, 1918. While regulating artillery fire from his balloon Lieutenant Phelps; with another observer, was attacked by three enemy planes and forced to jump after his balloon had been set on fire. On four other occasions his balloon was sent down in flames, after being attacked in superior numbers of enemy, but on each occasion he resumed his work just as soon as another balloon could be obtained. Home address, Mrs. W. A. Phelps, mother, 4442 Delmar boulevard, St. Louis, Mo.

Second Lieutenant Clinton Jones, ing the Company out in the moring damaged machine, but was attack- Twenty-second aero squadron. For

extraordinary heroism in action Scriptures. There were 282,229 pernear Landres et St. Georges, France, October 30, 1918. Lieutenant Jones, while attacking four enemy planes (Fokker type), was in turn attacked from above and obliged to dive through a formation of fifteen planes (Fokker type). His plane was riddled, but he managed to destroy one of the enemy machines. Home address, Mrs. Clinton Jones, mother, 2617 Buchanan street, San Francisco,

First Lieutenant Spesserd L. Holland, C. A. C. observer, Twentyfourth aero squadron. For extraor-dinary heroism in action near Bois de Bantheville, October 15, 1918. Flying at an altitude of 400 meters, five kilometers within the enemy lines, Lieutenant Holland and his pilot, Lieutenant George A. Goldthwaite, continued on their mission in spite of being harassed by antiaircraft, securing information of great military value. Home ad-dress, Mrs. B. F. Holland, mother. Barlow, Fla.

Captain Maury Hill, A. S., pilot, Twenty-fourth aero squadron. For extraordinary heroism in action near Conflans, France, November 2, 1918. While on a photographic mission of a particularly dangerous character, Captain Hill and his observer, Lieutenant John W. Cousins, were attacked by superior numbers of enemy pursuit planes. During the combat which ensued his skill and coolness enabled his observer to destroy one of the enemy aircraft. Home address, Walker Hill, father, Mechanics-American National bank, St. Louis, Mo.

First Lieutenant Penrose V. Stout, air service, Twenty-seventh aero squadron. For extraordinary heroism in action near Charny, France, September 28, 1918. While engaged in a solitary pairel of the engaged in a solitary patrol of the enemy lines, Lieutenant Stout attacked an artiflery regulating ma-chine. He was almost immediately attacked by five enemy planes, and subjected to infantry and anti-aircraft fire, but fearlessly continued the unequal fight until his machine guns were broken and he was shot through the shoulder and lung. Home address, Frank R. Chambers, Bronxville, N. Y.

First Lieutenant Clair A. Kinney deceased, air service, Forty-Ninth aero squadron. For extraordinary heroism in action near Doulcon, France, October 4, 1918. With a patrol of six other machines Lieutenant Kinney attacked seventeen enemy planes, Fokker type. Diving into the midst of the enemy forma-tion he fired into one of the German planes, and pursued it until it crashed to the ground, though he was wounded by another Fokker, which attacked him from the rear After maneuvering to escape his pursuer Lieutenant Kinney immediately attacked another enemy plane directly in front of him, and forced it to the ground. In so doing he was fired upon from behind by another Fokker, several bullets striking him in the body and another setting fire to his gas tank. other setting fire to fits gas tank.

He succeeded in making a safe landing. This gallant officer has since died of his wounds. Next of kin, Mrs. M. P. Kinney, mother, Endicoit, Wash.

First Lieutenant Ora R. McMurry, aviation section. Forty-Ninth

ry, aviation section, Forty-Ninth aero squadron. For the following act of extraordinary heroism in action near Toges and La Croix-aux-Rois, France, October 20, 1918, Lieutenant McMurry is awarded a bar to be worn with the distinsuished service cross awarded him November 25, 1918. After becom-ing separated from his patrol be-cause of motor trouble this officer encountered and attacked five enemy planes (Fokker), and succeeded in shooting down one of them. Home address, Mrs. J. C. McMurry, mether, Evansville, Wis.

## "Y" REPORT SHOWS **ACTIVITIES OF BOYS**

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7,570 lectures were heard by 2,202, 810 soldiers and sailors. The 68,272 classes of various kinds drew 1,394, 418 and the 982 science and art clubs 62,530. For the American Library association the "Y" passed out 1,423,688 books.

The number of participants in

athletic contests under the direction of the "Y" was greater than the number of spectators. There were 5,398,295 in the contests, and 4,437,017 "looking on."

The 902 workers in the 131 huts in the army and navy camps and the 184 S. A. T. C. units passed out to America's fighting men 510,432



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sonal interviews on the subject of religion; 52.754 decisions to accept the Christian faith and 117,770 signed the "war roll," pledging

themselves to a Christian life.
The 17,361 entertainments not including movies, drew 6,731,646 soldiers and sailors.

The fighting men were thrifty. In the period covered by the report the "Y" sent home for the enlisted men \$3,996,025 in money orders.

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#### DON'T BESMIRCH THE UNIFORM

The first decision a large percentage of soldiers arrive at when they get a discharge in their hand is to go out and get drunk.

It is admitted that civilians will have the right to participate in this international pastime until after the first of July. It is likewise true that these men who have their discharges are civilians though they still wear the uniform of a soldier. So perhaps after all they have the privilege of going out and getting drunk if deadening one's brain and nerves in alcohol can be considered a PRIVILEGE.

But to the public at large when a man in uniform is seen intoxicated he is a DRUNKEN SOLDIER. It is not giving a square deal to the great majority of men in uniform for a civilian in the uniform of a soldier to commit acts which undeniably bring discredit to that uniform.

SOLDIER OF THIS MAN'S ARMY, when you get your discharge do nothing while in the uniform to besmirch it. If you must get drunk to celebrate your return to civilian status go out and fill up with bad booze, but take off the uniform first.

#### RABBITS, BEWARE!

The season for rabbits is open. Rabbit hunting is in full swing. This time, however, it is not a case of the rabbits being hunted. The rabbits themselves are doing the hunting, hunting ways and means of keeping away from anything that approaches work.

In the army a rabbit is a fellow

who lives by quick jumps and long stops—especially long stops. The only jumps that he takes are to get away from doing something. His slogan is "Let George do it."

And if George isn't around why he believes in leaving it up to who-ever chances to be. And he does not care particularly whether anyone happens to be handy.

However, the post administra-tion has also started rabbit hunting. It is HUNTING RABBITS.
And after they have found the rabbits they find something for them

There is plenty of work in this post to keep every member of the command busy. And besides a few days or weeks or months will pass much more quickly in work than in

So rabbits beware—settle down, tark time and find something to do unless you rather have someone else find something for you to do. For if this is necessary undoubtedly you will get enough of work to keep you busy.

THE BEST-FED ARMY.

"The American army is the best fed army in the world. British, Italians, French and Canadians Italians, French and Canadians have a training ration and a trench or campaign ration, the latter, of course, being higher in energy value than the former. American troops use the same ration throughout the service. Whether the solution is the service of the service o dier is in a cantonment or in the trench, his food is equally abundant, the only difference being that the list of substitute foods in France is not so extensive as in the training camp here. In both cases the United States ration possesses more energy value than any of the foreign trench or campaign or combat rations," says Robert F. Wilson in the Century.

"The Italian ration allowance is 3,000 calories daily. This is low, but it is, as far as we know, higher

than the German army ration. Next in the upward scale is the French ration of 3,600 calories, then the British of 4,300 calories; and on top of all our American soldiers' daily allowance of from 4,690 to 5,000 calories.

these figures, after: mean little; for neither the British nor the American soldiers come anywhere near consuming their allowances. In fact, including the waste, high as it is, the American soldier can get away with only 3,900 calories daily in the messes that bave been analyzed, while his net consumption amounts to only 3,635 calories per day.

"The American soldier, however, gets much more meat than his British comrade, a pound and a quarter a day against the Britisher's pound, and in that respect the American fares the best in the world, because meat is the most appetizing of foods."—Lane Field Loops.

#### APPRECIATION.

The effort that is being made by our leaders in the air service help the enlisted man re-establish himself in civil life after his discharge has been granted, is a matter deserving of the highest com-mendation. It bespeaks the spirit mendation. It bespeaks the spirit of co-operation and friendliness and is entirely in accord with the lofty ideals that have become conspicuous in every branch of America's

Whatever benefits one, is a benefit to all mankind, and the act of anticipating, and helping to meet the needs of the men who will be released from the service, is certain to yield good fruit and to re-flect creditably upon those who have assumed this sponsorship. It is not with the spirit of boast-

fulness to say that the men engaged in the air service, are men whose native ability is far above This is a matter of the average. common knowledge. To gain admission into this branch of the service the requirements were well defined. Under the very able tu-torship of our leaders, these men, during their enlistment have reached a very high state of pro-ficiency in mechanics and various professions. Therefore, it is gratifying to know that this great body of men when they do return to civil life will have something worth while to offer their prospective employers. It is in knowing that the employers will be the greatest ben-eficiaries of this skill and knowledge, that the officers have no hesitancy in contributing their full support to the enterprise. The support to the enterprise. The plan is certain to be accorded the highest consideration of every individual affected, including officers, men and employers.—Rockwell Field Flight.

### HEADQUARTERS NOTES, FORT CROOK, NEB.

There has been quite a few changes in headquarters since our last appearance in the Gas Bag, first of which, and the one we most dislike to report is the loss of our fair telephone operators who have been replaced by "rough neck" regulars, but at any rate, there is one advantage to the change, which is "we miss the sounds of hob-nails in the hallway going to and from the operating room." The rabbits have another hiding place now.

Sergeant Deland has gone from our midst, having been discharged January 15, who has been replaced as sergeant major by Sergeant Cooper, who was formerly person-

nel sergeant at this place. Much to our surprise and amaze ment Private Fay, our famous bugler, has turned out to be a regu lar heart breaker. He is there with the goods when it comes to this 'honey stuff" over the phone, then the following morning gets an en-larged portrait by special messen-That's going some in our es-

ger. That's going timation.

Private Kitching, our detachment clerk, is one of these He says if it isn't one thing it's another to keep him in the army. He gets sick every time he thinks he is about to get a discharge; he doesn't know whether he belongs in the personnel office or the hospital, but at any rate he takes it all very good naturedly, except when he is too sick to get out. Note, he has a consoler in Council Bluffs.

SIX PLACES



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HOSPITAL, FT. CROOK.

Sergeant First Class B Beck-ley was operated on last week. He is doing nicely and we hope to see him back at his desk in a short

time.

Since starting discharge papers on Sergeant Ronald Crawford (lady killer) he hasn't been worth three whoops around the hospital. She's a monkey house lately as far as the unfortunate discharges are concerned.

Sergeants Crawford, Deardorff and Nicholson received a pleasant surprise in the way of commissions as first lieutenants in the dental reserve corps. If we ever have another mix up, Crawford says he's going to get in right away.

Prince isn't sure yet, but say's he's got some valuable information as to the wherefore and wherewith. The rest of the detachment should consider themselves lucky,

Lieutenant Kimberlin received his discharge and suppose it won't be long before he is back at Trenton snaring tonsils and looking in-

Lieutenant Rolland R. Ensor re ceived orders to report to Camp Travis, San Antonia, Tex., a few days ago and no doubt, at this writing is holding sick call at that place. His wife expects to meet him at a later date.

Miles and Moynahan have been exploring the "suburbs" around Omaha the last few days. After drawing about \$100 a piece, they have about \$20 left. We don't know where it went, and as they don't play poker or shoot craps, we surmise that their better halfs came in for their share. "Oh, Moyne" are you there?

Private Edwards is taking over the sick and wounded desk, to-gether with the mess. Here's hoping he does a better job than our Omaha friend, Murphy Milder Quoting Roche, "Stomach robber." Milder.

## MOTOR TRANSPORT

CORPS, FT. CROOK Maurice J. Frank. Lieutenant Clapp has been in charge of the motor transport corps the past week. He relieved Lieutenant McEntire, who left for Arcadia, Cal., to finish his aero course. Lieutenant McEntire expects to return in about six weeks.

Things are getting pretty serious these days. Sergeant C. L. Casper was married February 1. wish him the best of luck and happiness under the circumstances. (We bachelors can't understand these things.) Casper should have waited until the fourteenth of the month and then he would be his wife's little valentine (comic).

Upon Drews' return from a furlough, someone asked him if he still wanted to reenlist. He answered in his slow southern drawl that he would but "papa" wouldn't let him. "Papa" says he won't support his wife for three years more and that he must come home and go to work That will be hard for Drew.

If anyone thinks Lynch don't know his traffic rules they are badly mistaken. Johnny recited them almost verbatum for the C. O.

the other day.
"Sergeant" Hinie claims he is the motor transport corps "slave." Pgor boy does work so hard (hand-shaking). He is walking around the garage lately with a forlorn look in his eye. He must be lonesome for his Sixty-third company or else in love. Which, Hinie?

Orders from headquarters have essened the number of trucks and touring cars used. We are only using about eight trucks now and two

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Our company commander, Lieut. Burgess and Mrs. Burgess have returned from a very enjoyable trip to Massachusetis.

Lieut. Toston, who has long been desirous of getting a hair cut, has been very busy handling supplies, putting up hangars, etc. He has finally set aside next Saturday as the date for the event and we hope that he will have the best of luck. Lieut. Dezendorf, star Fort Oma-

ha football player has recently been assigned to the company for duty. Lieut. Taylor has been relieved from duty with this company and is assigned to the 74th.

Sgt. Hildebrand: Andy, what is the first thing you'll do when you get your discharge?

Sgt. Anderson: The first thing I do will be a "parade rest" in front of Dinty Moore's bar till the first of July.

Private Tate has just come back from a furlough bringing the information that he favors married women.

We asked Sgt. Flanders why South Omaha is like Tuxedo tobacco and he said "your nose knows." He sure hit it right, ask anyone at

## 74 BALLOON COMPANY FORT CROOK, NEB.

George E. Gray. Sergeant Gillin just will not stay put. His latest stunt was the pur chasing of a marriage license. John surely is a persistent cuss, he couldn't get over to fight so we presume his intentions are to get it regardless. His system is one that just naturally requires a certain amount of trouble at all times.

Some day they're going to miss our Bugler Fay, who is continually wearing one of these "I can't live without her expressions," which can mean but one thing in our estimation??

Sergeant Canny, who presides so ably over our mess hall refuses to give up the idea that we are all going to be home this month. tomistic is too mild for this chap. Wonder how he gets that way.
Things to worry about: We have

our own balloon now and expect to be flying it in a short time. "Haul down on the tail" is already getting to be a favorite expression among the boys.
Our C. O. Lieutenant Weber, was

called away by the illness of his father. We hope it proves nothing serious and that his trip will turn out one of pleasure.

The guy that spreads those discharge rumors around here is getting to be an awful pest. his death will be soon and horrible. We can wish him nothing more.

Totman, our night guard, continues to get unreasonably fat, which is causing our supply sergeant, Gray, lots of sleepless nights trying to figure out just where to get a uniform to fit this so unevenly distributed 245 pounds. Gray is claiming it can't be done.

If we were only out we could appreciate more fully perhaps that new song they are singing "After the First of July" as it is though it means little or nothing in our

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Sergeant Cooper is complaining that in proportion to the amount of work he has the days are too short by twelve hours. He is also on the lookout for the guy who started the rumor that the war is over.

We all enjoyed the boxing and wrestling match which the Sixtieth company put on at the Knights of Columbus hall the other night. Keep up the good work, boys.

#### QUARTERMASTER CORPS FORT CROOK, NEB.

Pvt. Leland Cashman has been promoted from K. P. to chief mail orderly, also he has a few odd tobs on the side, washing typewriter

returned from the hospital after having an operation, is now home on furlough.

Sgt. Patton was lucky enough to get a discharge. Everybody asked him how he did it.

Mach, the baker, is still having some time with his lady friends.

Lieut. Hall's wife went home on a visit, so beware girls.

Johnson and Mach, the bakers, went to the show Wednesday evening and Mach gave Johnson \$1 to get him a box seat, to Mach's surprise he found himself sitting in the balcony. He still claims Johnson owes him 45 cents.

## K. OF C. HUT.

O. R. Shafer.
The amusements that took place at Fort Crook K of C hall during the week:

Monday evening the boys enjoyed one of the best comic motion pictures that ever came to Fort Crook, "Fatty Arbuckle" in the Sheriff."

Wednesday held for the boys what is called by us as a "Keen Time." It consisted of boxing, wrestling, and vocal music, all pro duced by home talent of the 60th balloon company.

Thursday our old friend Douglas Fairbanks entertained us with one of his famous films entitled, "Douglas Fairbanks in Reaching for the

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#### CURRENT EVENTS.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mallory are expecting their son home from France soon, according to word re-cently received from him. He is at present stationed at Le Mands,

Lieutenant Frederick Look, of Kingston, New York, recently re-turned from France, is visiting in Omaha. Lieutenant Look is, in the engineering division and will be remembered by a number of Omaha people with whom he made friends during his winter spent here.

Mr. Lindamen, violinist, was the guest of the Smiles club and played delightfully for them.

Word has been received from Ralpm Magrum, who until recently was the soviety editor of the Gas Bag, that he is a happy civilian.
Captain Myers, Fifty-first Canadi-

an artillery, called on Private Merrill E. L. Hooven for a chat Monday afternoon, much to the surprise and delight of that young

#### Y. M. C. A.

Lieutenant Colonel Jacob W. S. Wuest has been away on a four day leave of absence.

Lieutenant Stewart R. Kirkpatrick has been granted a fourteenday leave of absence.

er and Yarborough.

Lieutenant Clapp is appointed as officer in charge of motor transport corps.

Lieutenant George McEntire has been transferred to Arcadia, Cal. Lieutenant Roy F. Marti, appoint-

ed to assistant personnel officer.

#### DANCES.

Friday evening a Valentine party and dance will be given by the Joan of Arc club at the Metropoli-tan hall. The soldiers of the post are invited to attend.

Also on Friday evening the Smies club will entertain the boys of Fort Omaha and Fort Crook with a Valentine party and dance at Hart hall in Dundee. This popular club is noted for its hospitality and the good times it gives the

The Angelus club—a Patriotic league, will give a dance Thursday night, February 13, at Druid hall, 24th and Ames, for the members of the club and their friends, which of course includes the men in uniform.

A Valentine party will be given Friday evening, February 14, at Kelpine's dancing academy by the employees of Paxton & Gallagher for the benefit of charity fund. This party will be in the nature of a the funniest girl and man.

A home-coming party for sol-diers and sailors will be given February 28, by the ladies of the St. Cecelia parish.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mallory, are giving a dinner Saturday evening at the Athletic club in honor of Lieut. Frederick Look of Kingston, N. Y. Others attending the dinner will be Others away on leave are Lieut. Lieut. and Mrs. Drake, Lieut. and tenants Wm. S. Taylor, Harry Web- Mrs. Ralph Reynolds and Miss Lucy Updike.

Mrs. Crawford and Mrs. Young, gave a tea Thursday, for the ladies of the post.

Mrs. A. Leo Stevens, whose friends will be glad to note her return, gave a tea Friday for the ladies of the post and her friends.

Lieutenant John W. Frewer has Mrs. Wedemeyer gave a tea Wedbeen assigned to the photographic nesday afternoon at her home but.

## K. OF C. NOTES.

Secretary R. E. Seaton, who has been on the staff since last September, has resigned and accepted a per, has resigned and accepted a position as secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Fergus Falls, Minn. Mr. Seaton was not only large in stature but also in heart and his faithful work in the hospital during the flu epidemic and since has made him many friends who wish him wall in his new results. who wish him well in his new po-

Hon. Norris Brown, formerly a United States senator from Nebrasa, delivered the address at the Roosevelt memorial service last Sunday morning. Senator Brown knew Mr. Roosevelt personally.

Monday evening, Rev. Leavens talked to men only on "Married Life." The men are always glad to hear Mr. Leavens on any subject and they considered what he said Monday night as preeminently words of good sense and wisdom.

Wednesday evening a large audi ence greatly enjoyed an excellent combination of masquerade and musical program rendered by the carnival, as prizes will be awarded orchestra directed by Prof. Henry

> Last Thursday evening, Rev. Mr. Taft, of Grace Baptist church, spoke and several duets were sung by Mr. and Mrs. Perry J. Rushlau.

## ON FLIGHT.

There was a dance Wednesday evening at the K. C. hut at Fort Omaha, held by the Victory Girls. The usual movies were held on Tuesday evening at the Fort Oma-

The D. T. A. club gave a dance at the Florence field hut Wednes-

into commercial usages from the experience and new born Meas of

## Lucy Gates and the Trio De Sutece

Among the large audience seated expectantly in the Brandeis Thursday evening, there were few who were fully prepared for the zenith of excellence which was revealed to them in the delightful concert numbers of Miss Lucy Gates, "The Sweet Little Girl of Utah," and her assisting artists, "The Trio de Lutece." No terms are too extrava-gant to use in praise of their ac-complishments, which were so exquisitely performed that it seemed almost too good to be true. When the evening was over, the crowd silently left the theater with hearts thrilled with the sweetness impressed by the wonderful artists hey had just heard; souls were too full for expression. It had been like standing on a peak of the might; range of the Rockies, viewing the immensity of the handiwork of God, stretching farther and farther than the eye could compass, into seeming infinity, and then trying to express the degree of its grandeur

with words. What has been said of Miss Gates is also true of the "Trio de Lutece." It is rare beyond belief that such a trio of artists, all possessing the same characteristics to such a finished degree, may be found. It is also new to us that a flute may be used as an instrument ums unite with a single purpose, of such infinite expression, but in and practically the only thing left the hands of Mr. Barrere it possessed an exceptional quality all its own in the symphony of the three artists, and in the instrumental numbers it took turn with the harp and 'cello in marking the way for the other instruments, carrying the theme ,either alone or assisted, with a subtle grace of expression

that was a distinct tevelation.

Mr. Salzedo, the harpist, who also provided piano accompaniment for the vocalist on accasion, and Mr. Kefer, the 'cellist were not one whit less deserving of praise in the masterful way in which they filled their share of the program. Lack of space alone compels us to shorten the eulogy which they most

certainly merit. The concert was given as one of the series of concerts by world fa-mous artists brought to this city through the offices of the Tuesday Musical club.

Miss Madeline Kendall, our own

## D. T. A. Club Girls Lighten Soldiers' Days With "Chow" and Dances



Left to right: Miss Polly Rhyno, and vaudeville acts. Games revived publicity director; Miss Reina Ford, vice president; Miss Emma Kissling, president.

The "D. T. A." club, signifying "Democracy to All," was organized October, 1917, to help win the war by providing clean, wholesome en-tertainment for soldiers stationed and patriotic affairs the 120 members, who have chosen these offi-cers for the current year: Miss Emma Kissling, president; Miss Reina Ford, vice president; Miss Anna Jirous, secretary, and Miss Helen Dolan, treasurer. Miss Rhyno

is publicity director.

For facility in directing social and patriotic affairs the 120 members are grouped in five companies of twenty-four girls each. Captains of these companies are the Misses Blanche Homan, Nina Embree, Vivian Reilly, Bertha Meyers and Polly Rhyno. Each company is divided into three squads of eight girls, and it is the duty of each squad to take turn in entertaining men in uniform at the weekly meetings. Under the captain of each company there are a lieutenant and three corporals.

Has Social Adviser.

Mrs. Charles A. Malory, the social adviser for the club, is untiring in her efforts to make the organization a success. Mrs. Mallory not only attends every social gathering of the club, but has repeatedly opened her beautiful home in Dundee to the soldier boys and placed her library and delightful music room at their

disposal.

The "D. T. A." girls originated the plan of "open house" at the W. W. C. A. once a week for men in uniform and a different squad each week presents the program, including readings, musical stunts

Tuesday afternoon. voice has a rich, pleasant quality of tone that gives her welcome in Omaha musical circles. She has previously sang before Omaha and Council Bluffs gatherings.

The Amateur Musical club nished a very interesting program Monday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. R. W. Breckenridge, 3611 Jackson St.

The musical was opened by an eight-hand, two-piano selection, given by Miss Eugenie Whitmore, Mrs. Walter Silver, Miss Adelyn Wood, and Mrs. A. W. Gordon, who also gave a similar closing number.

Mrs. Harry Steele, Mrs. Harry Nicholson, Mrs. Walter Silver and Mrs. Ed Baird, rendered vocal selections. A trio, Mrs. Joseph Barker, violinist; Miss Von Mannsfelde, 'cellist, and Miss Whitmore, panist, was also presented.

The proceeds were to benefit the building fund of the First Central Congregational church.

## MME. SAMAROFF WILL BE HERE FEBRUARY 21

The Tuesday Musical club will present Mme. Olga Samaroff in pi-ano recital at the Brandels theater Friday evening, February 21, at 8:15 o'clock.

Mme. Samaroff, the noted American artist, is of Russian name, but is a native of the United States, and made her initial appearance here with the New York Symphony orchestra, following her studies at the Paris Conservatorie.

from childhood days are a feature of every party, these being played in the "gym,"

No party is complete without "cats," so these girls provide all so these girls provide all sorts of viands for their guests, and it is said that the young soldiers love to sneak into the kitchen as the Y. W. C. A. to help "dish up the goodies," keeping in practice, you know, and developing the 'home' spirit.

A dance is given once a month financed by collections among the girls. And it proves a real sacrifice. too, for all the chewing gum, candy, and entertainments, and unnecessary frills are tabooed, that "D. 🏗 girls may give their share in little coin boxes, to the amusement

Not only do these girls exercise heir "fighting spirit" in self-sacrifice that soldiers here may be ens tertained; they have contributed to the joy of some "over there." The club gave \$100 to the Red Cross; filled a cookie jar monthly at the Army and Navy club; collected much valuable material from business offices for the Red Cross sale vage shop; entertained the soldiers as told, furnished the hostess house at Fort Omaha; provided a Victrola for the nurses' but in France and knitted "afghan" blanket for a convalescent hospital overseas.

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## FINE ARTS SECTION By Merril E. L. Hooven

# Proves Success.

The benefit program given by the Girls' Patriotic League clubs of the War Camp Community service at the Brandeis theater Saturday night, was a distinct achievement in amateur theatricals, and really deserves a prominent place in the annuals of the city's theater season.

The program was divided into three parts—a character play, "The Soldiers' Reverie,' written and directed by Miss Mary Marston, a well known Omaha girl; second, a well known Omaha girl; second, a dancing sketch given by Mr. Chambers' pupils, and directed by Min, followed by Oliver Goldsmith's comedy, "David Garick," directed by Mr. A. H. Johnson.

Every participant in the program was a girl, and my! what a host of them; They were all quite talented and much credit is dut. to

talented, and much credit is dut to the directors of the entertainment in their skillful handling of the cast to produce the several features in such a manner as to make the most of each girl's personal ability. It was all good, beyond exand in the first sketch, Grace Mahaffey in the character of "Sis Hopkins," and the five canteen girls, drew marked applause from the Ft. Omaha boys, who had a section of the theater reserved for

The hit of the evening was the appearance of litle Martha Doty, one of Mr. Chambers' pupils, a wee tot who took part in nearly all of the dancing sketches. She was simply marvelous in her Terpischorean exhibition, and carried the entire audience with her.

Marjorie Carrigan, in the masculine role of Simon Ongot in "David Garick," took the part of the irate, impulsive father of sterling character and only the best interests of his beloved and only child at heart as he saw it; her characterization of the part gives her prominent notice by reason of her

superb acting. The Patriotic League band, ten girls under the direction of Signor Tolomeo, also helped to further the entertainment. Their musical numbers were excellent, and their debut made a good showing, speak-

W. C. C. S. Evening ing with great promise for their future appearances.

## Poster Exhibit at Public Library

In the travail of the recently ended struggle of humanity for the democratic ideal, Art has given birth to a new creature of the age

the War Poster. Commercial posters have heretofore been constantly before the public eye, causing little or no comment from art circles because of their crude and generally inar-tistic design; their value lying in that they served as a pictoral brickbat to hit the public between the eyes; each poster designer striv-ing to make his production just a

little more lurid and violent than any others, with practically no regard for the possibilities lying therein for artistic expression.

However, in the appearance of the War Poster, we find the fore-most illustrators of the Allied nations seeking to present a subject so universal in its treatment and so direct in its appeal that all medication of the particular psychological theme that will appeal to the respective national element of which the artist is a part. Each nation has its own traditions, its own customs, and its own pet aversions, and the effort of the War Poster designer to touch a responsive chord in the composite soul of his country forms an interesting study on the combined basis of Art and Psychology, differentiated

by nations. by nations.

There is now on exhibition at the Public Library a large collection of War Posters from the Allied nations, by their best designers; sixty-four of them in all, from Great Britain, France, Russia, Italy, Canada, Australia and the United States, guite worth a trin to see. States; quite worth a trip to see. They will remain on view until next Monday, and offer an interesting attraction. It is also interesting to speculate on the future of the poster as a subject of Art— whether or not the sense of mass whether or not the sense of mass appeal will be lost by the illusing melodies, "The Four-leaf trators as the supreme cause no clover," and "The Sandman," belonger exists, or will it be worked fore the North Omaha Literary



# SPORTING - NEWS



NO "FITE NITE"!

Through error it was published in an Omaha newspaper Sunday that another big "fite nite" that another big "fite nite" would be held at Fort Omaha. Major Boettcher, officer in charge of athletics, has announced that no more fights will be staged. The reason, he says, is because most of the boxers have been discharged.

## Balloon Men Play Foot-Ball in France

Football is a favorite pastime with the balloon service men of the American expeditionary forces. In a letter to the Gas Bag, Sergeant James Devlin of the Eighth balloon company declares the men spend much of their time at this sport when off duty. Sergeant Devlin left Fort Omaha

with one of the first consignments of troops. In his letter he declares the sporting page of the Gas Bag is read with interest by the balloon service men "over there." • A schedule is being played off by

the balloon companies stationed at the balloon concentration camp at Ville sur Cousances, France. Sergeant Devlin writes that the weather in France is ideal for football, saying that if it holds out games will be staged all winter.

In the first game of the season the Tenth balloon company defeated the Eighth balloon company, 6

to 0 on Christmas day.
On December 30 the Eighth company came back strong and defeated the Eleventh company 12 to 0. The game was fast, Devlin says. The line-up:

Eleventh Co.--Eighth Co. Eleventh Co.—
Toft re Devlin
Frude rt Young
Anderson rg Menneke
Manielli c Greenberg
Maroney lg Jaeschke
Powers lt McCabe
Nichols le Morrison
Kelly qb Williams
Porter rh Andrake
Kimes lh Ham 

nies played a fast, scoreless game on New Year's day. The teams lined up:

Eleventh Co.

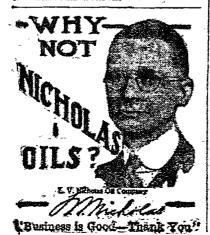
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Porter C Finch
Maroney lg Cozad
Chambers lt Clements
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Nichols qb Myers
Robison rh Pratt
Kimes lh Witmers
Kelly fb Hoffman

## SPORT BRIEFS

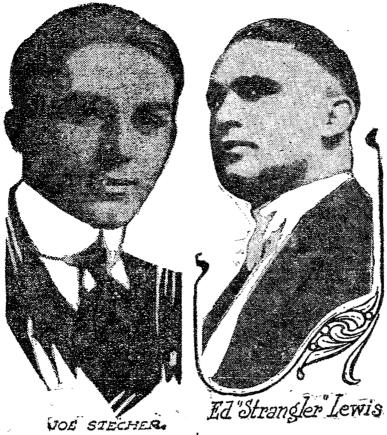
Nevada will make a bid for the Nevada will make a bid for the Willard-Dempsey fight for the heavyweight championship of the world. The first step was the introduction of a bill in the legislature allowing twenty-five-round contests. It is expected to pass with a high license clause. Only tenround bouts are allowed at ten-round bouts are allowed at present.

Jack Barry, former Red Sox manager, has signed a contract to play with the Boston Americans this season. He was recently discharged from the navy.

Al Orth, formerly National league ampire, writes President Heydler that Grover Cleveland Alexander, Nebraska boy, and star pitcher ofthe Cubs, may be returned from France in time for the opening of



Stecher and Lewis Sign to Meet for Huge Purse



Chicago, III.-Ed ("Strangler") Lewis of Lexington, challenger of the heavyweight wrestling championship, and Joe Stecher of Dodge, Neb., the former champion, were matched to meet in a finish contest here March 3, for a purse of \$10,000. The winner will receive \$6,000 and the loser \$4,000, in addition to the motion picture privi-

The match, according to the articles, must result in a decisive victory, or the spectators will have their money refunded. It will be the fourth meeting between Lewis and Stecher. The men wrestled for five hours without a fall in Omaha, in 1917. Prior to that they met in a two-hour draw at Evans-ville, Ind., and again in New York they wrestled for two hours without a fall.

## "MATTY" MAY RUN

NEW YORK GIANTS New York.—Christy Mathewson may become manager of the New York Giants, according to reports in well informed baseball circles here. While official confirmation of the report is not obtainable, the fact that Pat Moran signed a contract to succeed Mathewson as manager of the Cincinnati Reds is

regarded as significant.

Mathewson, who is in France as a captain in the chemical service of the United States army, failed to answer a cablegram from President Market States army. dent Herrmann of the Cincinnati club concerning a renewal of his contract. John J. McGraw, who recently acquired part ownership of the Giants, is reported to be anx-ious to relinquish the burdens of active field management. McGraw and Mathewson have been close friends for years.

#### KEWPIE ERTLE TO TRY COME-BACK THIRD TIME St. Paul. Minn.-Johnny Ertle of

St. Paul, who flashed to fame as a bantamweight and then dropped to bantamweight and then dropped to third with a swing to the jaw. Bart-semioblivion with equal speed, is making a third attempt to come last four rounds. The fifth and

The "Kewpie" has signed a con-iract with Mike Collins, former manager of Fred Fulton, who will attempt to put Ertle back in the championship class. In this other veteran managers had failed. Collins is unwilling to believe that Ertle, who is only 21 years old, is through as a fighter.

## MILWAUKEE CLUB SOLD TO ROWLAND

Milwaukee, Wis.—It was officially announced that the deal transferring the Milwaukee Association baseball club to Clarence Rowland, recently manager of the Chicago White Sox, and Hugh Brennan of Chicago, was closed. The announcement came from Owner A. F. Timme's office.

Bartfield Battles Ortega.

Milwaukee, Wis.—Soldier Bartfield, Brooklyn welterweight, and Battling Ortega of San Francisco, fought a ten-round draw. Some sporting writers thought Bartfield entitled to a slight shade. Ortega had the advantage in the early rounds, upsetting the soldier in the

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# DEMPSEY SIGNS NAME TO WILLARD CONTRACT

Agreement Is Complete for World's Heavyweight Boxing Championship.

Parties Cross Hudson River to Avoid Law Violation in Pact.

New York.—Tex Rickard, who is promoting a world's heavyweight championship bout agreement between Jess Willard and Jack Dempsey, has obtained the signature of Dempsey. In order that there would be no legal flaw in the agreement, Rickard and Dempsey and the latter's manager, Jack Kearns, crossed to the Chicago Nationals as coach the Hudson river and signed the articles in the ferry house at Weehawken, N. J. A number of newspaper men were present when the papers were signed and the wit-nesses who signed the agreement were Ike Dorgan and Jack Skelly, a former featherweight champion. The trip to New Jersey was made to avoid a possible violation of the laws of the state of New York if the signatures were affixed to the

papers in this city.

Dempsey left at once to begin a six weeks theatrical tour at Union-

Under the agreement Dempsey is to receive \$27,500 and one-third of the motion picture privileges, while the champion is to get \$100,000 and one-third of the picture privileges. The articles call for a bout not to exceed forty rounds.
Rickard said he was satisfied

with the progress he had made so far, and would leave here in a few

To Hold Boxing Match in Council Chamber

Chicago, Ill.-Boxing contests will be held in a ring in the city council chamber, in the interest of a bill legalizing boxing in the state, now pending before the legislature. Aldermen and oth-ers interested in the measure will be the spectators. The box-ers will be recruited from men at the Great Lakes naval training station and from profes-

days to look over sites in various places throughout the country where the big contest could be

#### OTTO KNABE ACCEPTS OFFER TO COACH CUBS

Chicago, Ill.-Otto Knabe, the veteran baseball star, will return this season. Fred Mitchell was advised that Knabe, who is in business in Philadelphia with "Kid" Gleason, manager of the Chicago Americans, had arranged his affairs so that he could return to the Chicago Cubs.

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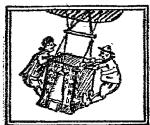


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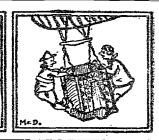
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Dat's dis heah ahplane stuff-No

Ah'll bah some othah kin' ob cross, Lak drive a mule er tote a gun, But Ah ain't flirtin' wif de sun— Huh-uh! Not me!

Ef Ah mus' do a loop-de-loop Let mine be 'roun' some chicken coop.

It ain't gwine to be up whah de crows Kin say Ah's trompin on their

toes-Huh-uh! Not me!

It sho' look sweet, Ah don't deny, To go a-oozin' throe de sky, But dat's fo' folks dat's in de mood To pass up love an' gin an' food-Huh-uh! Not me!

Down heah Ah fus' saw light ob

Down heah am whah Ah's gwine t' stay.

Folks, Ah don't care to hab ma feet Git too blamed proud to walk de street-

Huh-uh! Not me!

So Ah'll des wait till Gabr'el brings Dem good, ole-fashion' angel wings Den as Ah pass de ahplanes by, In pity Ah'll look down an' sigh-Uh-hur! Not me!

## "A SOFT ANSWER-"

The ship was rocking menacingly and the deck in the "dining room" —down in the hold—was exceeding-ly slippery, but the soldier, mess kit in hand, was making fair progre until his elbow was joggled. His liquid dropped from his cup on to

the neck of an irate fellow private.

"For the luvamike, have a care,
Jack," the victim blazed. "You've spilled your dingdonged coffee all over me.'

The culprit smiled pleasantly. "You're wrong, Buddy, that was tea."-Judge.

#### R. O. T. C. WORK IS OUTLINED

A recent report of the committee on education and special training shows that the educational institutions of this country are ready and eager to co-operate with the war department in the training of reserve officers for the army. Requests for the privilege of establishing units of the Reserve Officers' Training corps have been received from more than 350 institutions, including practically all the larger uni-versities and colleges as well as many of the smaller schools and high schools. About 250 of these schools have been authorized to maintain these schools, and officers are being assigned as professors of military science and tactics.

Special emphasis is to be placed upon the theoretical military work during the school year. Field artillery, coast artillery, chemical warfare, ordnance, engineer, quarter-master, motor transport, Aviation and signal corps units are to be established in the schools qualified to do such work, and the corps of the army interested will detail the most efficient men to direct the work. The special equipment needed will be furnished by the govern-ment. However, it is not intended that this work shall create a highly specialized program for the schools, but that it shall be supplementary to the regular courses in the various fields.

Another line of effort in the R. O. T. C. work, will be a program to keep every young man physically fit for service at all times. It is generally admitted that the physical program for our schools has been too highly specialized and restricted and, while it is recognized that the men that have been on athletic teams as a rule were highly qualified for officers so far as physique is concerned, an effort will be made

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to increase the number of physicalper cent of the young men that 30 per cent of the young men that took the physical examination for the army failed to qualify for military service has focused attention upon this subject.

# Why Is What? The sergeant-major had the repu-

tation of never being at a loss for an answer. A young officer made a bet with a brother officer that he would, in less than twenty-four hours, ask the sergeant-major a question that would baffle him.

The sergeant-major accompanied the young officer on his rounds, in the course of which the cook house was inspected. Pointing to a large kettle of water just commencing to boil, the officer said:

"Why does that water only boil round the edges of the copper and not in the center?"

"The water around the edge, sir," replied the veteran, "is for the men on guard; they have their breakfast half an hour before the remainder of the company."—De-troit Free Press.

## Another Exemption Claim.

(Fro mWest's Docket.) A colored southerner to his appeal board, appealing from the local draft board ruling on his exemption claim: Honorable Zempsion

Kind Surs & Friens: I take my pen in hand to rite you about my war papers, de lawyer whut made dem out didn't suit me. I speck he's a good lawyer and mought git you outer trouble, but it show looks lack he er gwine to get me in the army. He show is a pore zempsion gitter, so I is writin' you myself to let you no just how I stans. Ise done red de war papers thru and thru keerful and I am eddicated and can understand an no where I belongs at. There aint nary reason for me to be in Fust Klass nor in de Secon Klass. Ther mought be one reason to put me in the Third Klass, Divishun B, on account of my mother. She is 43 years old and lives in South Kilanny and she show pends on e. I also belongs to Klass Fore cause I has a wife, kose she's done quit me and runned off wid another nigger, but he had de consumption and when he dies I no she will be rite back pending on me. I finds dat I belongs to ever divishun in Klass Five cept too as follows, ter wit:
"A" Dis don't ketch me.

"B" Ise a regular ordained minister an pastor de Mount Zobe

Student of preachin on May 18, 1917, rekognized squle, namely, Kimber Lake Kullud Skule. "D" I belongs to de Salvashun

"E" I don't come under dis head "F" Ise residance alien (not en-My folks com from Africka. "G" Dis sexsion ketches me strong. My health is moughty pourly. I just aint fisically fit, in fact I had de roomatism orful bad and I suffers wid a misery in de chest and Ise subject to dizzy spells. I has de bart trouble. And den my feet aint rite, dey just won't

stan any shootin guine on. "H" Ise not morall fit for de army. I has done been tride in de District Coat for stealing cows, and

got sent to de pen for 2 years.
"I" Ise de licensed pilot at de Mount Zobe Church as menshioned hereinbefour.

And den, kin friends I want to call you speshul attenshun to de last seckshun of de skuses. member of a reckernished insect what show is posed to war and work and I claims zepshion under dis hald and I thanks you to please put me in dis klass.

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#### THAT MYSTERIOUS ₽SIGNIA. (Miles Greenleaf in World-Herald.)

I met a lad in khaki And was glad to see him, too,

For I'm crazy over heroes And the noble things they do, And his arms were all be-chevroned From his shoulders to his cuffs; I asked where he was wounded, And he answered, "Council Bluffs."

When I had found another With still more upon his wing I thought that I had hit it

And my soul began to sing,
For his arm was wearing almost
Every color in the book;
"Where was your fiercest filting?"
And he answered, "At Fort
Crook."

Oh, who will tell the laymen What these decorations are That we see upon our soldiers

Who are coming back from war I hailed a brave as "Captain." And I asked him, "what co mand?" He said, "I run a bowling team," "what com

And shook me by the hand!

#### FROM A SOLDIER'S DIARY.

They took me away from a good home and put me in the trenches. They took me away from a good job and gave me this. They took away my name and gave me a number—123. The other day the chaplain said, "We will now turn to 123, 'Are you weary, are you footsore?" and I said, "Hell, yes." They gave me ten days in the guard house.

#### BUSINESS.

-Will you promise to marry

She-No, but I'd like to have an option on you till the end of the season!—Judge.

Coupla rookies waitin' for a trol-

Hello, howsa boy? Fine, howa you?

Gettin' along on cratches. Haw, haw, Gitefia dichahe, yet? Nope. Guess they're gonr me till the kaiser's caught. Ain't that the truth? Guess they're gonna keep

I'll say so. Howa bowchoo? I'm used to it. Ain't sayin' word.

Yop, s'tough. Yeh. Yeh. Gotia eigaret. Yeh, herey'ah. Thanks. Goin' my way? No, goita date. Noosa kid? Ah, you don't kr Well, be good. Yeh. Slong.

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## Just the Other Way Around Newly Arrived Buck (to P. G.

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PASSING THE "BUCK."
War Correspondent Lincoln Eyre

said in a Paris Y. M. C. A.: "Now and then you come across dishonest shopkeeper who doesn't hesitate to unload bad money on the doughboys. I know a dough-boy who called on one of these rascals the other day and said in a stern voice:

"'Hey, you—you gave me a bad two-franc piece last night!' "The shopkeeper turned pale and

handed the brawny doughboy a good piece. "'Pardon, monsieur! Very sorry!

Please excuse,' he said.
"'Aw, that's all right,' said the

doughboy, and turned to go.
"'But, monsieur,' said the shop-keeper, 'will you not give me back

the bad piece?'
"The doughboy grinned and winked at the rascal in a meaning

way. Then he said:
"'Oh, I passed it—passed it this
mornin'—and a hard job it was, believe me!'"—Washington Star.

## MERELY A MATTER OF COMPARISON

It's all a matter of comparison, according to H. T. Webster, the cartoonist, who told the following as proof at a race meeting of the Salmagundi club:

"Shrapnel shrieked all about Bombs dropped from the sky and every so often a big German shell burst overhead. Suddenly one Yank burst into a fit of laughter.

"S'matter, Buddy?" his mate asked, fearing that he had gone suddenly insane.

"I was thinkin, Bill," replied the other between chuckles, "of the runt that held me up one night in Memphis with a .22-caliber revolver."—New York Tribune.

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#### DID HE SWEAR? I'LL SAY HE DID

A soldier who had been unable to change his socks for several days felt that a blister was coming on one of his toes. On removing the sock he found a little roll of paper which had been irritating his toe. On it was written: "God bless your poor tired feet!"—Ontario

GUESS AGAIN.
Three ladies, sitting behind a lieutenant on a train, fell into a discussion as to his rank. One insisted that he was a general, and the standard of the standard other said she was sure that he was a lieutenant, while the third knew positively that he was a sergeant. Finally, to settle the argument, one of them approached him, explained the disagreement and requested that he settle it.

"Secretary of war, ma'am," he nonchalantly answered.—Judge.

## SOME OPTIMIST.

A sergeant, convicted by courtmartial, and reduced in rank, was sentenced to serve a term in the federal jail. Upon hearing the verdict, he said to the adjutant, "Well, hurry the orders through to transfer me to the mill, so I can get back my stripes!"—Judge.

#### CAUGHT!

The Colonel—That confounded young ass, Captain Pacer, got a bit lively in the mess last night, and started boasting that he had kissed every officer's wife in the battalion-bar one!

His Wife—Really! I wonder who she can be!—Saturday Journal

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# MAGAZINE SECTION



# SCOPE OF SELECTIVE DRAFT FULLY REVEALED

Crowder Tells of Achievements in Raising

'Urges Machinery Be Used for Taking the Next Census.

Washington, D. C.—While the second and probably the final annual report on the selective service system, prepared by Major General Enoch H. Crowder, provost marshal general, and made public contained only one specific recommendation -that the draft machinery be used to take the decennial census-the 600 page document gave the first inkling of drastic etxensions of the work or fight regulations which had been planned just before hostilities ended.

The report showed that specific plans were before Secretary Baker last November under which a minimum working week for the essential industries would have been fixed in order that "industrial slackers" might be reached, and that plans were shaping for the mandatory deferment of registrants in essential industry, denying them absolutely the right of military serv

A scheme supervising labor dis-tribution through an industrial fur-lough system also was being

As to the accomplishments of the selective system, credit for which was given to the patriotic devotion "thousands upon thousands" of American men and women who aid-

ed, General Crowder said:
"We are too close upon the events accurately to assess them. How great a part American selective service played in the drama of the

world war, history alone can tell. "To enroll for service over 24,-D00,000; to mobilize a selected army of more than 2,800,000, a million of them within ninety days; to have presently available for military duty 2,000,000 additional fighting men; to classify this vast group of man-power in the order of its military and industrial importance so as to preserve the domestic and industrial life of the nation, to speed up war time activities, to maintain them in a status of maximum efficient production and to pave the way for a speedy return recruiting the full fighting strength of the nation these are results which would be instantly rejected as impossible did not the actual facts stand as irrefutable testimonials of their accom-

On November 11, 1918, the report shows the United States had in its military and naval service 4.791.172 men, or 19 per cent of the male population. On the same day England had already called to the colors 5,-

\$54,359, or nearly 60 per cent. The final official total for all registrations was 24,234,021. Of these, 3,208,446 had been actually examined, and practically thirty men out of every 100 were found to be physically disqualified. Oklahoma and Arkansas returned the highest ratio of men under the physical requirements, Rhode Island and Ari zona the lowest.

Men granted exemption because of religious creeds totaled 56,830 as compared with the census esti-mated of 35,000.

Results of the "work or fight" order bore out the prediction made

by its originators.

"It is believed," the report said, to be a conservative estimate that the work or fight rules have re sulted in the movement of at least 137,255 men to productive occupations."

Ten Per Cent of Married Men. Under the head "Aliens," 3,877,-083 men were registered, or 16.22 per cent of the tôtal. These were divided into cobelligerents, 57.49 per cent; neutrals, 16.42 per cent, and enemy and allied enemy, 26.09

Only 10 per cent of the married registrants were called for military duty. Seventy-four of every 100 classified were granted deferment because of dependency, and about will "help some", said the post of-16 per cent on other grounds. Cases fice department, but it does not of men marrying after the draft measure up to the estimated needs

## Patriotic League Girls Organize a Ten-Piece Band



Left to Right—Mrs. A. C. Stokes, Miss Mary Cook, Miss Sebina Schomers, Miss Gladus McCann, Mrs. E. D. Erickson, Miss Elva Hillis, Mrs. Otis Spiekler, Miss Ann Anheuser, Miss Maud Cloud, Miss Albertina Canino.

The Patriotic league girls' band was a feature of the benefit vaudeville for the Syrian-Armenian relief Saturday night at the Brandeis theater. The ten young women in the band wore neat uniforms, consisting of a red military cape trimmed with white and jaunty skirts of the same colors. High black shoes set off the colors prettily.

notice of draft officials, totaled 344,872, and of those men 25.5 per cent were reclassified into Class 1.

The effect of the draft upon the industrial machinery of the nation was carefully studied by General Crowder's office. It was found that Class 1 in its entirely would have taken only 6.20 per cent of the workers of all ages. Deferment for essential occupation ranged from 2 per cent in the industrial classes to 7 in the agricultural.

Causes of Rejection. Examination into the causes of physical disqualifications brought many surprises. Alcohol and drug addicts accounted for 1.33 per cent of the total; nervous and mental disorders for 13.5 per cent; tuberculosis, 8.5, and mental deficiency, 9.4 per cent.

Actual cost of induction per man was given as \$7.90, against \$24.45, under the voluntary enlistment, and \$227.71 per man under the system used in the civil war.

## AT THE THEATERS

NEXT WEEK
RIALTO—Feb. 16 to 19, "Breed
of Men"; Bill Hart, Feb. 20 to
22; William Faversham in the
"Silver King."
STRAND—Feb. 16 to 20, Fatty
Arbuckle in "Love"; Pauline
Frederick in "Out of the
Shadows", 21 and 22; Shirley
Mason in "The Winning Girl."
BRANDEIS—Feb. 16 to 20, "The
Better Ole," by Captain Bruce
Bairnsfather.

Bairnsfather.
GAYETY—Week of Feb. 16,
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16, "Liberty Girls," with Jack Conway.

SUN—Feb. 12 to 18, Warren Kerrigan in "Come Again' Smith," Feb. 19 to 22; Tom Mix, in "Hell Roar and Re-form."

Marsh in "The Bondage of Barbara," Feb. 19 to 22; An-metre Kellerman in "The nette Kellerman in Queen of the Sea."

ORPHEUM-Week of Feb. 16 Annette Kellerman (herself), in Her Farewell Appearance Hickey Brothers, acrobatic Dancers: Fox and Ingraham, -musical artists: Wallace Ga vin, sleight of hand; Jack and Kitty Denaco. "The Garden of Creation": The McIntyres; movies, screen news of the world and the Orpheum Trav-

el Weekly.

EMPRESS—Week of Feb. 16,
Revue, "A la Carte"; Taber
and Green, minstrels; White
Brothers, acrobats, and a movie, Bert Lytell in "The Spenders".

Acceptance of the senate's appropriation of \$850,000 for the development of the air mail service law was passed, coming within the of the department for the branch, duty,

## PERSONAL ITEMS.

Colonel Joseph C. Morrow, A. S. A., having reported on January 22, 1919, to the director of military aeronautics, in compliance with embarkation orders No. 11, American expeditionary forces, headquarters service of supply, has been assigned to duty in the training section.

Colonel W. E. Gillmore, A. S. A., has been announced as chief of lows: supply section, vice Colonel C. G. Edgar, A. S. A., relieved therefrom and transferred to the executive section.

Captain W. F. Volandt, A. S. A. has been appointed contracting of-ficer for the division of military aeronautics to execute on behalf of the United States all contracts for the division of military aeronautics, except contracts with schools, col-leges and universities, vice Cap-tain Clinton G. Brown, A. S. A., re-

Colonel Edward A. Deeds, A. S. A., is announced as on duty in the suply section, office of the director of military aeronautics.

Colonel M. F. Davis, A. S. A., is relieved from duty as chief of training section, and will report to the director of air service for assignment to duty.

Effective on the discharge from military service of Colonel Arthur Woods, A. S. A., Colonel Archie Miller, A. S. A., in addition to his other duties, has been announced as acting assistant director of mili-

tary aeronautics.

Major Horace M. Hickam, A. S. , was assigned on January 21,

1919, to the executive section.
Lieutenant Colonel William
Thaw and Major Charles J. Biddle, A. S. A., were announced as members of the board to assist and cooperate with the secretary of the interior and Mr. George B. Dorr in the matter of the erection of a monument in the Sieur de Monts National park to the aviators who have died during the war. Colonel Walter G. Kilner, A. S.

A., having reported to the director of military aeronautics, from military aeronautics, from American expeditionary headquarters service of supply. France, has been assigned to duty with the training section. He left Washington recently for an extensive frip, terminating in California. Major Harrison H. C. Richards.

J. M. A., who reported at the D. M. A., on January 21, has been assigned to the supply section.
Lieutenant Colonels Daniel

Cheston, Jr., and Augustine W. Robins, J. M. A., have reported to the D. M. A., and been assigned to the supply section.
Lieutenant Colonel B. K. Yount,

A. S. A., left Washington, February 8, for San Diego, Cal. Captain Reed C. Landis, A. S. A.

America's second living "Ace," has been assigned to the executive sec-tion and has left for Chicago for

## What the Poilus Think of Wilson and the Yanks; Fine Words of Gratitude

of President Wilson and the Yanks is told in Stars and Stripes, organ of the American army in France.) Quotations are printed as fol-

President Wilson.

The Germans used to laugh at the notes sent by President Wilson. They did not spare him their jokes or sarcasms. In their heavy gayety the boches neglected to forsee one thing: That the presi-dent, determined to have his notes paid, would send, armed to the teeth, 2,000,000 collectors.—Garnusseau, Cdt. of Chasseurs.

I have often noticed that the names of great men end in N. Note

the three greatest American presidents-Washington, Lincoln, Wilson. And who was the greatest French genius of recent ages but

Napoleon?—Cpl. Monbarbon.
We who have fought, suffered and won guard in our hearts an infinite gratitude for President Wilson. Isn't it he who, in a great measure, discovered the famous machine for suspending

machine for suspending....
hostilities? —Sgt. Mathi Leon.
Although smooth-shaven, President Wilson has the tenacity of the poilu. Uncle Sam can be proud of his nephew.-N. B., Machine Gun-

The great triumph of President Wilson will prove to have been the enlisting of millions and millions of beings in the cause of the war in

thought and heart before enlisting them in actuality.—2nd Lt. X. It is to fertile and generous America that 10,000,000 French— If, absorbed in right and justice, President Wilson is a great idealist, in the presence of the above figures it must be admitted that he does not seem entirely without interest in material considerations. Jen Dron.

What do I think of him? I can't do any more than say my wife is expecting someone. If it's a boy we'll call him Wilson.—Pvt. Dumondret.

The two greatest emotions felt by the boches in the course of the war must have been the landing of ing infection. the chief surgeon the 75s and then—that of the says. Men found diseased will be the 75s and then—that of the Americans.—C. Leroy, Mar. des Logis, artillery. Seeing how they fought on our

soil, we cannot but wonder what they would have done had it been a queestion of defending their own native land.—P. V.

Those who know with what in-

(What the French poilus think, risked their lives as if they had a

The Americans differ from the French only in the color of their uniform. Let the coat be blue or khaki, the heart which beats be-neath it is the same.—Cpl. Veddais (three citations.)

When you are bound by friend-ship to American soldiers, when you have fought by their side, when you have experienced their generous fraternity, it takes a great effort to realize the immensity of the ocean which separates—geographically—the two nations.—Lt. Thorre.

Their morale has been magnifi-cent. The war is a rosary of small and great miseries, which they, like the periect philosophers they are, told over smiling.—Marius Thibot, 1st Cl. Pvt.

We have often been side by side

with the Americans. And I must state that, in spite of the ratigues and perils of war, not one of them has uttered, to my knowledge, one word of ill-humor nor the slightest recrimination. To tell the truth, however, I must admit that I don't understand a word of their lan-guage.—Margonais.

# LOW DISEASE RATE AMONG THE SOLDIERS

Stars and Stripes, France: Thirty-three

omong 223,000 men.
This report by the army of occupation for the week of December 25 marks a new low record in di-sease incidence in the history of to say statistics—lave owed their the American army, according to daily bread for more than a year, the chief surgeon's office. it represents a yearly rate of seven cases per thousand men. For the whole American expeditionary forces, the rate has been cut down to thirtyfour cases per 1,000 men a year. The army's before-the-war rate was eighty to ninety cases per men, which, itself, is far below the reivilian rate.

Establishment of venereal segregation camps at Le Mans, St. Aignan, St. Nazaire, Nantes and Bordeaux, embarkation centers, mean that no soldier will be returned to the states while capable of spreadkept in quarantine at the embarkation points until they have been

restored to health. Intensive medical treatment and a program of daily working parties are features of the quarantine sys-

tem. The quarantine is expected Those who know with what indifference and what scorn of man. All troops marked for endanger the Americans went into barkation for the states will unbattle say that these devils of men derga a series of rigid inspections.