

TEN CARLOADS OF MAIL UNDELIVERED IN FRANCE

Millions of Missives for Soldiers Will Come Back to Dead Letter Office.

Assistant Postmaster General Puts Blame for Delay on War Department.

Washington, D. C.—From eight to ten carloads of mail for American soldiers are undelivered in France. Assistant Postmaster General Pragger told the senate post-office committee, and thousands and probably millions of letters addressed to the men overseas will arrive in New York soon to be sent to the dead letter office, where an attempt will be made to return them to the writers.

Blame for the failure to deliver this mail was placed on the war department by Mr. Pragger, who again explained that the army authorities handle all soldiers' mail in France, the postoffice department delivering outgoing mail at Hoboken and receiving returning mail at the French ports.

Need Experienced Clerks.

Mr. Pragger said one way to improve conditions overseas would be to send a force of experienced mail clerks to France to deliver the mail to the soldiers.

"The trouble does not lie at the French ports," declared Mr. Pragger, "it lies in the interior. The mail gets tied up somewhere between army headquarters, censors

Mr. Pragger told the committee that one reason for the confusion in the delivery of mail to soldiers was the failure of the war department to keep up its index system.

Another Reason for Delay.

This same cause, he declared, also was responsible for the department's delay in sending out allotments to soldiers and in reporting casualties.

Mr. Pragger said fifty experienced mail clerks were sent by that department overseas, while the remainder of the necessary force for this work was made up of inexperienced men.

French Village Honors Company From Fort Omaha

"Omaha street," and "Twelfth avenue" are the English equivalents for names of the two principal streets in the French village of Letanne, according to a letter received from Sgt. Mayer L. Cohn, with the American army overseas. The two streets were renamed, says Cohn, in honor of Omaha and the Twelfth balloon company, which trained at Fort Omaha. Letanne lies between Beaumont and Sedan.

"The French civilians hail us as their saviors," Cohn writes, "and now that the prisoners are being released and are returning to their homes, the scenes are heart-rending. The main street of Letanne was renamed 'Omaha street' and an avenue is now called 'Twelfth avenue' in honor of our company."

The Twelfth balloon company was cited for bravery under fire during the battles of St. Mihiel, the Argonne forest and the Meuse.

SGT. RITTER SUCCEEDS BRYAN AS MEDIC "TOP"

Sgt. 1st Cl. Harrison E. Bryan, for several months first sergeant of the post medical detachment, received his discharge and left Wednesday for his home in Pocatello, Idaho, where he will again practice pharmacy.

Sgt. Bryan has been succeeded by Sgt. 1st Cl. McFerrin C. Ritter, who was formerly property sergeant.

Three other members of the hospital corps have been discharged. Privts. Davis, Standeven and Kenhart. There are about eighty corporals, half of which number will soon be released, according to Major A. B. Lindquist.

Commands Central Department



Major General Leonard Wood, commanding Camp Funston, Kansas, to proceed to Chicago and take command of the Central department, were issued Wednesday by the war department. He succeeds Major General Thomas H. Barry, who was relieved from command on January 9. General Barry was directed to proceed to Governor's Island, New York, and assume command of the Eastern department. He had com-

manded the Central department since May 28, 1916.

The Central department comprises West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa, Colorado, Kansas and Missouri.

This includes an area of 935,000 square miles, a population of 36,936,000, six national army camps, fourteen posts, 295 schools, aviation fields and other military stations.

Here Is the Official Dope on Wearing of Special Chevrons

"OMAHA."

Somewhere, tonight the same moon is a-shining, Down upon you as it shines upon me, Somehow, my heart in long absence repining, Seems to come nearer you over the sea And, in the moonlight so pure and so fair, My heart is speaking to yours, over there.

—Sergeant John G. Langhart, Thirtieth Balloon Company, A. E. F.

One-Third Fail to Pass Army Tests

That nearly one-third of the men examined for the army under the selective service law were rejected for physical short-comings is the startling information disclosed by Joseph E. Raycroft, chairman of the athletic division of the commission on training camp activities.

In one instance, when 427,000 men were examined, Raycroft states, 38,831 were rejected because they merely lacked physical stamina—that is, they were underweight, or lacking in chest measurements. Every one of these men could have been made physically fit with a little proper training.

Raycroft quotes the figures in an argument for compulsory physical training in the schools.

The American Red Cross has announced the establishment of a base hospital of 100 beds at Archangel.

Civilians and Soldiers Get Mixed on Meanings of New Insignia.

Civilians and even many soldiers are puzzled by the various colored chevrons worn by men returning from overseas service.

There is also some doubt as to official provisions for colors and manner of wearing chevrons.

A single gold chevron indicates six months' service in the war zone. It is worn on the left sleeve, just above the cuff, with point down. An additional chevron is worn for each additional six months' service overseas.

When worn in a similar position on the right sleeve the gold chevron indicates that the soldier has been wounded. One such chevron is allowed for each distinct time the man receives wounds.

For a period of overseas service of less than six months, a soldier is permitted to wear a blue chevron in the same position on the left sleeve.

If a soldier wears a gold chevron, he may not wear a blue or silver one. Neither may blue and silver ones be worn together.

One scarlet chevron, which indicates honorable discharge, must be worn on the upper left sleeve, point up, the same position in which corporals or sergeants chevrons are worn on the right sleeve, according to war department regulation.

Federal Judge Landis issued orders that only lawyers who have seen military service may wear wrist watches in his Chicago court room.

SIXTY-THREE AGES IN AMERICAN ARMY WHEN WAR ENDED. IS OFFICIAL REPORT

New Armistice Terms of Allies

London—The new armistice terms to be presented to Germany by Marshal Foch are unofficially stated here to include the following:

First—Retribution upon the Germans for the murder and ill treatment of allied prisoners.

Second—The machinery and goods stolen by Germany from France and Belgium to be at once given up.

(It is pointed out that France alone has 500,000 men who will be out of work until this machinery is returned.)

Third—German gold, amounting to more than \$100,000,000, to be moved from Berlin to a safe place, probably Frankfurt, and protected from bolshevism in Germany en route. Certain other property to be surrendered.

Fourth—Germany to give over her shipping, of which she is believed to have 4,000,000 tons, to carry food supplies to countries in Europe in need of them.

Fifth—Any U-boats on the stocks to be handed to the allies for their disposal, or to be destroyed, and no more submarines should be built.

SUGGEST MUSTER OUT FOR THE SERVICE FLAGS

War Camp Community Would "Demobilize" Stars With Proper Ceremony.

Period Including Washington's Birthday Chosen as Fitting Time.

A three-day period for the "demobilization" of service flags, February 21 to 23, is being urged by the national War Camp Community service.

F. C. Williams, secretary in Omaha, suggests that instead of taking down the flags one by one, as fast as the boys are mustered out, or the stars have turned to gold, the possessors keep them exhibited until a fixed date, when they can be "demobilized" at a public ceremony.

The period in which Washington's birthday falls was chosen as a fitting occasion for this ceremony. On Friday, February 21, Washington's birthday programs will be given in the schools, and it is suggested that factories, department stores, offices and all industrial and fraternal organizations arrange for demobilizing their service flags on that day, as the following day will be a national holiday and public buildings and offices will be closed. On Sunday, February 23, it is suggested that the churches hold their demobilizations. On Washington's birthday, February 22, the theaters will be asked to devote a few minutes to community singing, led, if possible, by some soldier or sailor.

Only those stars, of course, should be demobilized which represent either death or discharge from the service. In the former case "Gold Glories" should be hung in a place for permanent exhibition. The demobilization ceremony should be repeated from time to time until the entire army has been demobilized.

LT. LANCER RETURNS.

Lt. John J. Lancer, medical officer, has returned to Fort Omaha following a period of detached service at the Rockefeller Institute of Medical Research in New York.

Captain E. V. Rickenbacker Given Premier Rank for Downing 26 Foe Planes.

Former Omaha Racer Heads List of 63 Men Who Accounted for More Than Five Machines.

Washington, D. C.—Captain Edward V. Rickenbacker, Omaha automobile driver, was the premier "ace" of the American air forces in France, having twenty-six enemy planes to his credit.

An official report received at the war department showed that there were sixty-three aces—men downing five or more enemy machines—in the American army when the war ended.

First Lieutenant Frank Luke, jr., of Phoenix, Ariz., who was killed in action, was second on the list of aces with eighteen victories to his credit, and Major Victor Raoul Lufbery of Wallingford, Conn., who was also killed in action, was third with seventeen victories. Before joining the American army, Major Lufbery was a member of the Lafayette escadrille.

Captain Reed G. Landis of Chicago and First Lieutenant David E. Putman of Brooklyn, Mass., who was killed in action, had twelve victories each. The other aces, with the number of victories credited to each, follows:

First Lieutenant—Fields Kinley, 19, Gravelle, Ariz. George A. Vaughn, jr., 18, Brooklyn. Jacques Michael Swab, 10, Philadelphia. Thomas G. Caccady, 9, no home address. Chester E. Wright, 9, Cambridge, Mass. William P. Erwin, 9, Chicago. Captain Elliot W. Springs, 8, Lancaster, Pa. First Lieutenant Henry R. Clay, jr., Fort Worth, Tex. Major James A. Meissner, 8, Brooklyn. Captain Hamilton Coolidge (deceased), 8, Brooklyn. Captain G. De Freest Lerner, 8, Washington, D. C. First Lieutenants—Paul Frank Baer, 8, Fort Wayne, Ind. Frank O. D. Hunter, 8, Savannah, Ga. Wilbert Wallace White (deceased), 8, New York. Second Lieutenant Clinton Jones, 8, San Francisco. Captain Reid M. Chambers, 7, Memphis, Tenn. First Lieutenants—Harvey Cook, 7, Toledo, O. Lansing C. Holden, 7, New York. Karl Harold J. Schoen (deceased) Indianapolis, Ind. Wendel A. Robertson, 7, Fort Smith, Ark. Leslie J. Rummell, 7, Newark, N. J. Lloyd A. Hamilton (deceased), 7, Burlington, Vermont, or Pittsfield. Jesse O. Creech, 6, Washington, D. C. (Continued on Page 3.)

Wilson May Make a Speaking Tour of This Country

Paris—President Wilson is considering a speaking tour of the United States when he returns home. It is said that this trip will take him into many of the principal cities and it is possible that he may touch the Pacific coast.

With congress out of the way early in March, Mr. Wilson would have an opportunity for such a tour before returning to Europe, should he follow his original plan, and if his return should be necessary. He would also have time for his proposed trip before the convening of an extraordinary session of congress, should he decide to call one. So far as known Mr. Wilson has no plans for an extra session, but he still holds to his idea of returning to the peace congress if it is felt his presence is necessary to the success of the league of nations.

The object of his proposed speaking tour would be to inform the country by personal contact of the proceedings of Paris and sound out and encourage public sentiment in support of the peace principles he has enunciated and which he feels have been acclaimed by the masses in Europe.

ORGANIZATION NEWS

BALLOON HOUSE

R. A. Baker.

Much balloon activity existed here last week when four free balloon flights were staged from the aerodrome in the rear of the balloon house. Lieut. George D. Kingsland was pilot of the first free balloon to take to the air this year. This flight occurred in the early morning of January 6.

Capt. F. W. Goodale piloted his first free balloon from here on the 8th, since last September. It was also the second free balloon flight of the year. Lieut. Col. Wuest was on hand to witness Capt. Goodale and his party of balloonists off.

Capt. A. G. Ayling was pilot on the three free balloon flight of the year and ascended from North field at 1:30 p. m., January 9, carrying with him as passengers the following distinguished officers: Col. Ralph Caldwell, Col. J. W. Wuest and Lieut. L. W. Taylor, just returned from the front, and Lieut. J. G. McKay.

The fourth free balloon left here at 8:15 a. m., last Saturday morning, with Lieut. George D. Kingsland as pilot again. Lieut. Kingsland is considered one of the best free balloon pilots that ever took to the air from here. The above mentioned flight was his twenty-fifth free balloon flight and carries a total of approximately sixty-six hours in the air.

An order has been received here requiring two free balloon flights to take place each week. The days set aside for these flights are Tuesday and Thursday of each week unless weather conditions interfere.

Private "Heinz '57" Freitag is kept on the "hop" since so many free balloons are taking to the air, as he is in charge of laying out and inflating the balloons; but "Heinz" does not mind being maneuvered rapidly if the maneuvering does not occur too frequently.

We are advised that non-commissioned officers who contemplate remaining in the service, will be given free balloon flights and will be permitted to qualify for a free balloon pilot's license.

Private Walter Jewell has returned from his furlough of ten days which he spent in Philadelphia. He states that nine-tenths of the passengers on the trains are discharged soldiers or soldiers going to some demobilization camp.

Five men from our organization have received their discharges. They are Privates Walter Jewell, James Bedwell, Harry Deutrick, N. M. Stweibel, Frank L. Thomas and the writer. Private Jewell will be discharged from Camp Dix, N. J., the writer from Columbus Barracks, Columbus, O., and the other men mentioned were discharged from here.

Corporal G. C. Wiedersum will write the balloon house news in the future, the writer being fortunate enough to receive a discharge. Au revoir!

MOTOR TRANSPORT CORPS NOTES.

Maurice J. Frank.

No one in the department can understand why those rookies with only eight weeks' army experience can get out of the army and the Seventy-fifth company when the old timers with lots of rabbiting faculties must stay. Oh, it's a gay life!

Handler believes in preparedness. He is lettering up his trunk and fixing up in general. Go to it, Saul, we are for you and hope you can use it to go home soon.

Why is Sergeant Casper looking so downcast these days? Hard luck, sergeant. So near and yet so far. We feel sorry for you.

Want Ads.

Wanted—Any kind of a man who can do odd jobs of painting. Reason, must get substitute so can get final papers. Call Witt, No. 17.

Wanted—A new excuse besides Melchior's and McKen's, to get out of the post. Reason, these are rather worn out. For further information call No. 17, Peterson.

We only put Holt's name in twice last week and he is mad now. I'll try to do better this time, Holt.

(Note—That's twice already, Holt.)

PERSONNEL OFFICE

P. S. Coluni.

Regrets: We hate to lose him, (Lt. Owen S. Brown) we were so used to him now.

Corporal Cox has submitted to the publishers of Webster's dictionary a new definition for the word "discharge."

Going up: One step at a time, Sergeant First Class Rozier, Eliwein and Zerbs, Sergeant Evans, Corporals Ent, Koty and Thawley.

Corporal Davis' boudoir has been

made more complete by the addition of a "look-at-me."

Private First Class Tucker is on detached service at South Barracks in Major Boettcher's office.

Not intending to traduce the word "discharge" any, the Personnel office force likes that word as much as they do "made in Germany," it was the cause of continuous work in the Personnel office from Sunday 8:30 a. m. to Monday, 4 a. m. If you know what's good for your health, do not ask us about discharges.

73D BALLOON COMPANY

By R. A. Magrum.

Cook Jenkins of the hospital is some cook, and men sure deliver the roast birds. If you don't believe us, ask Captain Wise.

Sergeant Dreiholz—Writing discharges with a revolving brain.

Sergeant Farrington—Bill of fare for the coming week is chopped lemon juice, with sprigs of baled hay.

Robert Beggs—Give me lots of rabbit with my ears, and I will hit 50 any place.

Corporal Cornell—You furnish the money, and I will furnish the girl.

Eugene J. Tripp—How to keep a wife and furnish a home on 30 per.

Sergeant Ross J. McGowan—Today is the tomorrow we worried about yesterday.

George R. New—Biscuits feel like they were cast in the Union Pacific shops.

Corporal Julian B. Tempest—Can resist everything except temptation, and is a great lover of beautiful women.

Waldo H. Evans—Wears his stockings wrong side out to get rid of the holes.

Albert C. Berry—Has wonderful prospects of being a real cook, providing he does not throw any more dishes.

Charles E. Stiffler—Who claims that an upright piano is a downright nuisance after sleeping hours.

William E. Albert—Has been appointed as one of the investigation committee to look into a few of the peekaboo waists.

Ferdinand J. Rozier—Thinks his girl loves him, because she accepts everything he gives her.

Caplain Harold M. Wise—Boys, if you get hungry and don't like it, home, come back to your real daddy.

59TH BALLOON COMPANY

Paul J. Rozmajzl.

"SAVE YOUR BONDS"

By W. N. Gomon.

With apologies to Mark Mason.

When the war is on the shelf, and Kaiser Bill has shot himself; when the fearful course is run, and a new era has begun; with our soldiers safely back, going in the same old track; when things are quiet over the pond, don't get foolish—save your bond. Wear them tight around your loin, till the day they're worth some coin. Just because you need some duds or soap to make some suds, tho' the baby needs some shoes or the screen doors need some screws; if coal's gone from the bin and the weather is cold as sin; if things are going to the rocks and you are wearing through your socks, just let the agent yell and yell and tell them to go straight to—well, they're not yelling just for fun—they know that some day they'll be worth more "mon." Keep on eating Boston beans and carry shingle nails in your jeans. Wear a smile upon your mug, and wait for the pennies to fill your jug; above all, don't loose what brains you've got, just be contented with your lot, and after all is said and done, you'll be glad you waited for that extra "mon."

Not knowing what to do with himself, and not feeling that he cared to visit the metropolis, Sergeant Louis O. Pocock decided to take a stroll. He chose the picturesque boulevards of Fort Omaha. As he was sauntering along, the strains of sweet music reached his ear, he stopped to listen. Being a lover of music, it did not take long for him to get restless. It was so tempting!!!

Before he was aware of what he was doing, he found himself making his way to the place from where the music came. Upon reaching the much enchanted place, he found there, a dance going on. When he saw all the pretty girls gliding along so smoothly, he could not resist. Upon entering, he saw that he was lost among the gay young couples, he was about to leave, when he spied Corporal Dunks. Going over to him, he asked to be acquainted with some of the fair sex, as he saw that Dunks was very popular. (Which Dunks did very cheerfully). The evening was

full of fun and merriment. Finally it was announced that the next piece would be a stealing two step, "ladies choice." The orchestra began to play. Glancing around, he saw Dunks coming towards him with a partner; his heart began to flutter. All of a sudden he lost heart and began to look for a place of retreat. The next moment he found himself outside wiping the perspiration from his face and saying to himself, "What a narrow escape!!" (Not saying what he would do to Dunks if he had him there). Finally he regained himself and went back. The music was still playing. Upon entering, he saw a young lady standing in the middle of the floor gazing around, ready to deprive some girl of her hero. Upon seeing this, he dashed through the crowd to her side, he said something; she smiled and said "ladies choice." After a few words between themselves, she leaned on his arm and they glided along with the rest of the happy crowd. After the dance Sergeant Pocock claimed he sure had a grand old time! Who would not with so much excitement.

50TH BALLOON COMPANY

W. O'Neil Goodwin.

Lieutenant Faulk has returned from a five day trip with the Basket Ball team.

The following men have been discharged from the Fiftieth company: Sergeants Steward, Goodwin, Moan, Larson, Jorgenson, and Carney, Corporals Wiggill and Hay, Chauffeurs Rhoades and Carl, Privates Beck, Crenshaw, Hassler, Jones, Miller, Wisniewsky, Wadley, Brewer, O'Hara, Tordy, Stensbol, Fisher and Slifer.

Sergeant Storm is now "top kick" with Privates Stokes and Scandrett in the orderly room.

Private Mills and Hemphill are on furlough.

This is a secret! Corporal Hay invested two good American dollars in an overseas cap. All together now—the hero song from the Chocolate Soldier!

"Jingling" Johnson is now a society idol. One girl is not enough for him—two at a time or nothin'—ask Svahn.

Sergeant Storm can say no longer "Jorgenson call the roll."

"Big Ben" Reypens beat the bugle the other morning. He's a "kill-joy."

Bugler Thomasson plans to blow away on a furlough.

Meigi and Hans with the gurgling name of Bjordal use their native language to tell each other what they think of the army. Front, Mr. Creel.

QUARTERMASTER CORPS

Julius du Boise.

Sergeant Denneau and Corporal Motz entertained their friends, also their wives at the Military Ball Saturday evening.

Private McCarville enjoyed with his wife a supper-dance at the Henshaw Saturday, after the ball.

Private Younger is counting the days until his discharge when he is to take his Omaha bride to the Golden West to live.

Private Young does not like K. P. and when the day is over he says there is one consolation, "you get your hands clean again."

Sgt. Shumacker of the post bakery has taken over a homestead and has built a house, dug a well and is preparing to make a good job for himself in Western Nebraska after his discharge.

Private Early Kellogg is making plans to go back to the show business with his young French bride.

Private Rundquist has much of his time occupied these days since his South Omaha dancing lesson, and it is whispered that he has a real girl.

Private Wheeler of the Q. M. office dogs not dance but John more than makes up, with his fancy skating and can be seen on the city ponds any night when the weather permits.

Sergeant Grisswall accepted a commission in the Reserves of the Quartermaster Corps.

Corporal Canby attended a dance at the Rome hotel given by Swift & Co. employees and made several new friends.

Corporal Thacker and Private Brockett attended the military ball where they met two long lost friends but they came home at ten o'clock and have been talking about a long furlough ever since.

63D BALLOON COMPANY

E. W. Gehrke.

Serg. Suttie has gone to Denver, Colo., on a ten day furlough to attend to some business. When he returns he will have a discharge awaiting. Oh, boy, it must be a grand and glorious feeling.

Lieut. Neely has taken charge of the signal corps office, but we are sorry to learn that he is no more connected with the Sixty-third com-

pany.

Just to remind you, Sergt. Johnson is still in our company.

Ask Corp. Peterson what he knows about bananas.

Sergts. Eads, Missig and Twamley did some real fast work a few days ago when they made out about sixty discharges. Of course Sergt. Twamley was the swiftest worker as his name was on the list to be discharged.

Wonder what Sergt. Zuber will do now since Red Knight has been discharged.

Private DeYoung says it is only natural that all good men be discharged last.

Sergt. Eads has been staying in pretty regular lately. Wonder if his girl has gone back on him?

Y. M. C. A.

The recent illustrated lecture on the Hawaiian islands by the Rev. Charles Payne of Milwaukee, Wis., was one of the best features brought to the post by the "Y" in months.

On January 7 and 9 Meiklejohn, the famous mystic artist and ventriloquist, entertained large audiences. The men enjoyed his work very much and since seeing him have spent a good deal of time trying to figure out how he performed many of his tricks.

On January 13 Harry Trimble of Trimble Bros., Omaha, Neb., who has spent the last year as a "Y" secretary in France, interested a large number of the men with the story of his "Experience Over There," and gave the men an opportunity to ask any questions they desired concerning the "Y" work at the front.

Wednesday night, January 15, an excellent program was furnished by Miss Helen Snails, social secretary of the city Y. W. C. A. Those participating in the program were Miss Edna Barnes, read; Miss Mabel Allen, soprano soloist; Miss Marie Swanson, harpist, and Miss Gertrude Miller, pianist.

60TH BALLOON COMPANY.

Private Herman Zuber has accumulated much experience during his army career and he wants to make the fact known through this paper that he would not sell the knowledge for a million dollars. Sergeant Hurley has already offered 15 cents. Sergeant Barrett would give 25 cents, but wants Herman to wait until pay day.

He says that his greatest experience came some time ago. While

we were out in the wilds of Camp Coffman the acting privates were working shifts, twenty-four hours on and thirty minutes off for weinies and sauer kraut. The date the armistice was signed Zuber was chopping wood, and not having had wood chopping experience in civilian life, he naturally broke the handle. Herman then went to Lieutenant Tosten to have it replaced. Lieutenant Tosten replied, "What are you trying to do, break up government property. I am going to send you to Fort Leavenworth for twenty-five years." Private Zuber replied, "I only enlisted for the duration of the war."

Private Wells gives the information that Henry Ford owed his son something like \$150,000 for naming him Edsel.

The Omaha Daily News calls attention to the fact that Switzerland holds a pretty good poker hand now that the war is over, having three kings and a pair of queens—to which we add the information that Holland is still in the game, drawing to a pair of jacks.

It is learned from reading in an Omaha advertisement that silk stockings come in forty-eight shades and colors. Therefore, we move that the investigation into the reason why a chicken crosses the road be cancelled, annulled, avoided, expunged and otherwise understood to be of no effect.

Talking about chickens, probably Sergeant Lee Burris can fully inform the farmer out near Camp Coffman the whereabouts of one of his prized roosters who happened to stray in the road when Lee was busily giving his motorcycle the gas in order to fulfill a date in Omaha with one of his sergeant friends.

A piece of advice from "Skinner" Schroeder: "When a mule is so gentle that you can tickle his hind legs with a straw, don't do it."

"Hard work never killed anyone," seriously began Sergeant Hurley. "I reckon it didn't if you say so, sergeant," replied "Dizzy" O'Rourke, "but personally I never cared to—jaw-w-n!—take the risk."

Supply Sergeant Anderson has revised the law of gravitation. After smoking a Christmas cigar he found that "all that goes down must come up."

Private Kessler's idea of the "meanest man" is a pianist on the floor above in a South Omaha apartment, who continually brings him to attention by playing the

"Star Spangled Banner" just as he is starting over the top into the mistletoe salient.

Sergeant Hildebrand absent mindedly ordering a hair cut: "Line up the hairs and count off to the right. Odd numbers each want a halfinch off. Dress smartly with bayrum and brilliantine. Then dismiss."

"A great New Year's for Omaha and the Whole World," advised the Bee's headline, generously letting the rest of the world in on it.

60TH COMPANY HAS VERY UNIQUE TIME

Fort Crook Boys Entertain They Girl Friends at Farewell Party.

The 60th Balloon Co. tendered their girl friends a farewell party on Saturday January 4th. The program began in the afternoon with a basketball game between the seniors and juniors of the company which was very furiously contested. The game was awarded to the first team, but the girls seemed to favor the second team.

After the girls contest in which Mary McCabe proved to be the best basket tosser, and Margaret Dee the winner of the eye test, then entire party gathered around the pianist, Miss Hazel Auer, and sang all the popular melodies.

At 6:30 the bugler blew "chow" and all lined up and marched to the mess hall. The very dainty eats were served by the K. Ps. and a number of girls were heard to remark to the cooks that "they wouldn't mind being in the Army if they got good food like this."

Following mess the girls made a visit through the barracks and were astounded at the cleanliness and orderliness of the quarters.

The K. C. hut was cleverly arranged for Sgt. Elide's program, Misses Auer O'Grady boxed a good fast draw. The rest of the program furnished much laughter when the blindfold boxing and swatting contests were staged.

General orders "by Herman Zuber and Adolph Wieber was the cause of much merriment. Jim St. Louis told in his own

style his varied experience in the Army. Sgt. Star Stepp and his m. strels were congratulated by many for his excellent repertoire of songs. His parody of "When I Leave the Gang Behind" brought the house down. The minstrels were perhaps the most popular entertainment on the program.

At 8:20 the company fell in their regular army formation and the girls were initiated in their first attempt at Right Dress and were paraded off preceding the grand march. Dan Desdunes and his orchestra started the dance which lasted the remainder of the evening.

Pvt. Udem who has had considerable experience in making punch prior to his entering the Army, furnished the most delicious refreshment.

The party was directed by Sgt. Frank A. Barrett.

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CLEAR OVER \$2,000 AT THE 47TH DANCE

Balloon Company Gives
Novel Party at Omaha
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More than \$2,000 was cleared by the 47th Balloon company at their dance Saturday evening. One of the largest crowds in the history of the auditorium attended.

The men in charge of preparations had so planned the program that Omaha dancers were given to understand that they could expect some wonderful features and an exceedingly novel party, and all their expectations were more than realized.

For more than a week before the ball a large committee worked day and night on the novelties which played no small part in the entertainment of the guests. The decorations and entertainment preparations were in charge of Corporal Wayne L. Moore, and no expense was spared to make it the big feature party of the year. The boys prepared over 50,000 feet of red, white and blue crepe streamers, and with these and a myriad of varied colored lights the Auditorium was transformed, over night, into a veritable Fairyland.

The orchestra stand in the center of the hall was surrounded by a border of large gas balloons, and created the impression of its being ready to float away at any moment. The novelty dances consisted of an Oriental feature, during which the building was transformed, in an instant, to a setting in keeping with the popular melody "Hindustan," played during this feature. A realistic battle in No Man's Land ended the patriotic tune of "Over There," and this was enjoyed almost as much as the Snow Dance in which the snow came down from the ceiling, over the dancers. The boys had prepared about 500 miniature parachutes for the Parachute dance, and each parachute carried as its cargo a souvenir of balloon fabric, cut from an observation balloon that had done its bit in the air service.

Manager Franke of the Auditorium remarked at the close of the party that it was the most beautiful and successful affair ever held in the Auditorium, and that the boys could be proud of the manner in which it was carried out. The party was sponsored by the Dundee Ladies' Patriotic league, the earnings going to the athletic and amusement fund at the post. Those in the company who were responsible for its huge success were: Sergeants L. L. Brown, J. B. Morgan and Fleming, Corporals W. L. Moore, Haney, Lovejoy and Private Ed White.

BOILED BRIEFS

Thirty-nine billion cigarettes were produced in this country last year, four times as many as were produced seven years ago. Practically all of this output will be consumed here, too.

Conrad Hoffman, a Y. M. C. A. secretary who remained in Berlin during the war, has opened a hut for Americans in one of the principal streets of the German capital and is selling supplies to released American prisoners.

Attorney General Gregory has requested legislation authorizing deportation of Germans and other aliens, interned during the war.

Eighty thousand German helmets captured by General Pershing's troops have been ordered by Frank R. Wilson, director of Liberty loan publicity, for distribution as prizes in the fifth Liberty loan campaign.

The sending of a wild west show to France to entertain the American expeditionary forces is being considered by William P. Larkin, director of the Knights of Columbus overseas activities. Citizens of Colorado, Wyoming and New Mexico would contribute a fund to meet expenses.

Persons advertising "flu" cures in St. Louis will be prosecuted, according to John W. Folmer, who is conducting an investigation of alleged influenza cures.

A service flag with 600 stars, representing that number of Kansas newspaper men, has been hung in the Memorial building in Topeka by the Kansas Editorial association.

A 2,000,000-foot gas well was struck near Palo, Kas., last week. It is believed that it will cost the owner a total of \$300,000 feet when the well is ready to pump, and the owners will get an income of \$500 a day.

The four army airplanes which left San Diego, Cal., December 4, on the first transcontinental flight ever undertaken, landed at Bolling Field, near Washington, January 6.

The American expeditionary salvage department has saved during the past six months \$3,500,000 worth of war material by recovering, repairing and collecting the previously rejected equipment of the soldiers, according to officers of the quartermaster's department.

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First Lieutenant Clayton L. Bishel, 6, Kansas.
Major Harold E. Harney, 6, Saskatoon, Sask., Canada.
Captain Douglas Campbell, 6, Mount Hamilton, Cal.
Captain Jerry Cox Vasconcelles, 6, Denver, Colo.
Captain Edgar Gardner Tobin, 6, San Antonio, Tex.

First Lieutenants—
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Sumner Sewell, 6, no address.
Ralph A. O'Neill, 6, Nogales, Ariz.
Donald Hudson, 6, Kansas City, Mo.
Murray K. Guthrie, 6, Mobile, Ala.
William H. Stovall, 6, Stovall, Miss.
James D. Beane (missing in action), 6, Concord, Mass.

Arthur R. Brooks, 6, Framingham, Mass.
Robert O. Lindsay, 6, Madison, N. C.
Martinus Stenseth, 6, Twin Valley, Minn.
6, Chicago.

First Lieutenant Howard C. Klotta, 5, no address.
Lieutenant Colonel William Thaw, 5, Pittsburgh.

J. David McK Peterson, 5, Bonessdale, Pa.
Captain H. R. Buckely, 5, Agawan, Mass.

Major Charles J. Biddle, 5, Philadelphia.
First Lieutenants—

James Knowles, 5, Cambridge, Mass.
James A. Healy, 5, Jersey City, N. J.
James Potter, 5, no address.

Francis M. Symonds, 5, New York.
Joseph Fritz Wanner (deceased), 5, New York.

John J. Seerley, 5, Chicago.
Edward M. Haight, 5, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

George W. Furlow, 5, Rochester, Minn.
Arthur E. Easterbrook, 5, Fort Flagler, Wash.

Byrne V. (B) Baucom, 5, Milford, Tex.
Second Lieutenant Harold McArthur, 5, no address.

Second Lieutenant J. Sidney Owens, Baltimore.

FOUR MEDICAL OFFICERS GET THEIR DISCHARGES

Lts. Robert D. Scott, William G. Atwood, James L. Collins and Alfred H. Schooley of the medical department, have received their discharges and left Fort Omaha this week. This leaves nine officers in the post hospital personnel.

Great Lakes Has Athletic Field

The Great Lakes naval training station boasts many clever athletes as shown by their performances on the gridiron, baseball field and in track sports. The sailors boast a modern athletic field, including the only 440-yard straightaway track in America. The baseball diamond is like a major league field and every modern athletic equipment is ready for the athletes training there for duty in Uncle Sam's service.

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France Will Set German Captives to Repair Havoc

Paris—The cabinet has decided that German war prisoners henceforth should be employed in reconstruction work in the liberated districts. It is planned that a minimum of 200,000 will be working in the devastated regions by March 20.

President Wilson will have before him an independent estimate of the actual physical damage suffered by France and Belgium during the war when the peace congress reaches the stage of discussing indemnities. A survey is now being planned and will probably be conducted by more than 200 American army officers chosen especially for the work.

In the opinion of some observers the bill of actual damages, when computed will be so great that the entente nations probably will be more concerned with the ability of the German people to foot the bill as it will stand than with the possibility of exacting further damages in the nature of punitive indemnities and war costs. President Wilson believes that damages should be restricted to restitution, reparation and restoration and should not be extended to financial punishment of the German people.

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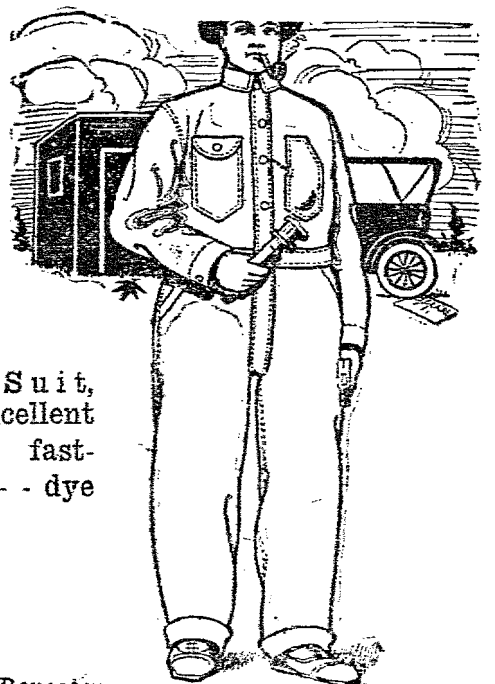
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MAGAZINE SECTION



Pigeon Writes a Letter

By Frank D. Bianco.

It had been a busy day for Pigeon and he had decided to spend the evening at the "Y" hut. Chow was long past over, so he walked over to the hut where the labors of the day were forgotten in pursuits of pleasure. Here was the easiest place in the world to forget your troubles and Pigeon wanted to forget his troubles that day. He had been on balloon detail and the trials had thoroughly worn him out and as he sat on a bench lazily fingering some magazines he decided to write a letter of his experiences and send it home to the folks down in sunny Texas.

We will try to produce his letter just as he had written it in his own quaint southern dialect and accent.

Dear Folks at Home:

Ah have written yo one letter since ah been here and ah just told yo dat ah has arrived all O. K. at Fo't Omaha and now ah wants to tell yo what ah has experienced to-day. Ah was taken out on what they call balloon detail. Yo all don't know what a detail is, but hit is a bunch of men what is called a detail and they are called out to work on dese yere balloons.

Folks yo sho ought to see one of dese here balloons and yo would done bust yo sides laughing, ah did the first time ah saw one and the Lute, dat's what we called the officers, the Lute he liked to cuss me black and blue for not paying attention. I started to tell you that you ought to have seen one of these here balloons. They look jess exactly like an elephant, you know one of those animals with the big ears and long nose. And they have great big ears that hang down and flap around in the wind like the elephants.

But you see the nose and ears get blowed up with wind when they go up in the air and then they look like fins on a fish, swimming way up there in the sky. As ah said before we was called out on balloon detail, so we marched over to the balloon shed to get the balloon. Lawdy the shed hit were a monstrous thing, not like our wood shed back home. No sree hit were made of iron or steel, as one of the boys told me and hit was a great big high one, higher than the trees and lawdy but ah wisht yo could see the doors on that shed. They was as high as the shed and was on rollers so they could slide back and forth. They was made of solid steel. Ah tells yo they was no use for burglars to try to break through those doors.

They have hangers, too, to keep their balloons in, but ah don't know why they called them hangers, maybe because they hung on the balloons. The hangers were great big tents like de tents dat came with the circus back home. Well, dear folks we got de balloon out of de shed and I believe now ah knows why dey called them elephant balloons. Because of the names they used in maneuvering the balloon.

Just as we got the balloon out of the shed the sergeant hollers "tail to the right," "nose to the left," ah looked for the tail and pretty soon the back end of the balloon from the nose began to move and as ah was in the center hit didn't effect me none so ah stood still and just turned like a

pivot. In that way we soon got the balloon over onto the field and then ah see's four fellahs bringing a square box and when ah sees it on close inspection hit looked like a basket, like yo clothes basket only square and lots bigger. This was fastened with ropes to the balloon and then they was ready to go up. These balloons are called captive balloons because they are fastened to an auto, called a winch, with a steel cable. This cable winds and unwinds and lets the balloon go up or down.

They go way up high until they look like toy balloons way up there. On a cloudy day the balloons go right through the clouds and disappear above the clouds. All you can see is the steel cable sticking right up in the air with nuffin hanging onto it.

We kept that up all day, sending the balloon up an and down each time with new Lutes. The first time the balloon came down the Sergeant hollers, "haul down," "hand over hand," and ah starts to climb up the hand ropes that we hold the balloon with. My partners pulled me down and said as was lucky the Lute didn't see me or ah would have spent another term in the Hoosegow.

Later in the day the Lute picks me out for lookout. He says to me to imagine that we was in the battle field, that is over in France and that all ah was to do was to lay on my back in the sun and look up at the balloon to see if they was any imaginary boches flying around up there and report when the balloon caught on fire. Ah looked all day and of course ah didn't see any, but ah did notice one thing and that hit was getting pretty windy up there. You see hit gets windy up in the sky and down here we don't know it at all. Ah was looking at the balloon just like the Lute tole me, and all of a sudden ah sees one of those fins on the balloon tear right open and flap around up there like the broken wing of a wild goose. Ah told the Lute and he phones up to the Lutes in the basket, you see there is a telephone wire from the balloon to the ground, and the ground Lute tells them that their balloon is ripping. They was so busy observing, that is the work they do up there in the sky. They are supposed to look for any imaginary guns of the boches that shoot up the allies lines and then report all the moves the enemy makes behind his lines. Well these Lutes were so busy observing they didn't know their balloon was ripping. That's why they tole me the lookout was so important.

Well, they tried to pull that balloon down and she started to wobble from one side to the other and the winch couldn't budge her. They reports a wind of sixty miles an hour up there and down on the ground we didn't feel a small breeze even. Well that balloon kept wabbling so the winch couldn't get a start and then the Lutes telephoned that some of the ropes are bustin.

An emergency call is sent for about 200 men and they all gets busy on the cable and give a hand and pull slow and steady, that way they start to bring her down. All the way down she pitches from one side to the other and once she stood up on her nose and then another

time the basket was riding up on her side. Those Lutes didn't have no parachutes or they would have jumped. When the balloon did get down the basket was hanging with one rope and all the others were wrapped around her so she couldn't hardly be untied. I'll tell you those Lutes may seem brave but they was some scared, I don't blame them a bit.

That ended the flying that day so we taked the balloon back to the shed, her ropes badly in need of repairs and also her broken wing. Hit sure war excitin and ah sho thinks ah will have some exciting times when ah gets ovah dere. Now dat ah have written it off my chest ah feels much better so ah will say good night to yo all.

Yo son,

PIGEON.

P. S. Ah forgot to tell yo what a parachute was. Hit is a great big sheet with strings that opens like er umbrella and you float down in the air just like a bird. When I get home ah guess ah'll make one and try jumpin off the cotton shed.

Pigeon sealed the letter and addressed it and as he dropped the letter in the box the piano began to play "Home Sweet Home." Most of the boys had left and the Y secretaries were cleaning up ready to close up. Pigeon yawned, took a drink and went to his barracks.

Next week: Another adventure of Pigeon.

SECRETARY OF WAR ASKS LEGISLATION

Baker Asks Repeal of Law Limiting Voluntary Enlistments.

Washington, D. C.—Immediate legislation authorizing resumption of voluntary enlistment in the army and the repeal of provisions of the selective service act limiting enlistments to the period of the war was urged by Secretary Baker in a letter to Chairman Dent of the house military committee.

Communicating his request for new legislation for the army, the secretary of war said that without the legislation the army, after the proclamation of peace, would not have sufficient forces to perform essential military duty, including the policing of the Mexican border.

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Bring her, oh, son, choicest gifts from thy journeys,
The best is the worst you may proffer to her,
Yes, hers are the hands that molded and made thee,
Worship and honor! her life, she's made thine.

Kiss from her brow all war-thoughts and horrors,
Up-lift her and raise her to calm and repose,
Be, men, the master of men she would have thee,
But make thine home-coming the sweetest of all.

Army Has Great Postal System for Handling Soldiers' Mail

With Pershing's Army.—The American doughboy in France has become the world's most prolific letter writer.

There's one central postoffice for the army over here, that each day handles more than 600,000 letters that one American soldier writes to another who is in France.

This does not take into account at all the millions of letters that the American soldiers write home every week.

The Y. M. C. A., which furnishes practically all the writing paper and envelopes, for the army's correspondence, will be required to spend more than \$2,250,000 for stationery alone in 1919.

The officers in charge of the army's central postoffice was formerly superintendent of mails in a

large American city. "Handling mail at home was child's play compared to what it is over here," he said, "for the reason that nearly every unit in our army is constantly on the move, and each day has seen thousands of men changed about from one outfit to another.

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A charming matron who has come back to Fort Omaha to live. Mrs. Boettcher was married at Fort Omaha sixteen months ago at the quarters of Major B. B. Daggett, her father, who is now in France. Colonel H. B. Hersey gave the bride away at the wedding, and Mrs. Howard White was matron of honor, and an interesting coincidence of the wedding was the big cannon went off just as they were pronounced man and wife. Mrs. Boettcher attended school in Buffalo, N. Y., and her mother and two sisters are making their home in Washington, where Major B. B. Daggett will be assigned on his arrival home from overseas.

On Flight

Second Lieutenant Hugo F. Froehlich has been relieved from his present duties and assigned to command of the Seventy-fourth balloon company.

First Lieutenant Ernest W. Blackburn has been relieved from his present duties and assigned to command of the Seventy-fourth balloon company.

First Lieutenant Beverly W. Holmes has been relieved from the Seventy-third balloon company and assigned to command of the Fifty-ninth balloon company.

Major Arthur Boettcher, in addition with his other duties, has been appointed surveying officer of Fort Omaha and Florence Field.

Major Eugene W. Crockett has been appointed surveying officer of Fort Crook in connection with his other duties.

Second Lieutenant Robert H. Finley has been relieved from duty with the first flying cadet company.

Second Lieutenant George C. MacLeod has been relieved from duty with the Seventy-fourth balloon company and detailed as supply officer of Florence Field and attached to the Fiftieth balloon company.

Major Russell T. Crawford has been appointed summary court officer.

Lieutenant James T. Neely has been detailed as assistant to post signal officers, being relieved from his present duties.

Second Lieutenant Edward H. Dezendorf has been relieved from his present duties and assigned to the Sixty-third balloon company.

Second Lieutenant Robert H. Finley in connection with his other duties has been assigned to command the Forty-seventh balloon company.

First Lieutenant Harry Weber has been detailed as officer in charge of recruits at Fort Crook, in addition to his other duties.

Second Lieutenant Otto U. Weimer has been assigned as commanding officer of the Seventy-

fourth balloon company.

Second Lieutenant Steward R. Kirkpatrick has been detailed as assistant to the adjutant, having been relieved as assistant to the executive officer, Florence Field.

Second Lieutenant Andrew R. Harris has been relieved from the Seventy-fifth balloon company and assigned to the Fiftieth balloon company.

Second Lieutenant Charles A. Ogilbee has been relieved from the Fiftieth balloon company to take command of the Seventy-fifth balloon company.

Second Lieutenant Edward M. Dezendorf has been relieved from the Sixty-third balloon company to take command of the Sixty-second balloon company.

Captain Gordon B. Logan has been granted a two-day leave of absence.

Red Cross

The Red Cross canteen at the Union depot has been rendering many kind services to the soldiers on trains passing through Omaha.

Over 9,117 men were entertained in the month of December, while over 800 men have been received between December 11 and January 1 in their canteen-quarters, where coffee and doughnuts were served.

Fifty-three wounded soldiers who were passing through Omaha on Tuesday to the Letterman hospital, San Francisco, Cal., were entertained by the canteen ladies and taken to the Omaha Athletic club for dinner, followed by a theater party at the Boyd as guests of the World-Herald.

Entertainments

The Girls' Community Club House is always open to young ladies of Omaha.

The Dramatic society of the Commercial High school gave a vaudeville show for the soldiers of Fort Crook Wednesday evening.

The officers and enlisted men of Florence Field and Fort Crook are giving a farewell military ball at the Auditorium Saturday evening, January 25, for the benefit of the post activities.

The farewell military ball given by the Forty-seventh balloon company at the Auditorium Saturday evening proved to be the largest dance ever held at the city Auditorium.

The dance was on until 1 a. m., having twenty featured dances, one an oriental dance. The building was beautifully decorated with streamers, festoons and colored electric lights. The snowstorm dance was followed was a shower of confetti. Souvenir parachutes fell from the ceiling. "Over the Top" was presented on the stage.

The Mesdames Johnson, Lady, Schwartz and Williams of the Dundee Ladies' Patriotic league sponsored the dance.

Among the many attending were noticed Mayor Smith and staff.

Forty-nine wounded soldiers, on their way to San Francisco, were brought to the Auditorium in Red Cross machines by Red Cross canteeners.

Colonel Jacob W. S. Wuest, Colonel R. C. Caldwell, Major and Mrs. Russell T. Crawford, Major and Mrs. Eugene W. Crockett, Major and Mrs. Arthur Boettcher, Major and Mrs. Martin J. O'Brien, Captain Frank W. Goodale, Captain Frank C. Ayling, Captain F. DeP. Townsend, Lieutenants Ernest W. Blackburn, Roland J. Gaupel, Frank J. Boyle, Harold W. Mills, Raymond L. Fulmer, Ralph A. Reynolds, Everett K. Hawley, Albert A. Yarbrough, James B. Jordan, Larry G. Hunt, Francis A. Reynolds, Roscoe G. Conklin, Wallace N. Griswold, George C. Lundberg, Karl Dedolph, George Maccloud, Charles A. Ogilbee, Clarence R. Jacobson, Herman M. Brown, Sanford M. Warren and Steward R. Kirkpatrick were also present.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Angier H. Foster were hosts at a dinner Monday evening, having as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Erick Nelson.

Among the ladies who served at the Red Cross canteen last week were Mesdames Robert Switzer and Fred Nash and the Misses Erna Reed, Helen Walker, Helen Pearce, Corinne Elliott, Gertrude Stout, Margaret Nelson, Emily Keller, Dorothy Balback, Hazel Peterson, Virginia Offutt, Margaret Malchiet, Winnifred Smith and Helen Allemen.

Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest was called by telegram to her summer home in Eau Gallie, Fla., last Monday, where her father is seriously ill.

The Red Cross circle, which meets every Thursday afternoon at the quarters of Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest, has been postponed until she returns from Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Mallory entertained at dinner Sunday evening for a number of enlisted men of Fort Omaha who have received their discharges and several cadets of Fort Omaha who have been transferred to Arcadia, Cal. Covers were laid for ten.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Walter W. L. Fottrell of Fort Crook entertained a number of guests at a dinner Saturday evening.

Miss Mary Sheldon has been the house-guest of Lieutenant and Mrs. Lewallace Taylor for the week-end.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Walter W. L. Fottrell left last week for Philadelphia, where Mrs. Fottrell will remain until Lieutenant Fottrell is released from the service.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Arthur Burgess entertained most informally Lieutenant and Mrs. George C. Lundberg at a dinner Sunday evening.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Frank E. Dennen entertained a card party Wednesday evening. Their guests were Major and Mrs. Eugene W. Crockett, Major and Mrs. R. L. Hamilton, Lieutenant and Mrs. William H. Siefert, Lieutenant and Mrs. Otto U. Weimer, Lieutenant and Mrs. L. C. Kimberlain and Mr. and Mrs. John Scott.

Captain and Mrs. Wriston Alexander have given up their quarters at Fort Crook. Lieutenant Alexander having been transferred to Florence Field.

Lieutenant Sheets of Fort Crook, who has been ill for the past week, is improving, and able to be around.

Her many friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. John L. Travis, who

sprained her ankle some time ago, is improving.

Mrs. John Scott of Fort Crook entertained at dinner Saturday evening in honor of Lieutenant and Mrs. Frank E. Dennen.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Angier H. Foster entertained Captain F. DeP. Townsend at a dinner Tuesday evening.

Miss Pauline Roth entertained a number of guests of Fort Omaha at a dance at her home Wednesday evening.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Arthur I. Burgess of Fort Crook entertained at dinner Sunday evening, having as their guests Lieutenant and Mrs. George C. Lundberg.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Ralph A. Reynolds entertained at dinner Friday evening in honor of Lieutenant and Mrs. A. H. Foster.

Captain and Mrs. Gordon B. Logan have taken quarters at Fort Omaha. They moved on the post Monday.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Karl Dedolph entertained Mayor and Mrs. Martin J. O'Brien and Lieutenant and Mrs. William F. Collins at a dinner Tuesday evening.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Robert H. Loomis have given up their quarters at Fort Omaha. Lieutenant Loomis having received his release from the service. They will leave next week for Kansas City and Excelsior Springs, where they will visit friends.

Major and Mrs. Russell T. Crawford and Lieutenant and Mrs. George C. Lundberg and Mrs. C. A. Young formed a party Friday evening to hear Mme. Amelita Galli-Curci.

Lieutenant and Mrs. William S. Taylor entertained Major and Mrs. Arthur Boettcher at a dinner Friday evening.

Captain Newman entertained a number of guests at the Officers' club at Fort Crook Monday evening.

Captain and Mrs. Howard White were guests of the Rev. James Stenson at the Auditorium Friday evening to hear Mme. Amelita Galli-Curci.

Miss Dorothy Fleming, who has been the house guest of Captain and Mrs. Harold A. Wise for the week-end, left Thursday for her home in Denver, Colo.

Mrs. Albert Wedemeyer, who has been ill for the past week, is improving nicely.

Current Events

It was evident on last Monday evening that Lieutenant "Rolly" Gaupel was in league with the engagement of the Orpheum. Even Leona La Mar, however, couldn't resist a stab at Rolly's "baseball" mustache. Same old stuff—nine on a side. It would have been better had she said it was becoming, because it may be coming.

Word has been received from Lieutenant Cyrus B. Kauffman giving some very interesting information about the villages in France.

Lieutenant Kauffman is connected with the Tenth balloon company, and when they arrived in the small village of Ville sur Couances, stated that they found mud several feet thick, and running around the barracks were big rats wearing service stripes.

Lieutenant-Colonel Edward E. Kelly of the Blue Ridge division passed through Omaha Tuesday on the way to his home in Oregon.

Released from Service

Among those who have received their release from the service and who will leave in the near future are Lieutenants Richard Walton, Robert Loomis, Harold Hine, Leroy Perkins, Walter Struby, Owen Brown, Robert Scott, James L. Collins and Alfred Schooley.

Visiting

Lieutenants William H. Siefert and Theodore E. Nelson have received a ten-day leave of absence.

Lieutenants Robert Finley, Orville Anderson, Theodore Faulk and Edward Dezendorf have received a four-day leave of absence.

Red Cross Girl Dies in France



Miss Maude Jean Butler.

To our knowledge the Engineering Department has not given any of its boys to the battlefields of France, but the cause of America has lost a devoted and valiant little fighter in Jean Butler, whose death in Paris was recently announced.

Her earnest efforts to go overseas in clerical work for the Red Cross were rewarded last October, and we know she has performed since that time her tasks eagerly and well, to her untimely passing.

A host of friends will miss the sunny disposition of our loyal and energetic co-worker, who gave so willingly the fullest measure of sacrifice a true patriot can lay upon the altar of one's country.

Her loss will be a keen one to every friend she leaves, for her ready smile and willing hands endeared her to us all. Our consolation must be that we are rich in the splendid inspiration she leaves with us, and in the memory of her friendship in the days she did her bit among us.

Dances

The Lafayette club is giving a dance Saturday evening, January 18, at the Girls' Community House, 1716 Dodge street.

The D. T. A. club is entertaining at a dance at the K. of C. hall at Fort Omaha Wednesday evening, January 22.

The Joan of Arc club will give a dance at Fort Omaha Wednesday evening, January 23.

The Loyalty club is entertaining at a dance at Florence Field on Wednesday, January 23.

The Patriots' club will have open house and give a feature dance Saturday evening, January 25, at the Girls' Community House (Jacobs Hall).

The dancing class at the Army and Navy club, held on Tuesday and Friday evenings, hereafter will be divided into two sections, the beginners' class, from 7:30 to 8 o'clock, and the advanced class, from 8 to 9 o'clock.

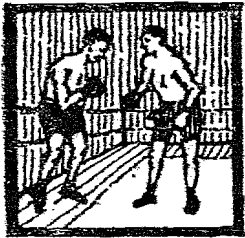
The Patricia club will give a dancing party Monday evening, January 20, at their hall, Twenty-second and Locust streets. Men in uniform will be the guests of the club.

The employees of the Paxton & Gallagher company are entertaining a dance Friday evening, January 17, at Turpin's Dancing Academy, Twenty-eighth and Farnam streets. Men in uniform cordially invited.

Y. M. C. A.

Notwithstanding the withdrawal of so many men from the post this week, the "Y" will continue to put on its program as in the past. Sunday services at 10 in the morning and 7:30 in the evening. Movie shows Tuesday and Friday nights. Religious meeting Thursday night. Lectures and entertainments Monday and Wednesday nights.

Bye-bye society
Until we meet again.



SPORTING - NEWS



SECOND BIG FIGHT NIGHT TO BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 3

Lieutenant Faulk Will Have
Charge of Athletic Card
at Garage No. 2.

Stars of Last Program to
Appear Again in Next
Carnival.

February 3 will be the date of the second "Fight Night" at Fort Omaha, it was announced by Lieutenant Faulk, who will have charge of the program.

The last fight night at the Omaha balloon post was a huge success. As many sport enthusiasts from Omaha as soldiers from the fort attended the contests and the verdict that it was a success was unanimous.

The army lads are keen and willing fighters. They hit hard and clean, and each blow is accompanied by a "whoop" from their comrades.

Three six-round bouts and three four-round goes will comprise the February 3 program.

Battling Kirby, who formerly was champion of the Canadian army, will again appear. His opponent has not yet been selected. Kirby says he is willing to fight anybody his weight.

Dempsey and Erickson will resume hostilities. Dempsey hopes to put the K. O. touch on Erickson this time while the little Swede is seeking revenge.

Gates and Henderson will go six rounds in the 145-pound class.

The Fiftieth company will spring a dark horse in the heavyweight class. The company men are putting their faith and their money on this big bruiser and in the hope of putting one over, refuse to disclose his identity.

Other combatants on the program are yet to be named.

The Fort Omaha military band will play.

Flu Masks Worn at Basketball Game

Columbia, Mo.—Missouri university's basketball team defeated the Iowa Aggies of Ames, Ia., here, 34 to 16, in the season's first Missouri valley conference championship game. The crowd wore masks because of the Spanish influenza quarantine.

HEROES PLAY GOLF TO REGAIN HEALTH

The arrival of winter presents difficulties in the path of these health seekers who live in the north, which can only be surmounted by temporary migration to a southern clime. The mildness and desirability of the climate in San Antonio, Tex., as well as the fact that the city has become known as one of the greatest golfing centers of the United States, has attracted the attention of the government.

The army base hospital at Fort Sam Houston has established wards for the care of wounded soldiers, and the city itself houses many who wear the gold chevron, and have sought out San Antonio for "taking it easy" during the winter months.

The mecca for these men who are able to get about and indulge in some form of outdoor exercise is in the municipal eighteen-hole golf course.

The San Antonio Country club golf links, located in the hills to the north of the city, and the Huisache course are used extensively by the men in uniform.

Robson Defeats Laurette.

Cleveland, O.—Tommy Robson of Malden, Mass., knocked out Walter Laurette, claimant of the European welterweight championship, in the first round of a scheduled ten-round boxing contest.

Eighth Perfect Score, Bowling in Seven Years

Toledo, O.—Bowling in a match game here William Elwert, a member of the Page Dairy bowling team that won the state championship last year at Cleveland, rolled a perfect score of 300. It was the eighth time in the last seven years that Elwert has made the highest possible count in a single game.

NEW YORK NATIONAL LEAGUE CLUB IS SOLD

McGraw With Stoneham and
McQuade in Control of
Giants Now.

New York—Among features of the week of baseball reconstruction here, the most important were:

The New York National club, the best paying one in the major league, was sold.

Negotiations for the purchase of the St. Louis Nationals reached a stage where it appeared as though the property would soon change hands.

The major and minor leagues took lengthy council and strengthened their hands for the battle for and against the elimination of the draft.

In its far-reaching effect the contest between the majors and minors was the outstanding feature of the day of conferences. Members of the big and little circuits were in session, formal or informal, all day and late into the evening.

While the magnates of both groups were chaffy of information regarding the progress being made, it was evident that no common ground had been reached.

The new International league, through its president, David L. Fultz, went on record in favor of the abolition of the draft, as did informal meetings.

So far as could be gathered from the individual expressions of the big leaguers, they are not disposed to grant the demands of the minors, but are not adverse to a compromise.

It was said Russell Gardner of St. Louis, with James C. McGill, former owner of the Indianapolis, Denver and Springfield clubs, had made an offer for the Cardinals. If the club changes hands it is understood Jack Hendricks will be retained as manager, but the future of Branch Rickey, the present executive, is uncertain.

Great interest was displayed in the change of control of the New York Giants, and John J. McGraw, now vice president, and his new partners, Charles A. Stoneham and Judge Francis X. McQuade, were kept busy all day receiving the congratulations of baseball magnates and fans, both in this city and other points along the big and little circuits.

Though McGraw is vice president he intends to continue as manager, and for that reason will be barred from sessions of the magnates.

RITCHIE MITCHELL WINS FROM SAILOR FRIEDMAN

Milwaukee, Wis.—Ritchie Mitchell, Milwaukee lightweight boxer, was given the unanimous newspaper decision over Sailor Friedman, Chicago, in a ten-round nondecision bout. Mitchell had a wide margin in a majority of the rounds, scoring a knockdown in the fourth session.

Shevlin to Fight Bashan.

London—Eddie Shevlin of Boston, champion welterweight of the United States navy, has been matched to fight Johnny Bashan, champion welterweight of England, at the National Sporting club January 23.

A private passed an officer without saluting and was stopped and asked "Why didn't you salute me?"

Private—I did not see you were a second lieutenant.

2nd Lt.—How do you know I am a second lieutenant?

Private—Because you stopped me.—Judge.

\$11,000 SALARY LIMIT FOR NATIONAL CLUBS

Magnates Adopt That Figure
as Maximum for Monthly
Payroll.

New York—National league baseball players will receive an unpleasant surprise with their 1919 contracts as a result of the magnates' action in adopting a club salary limit of not more than \$11,000 per month.

This is the most radical financial retrenchment attempted by a major league in many years and will prove a startling upset to those diamond stars who have expected a continuation of the high salaries and long-time contracts of pre-war days.

Under the new regulation, which was adopted by a vote of 6 to 2, the maximum monthly salary limit during the playing season must not exceed \$11,000, plus the manager's salary. This will make the seasonal payroll foot up approximately \$60,000, for a playing period of about five and a half months.

With a club roster of twenty-two players the average will be \$500 per player per month. The new rule also carries a penalty, in the form of a fine of \$5,000, for every infraction.

Would Amend Waiver Rule.

The minor organization finally agreed on the form of their request for lifting the draft regulations and the national leaguers went on record regarding a number of proposed changes which they desired the American league jointly to adopt at the special meeting of the two leagues yesterday.

The league desired to amend the waiver rule so players cannot be recalled once waivers are asked and also stated it was the sentiment of the organization that a similar rule was desirable with the American league to cover cases of players waived from one league to the other.

No action was taken on the player limit, it being decided to consult with the American league magnates tomorrow in order that the lowest possible limit may be agreed upon. The present regulations call for twenty-one players in the American league after May 15, and twenty-two in the National.

The Nationals readopted the rule barring the beginning of spring practice earlier than thirty days before the opening of the season.

World Series Plans.

Changes in the present world series rules also were favored and will be discussed with the American league at the joint meeting tomorrow. It is proposed to amend the rules placing the players upon a percentage basis as far as the money awards are concerned without fixing a maximum or minimum amount, as was the case last season.

Dividing a portion of the players' pool among the men of the first four clubs, as in the past, was advocated.

Thirty representatives of ten minor leagues discussed proposed changes in the National agreement, which was presented to the joint meeting of the National and American leagues yesterday with a request that a reply be given them by 6 o'clock Friday evening.

The Minor's Proposition.

The principal changes recommended for the present draft rule and the formation of a new governing board on which two major leagues and the National association would have equal representation. The board would settle all disputes or complaints involving major and minor leagues only.

The minors' proposition regarding the draft rule is that major league clubs may arbitrarily purchase one player from each club in Class AA for \$7,500 between November 1 and 10. In case the player is not retained for the entire season he is to be resold (copyright title) to the club from which he was purchased for \$2,500, and in the event the club waives priority, he is to be offered to all the clubs in the same classification for \$1,000, except the club that sold him.

ENGLISH GOLFERS WILL NO COME TO AMERICA

Omaha golf enthusiasts will be disappointed to learn that Harry Vardon and Edward Ray, the noted English golfers, are not coming to America this year.

When announcement that these crack European golfers contemplated a visit to these shores was made, the Omaha Athletic club planned to make an effort to bring them to Omaha for an exhibition and local disciples of the game were looking forward to a rare treat.

It has been announced from London that the Britishers will forego their journey to America this year at least.

FORT QUINTET RETURNS FROM DISASTROUS TRIP

The Fort Omaha basketball team completed its trip to Lincoln, where the post team dropped four games, three to the University of Nebraska and one to Wesleyan.

Lieutenant R. H. Finley, coach, is not discouraged by the early defeats of the team. He attributes it to lack of practice by the fort boys. He also declared that before the Lincoln games the team had no

opportunity to play upon a large floor. Lieutenant Finley is now planning a schedule for the season. The tournament between the company teams closed this week.

Meet Only in Chicago.

Chicago, Ill.—All future meetings of the American association club owners will be held in Chicago. In making the announcement President Thomas J. Hickey said that if for any reason it appeared advisable to hold meetings in one of the association cities, a majority vote would be required.

"What did you do before you enlisted, Jones?"

"I was vice president of the Samson Rubber Co., sir."

"Good; then you must pump up my motorcycle tires."

THE FORCE OF HABIT.

Veteran—When I get out of the army I'm never going near a big city.

Recruit—Why?

Veteran—Because if a traffic cop should blow his whistle, I would instinctively start to police up the street.—Judge.

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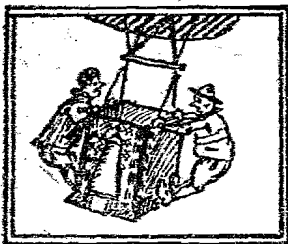
And the first thing you'll want to be sure about is the style of clothes. The latest thing isn't too late for you. The second is quality, and surely the best isn't too good for you.

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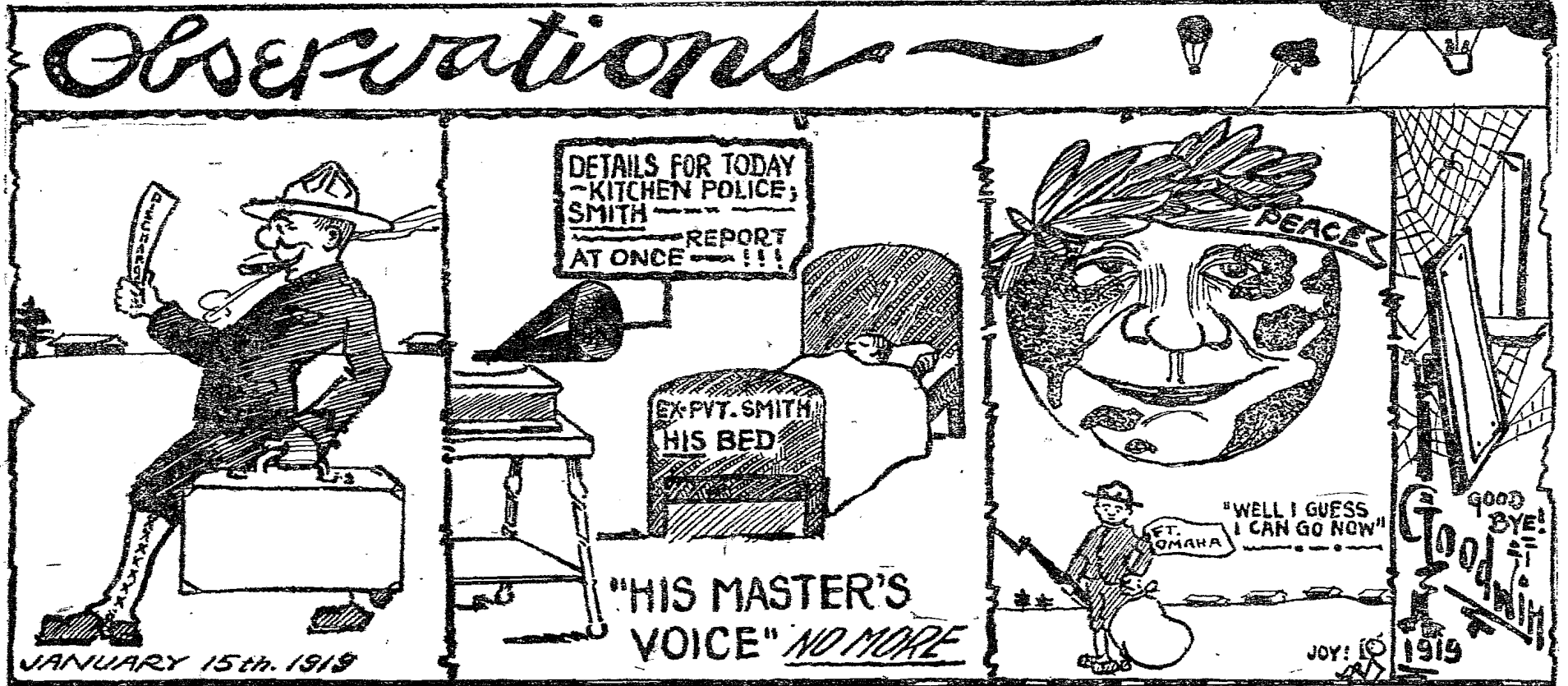
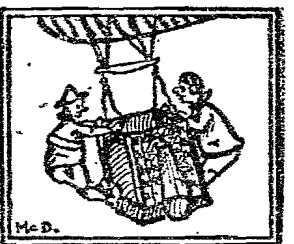
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IN YEARS TO COME.

Let's lay aside our daily task,
And think of questions folks will ask.
And look ahead for ten long years,
And try and picture our careers.

With sonny perched upon your lap
All dressed up in soldier's cap.
And while wiggles on your knees,
He asks you questions such as

Say daddy, tell me all about the war,
Just what you did and what you saw.
Were you in the trenches and over the top,
Did you hear the guns go pop-pop-pop?

Did you see the Germans turn and run,
When you and your comrades turned loose your gun.
Tell me how many dutchmen did you kill,
When you and your comrades charged the hill?

Ma said, when they began this war,
You joined the Aviation Corps.
I'll bet you flew away up high,
And brought down Germans from the sky.

And when you flew over German ground,
And dropped your air bombs all around,
Did General Pershing watch and say,
"That flier sure has saved the day."

And then with all these questions asked,
You picture your illustrious past.
Instead of watching air ships fall,
You took your stand in Omaha.

Instead of your rifle firmly gripped,
From Texas to Fort Omaha you were shipped,
And there with those warriors you took your stand,
In the Personnel Office, pen in hand.

But you, a brave daddy, shake your head,
And send the youngster off to bed,
For instead of fighting in the sky,
All the lights you saw were in the "Y."—Revised Ex.

ANYTHING FOR DELAY.

"Private Blank," said the colonel severely, reprimanding a doughboy for a minor breach of military regulations, "what would you do if I should tell you that you were to be shot at sunrise?"

"Gosh, colonel," replied the Yank, watching the shadow of a grin steal over his officer's face, "I'd sure pray for a cloudy day."—Indianapolis Star.

AROUND OMAHA.

Good bye to Fort Omaha
Conceded to be the best post in the country
Called the Old Soldiers' Home by those who have spent many months within its confines.
Good bye we say again May your years be peaceful

I THANK YOU.

A Great Relief.
When an officer enters a room in which there are enlisted men, the first to observe him calls, "Attention!" and all stand at attention. Unless the officer has something to say to the men, he usually commands "As you were!" All then resume their former activities. A new recruit had been sent down to headquarters to clean up the rooms. In the course of his work he blundered into a room in which he found a number of colonels and generals conferring. He decided he did not belong there and beat a hasty retreat. He felt, however, that he had omitted something. So a moment later he stuck his head through the door and bellowed, "As you were!"

When He Balked.

By R. H. Wilson, U. S. S. Massachusetts.
The boat reserved for the captain's private use on a battleship is known as the captain's "gig." A division officer received the following scornful reply from a new recruit whom he had just ordered to "turn to" with the boat crew on the captain's gig:
"Sir, I spent most of my first day aboard here looking for green oil for the green lights, and a good share of my second looking for the key to the starboard watch, and if you think I'm fool enough to spend my third looking for a two-wheeled horse cart on a battleship you've got another think coming!"

A True American.

By Lieutenant Theo. W. Davis, School of Fire, Ft. Sill, Okla.
On returning home from "over there," I showed the man who runs the corner grocery near home a five-franc piece, which happens to be about the size of our silver dollar. He turned it over two or three times, tried to make out the writing, then looked up and remarked:
"Those Frenchmen have certainly made a good imitation of our dollar!"

Whatever may be the matter with the kaiser's nerves, we know it isn't shell-shock—Kansas City Star.

SWITZERLAND.

I don't want to travel in Switzerland,
I'm particular whom I meet,
And a lot of ex-kings
And princes and things
Will be loafing around in the street.

Hotels will be cluttered with royalty,
With sovereigns looking for jobs,
With sublime potentates
And ex-rulers of states
And thousands of once-regal slobs.

I don't want to bump into Ferdinand
Selling lead pencils and laces,
And sad Constantine
With his peanut machine,
I'm weary of seeing their faces.

I don't mind subscribing to charity
Or dropping my dimes in a cup,
But I've got no hoodle
To spend on a noodle
Who's tried to crimp me with a Krupp.

I don't care for Charlie of Austria,
I'm sort of exclusive that way.
He can sell souvenirs
For twenty-five years
And not get a jolt of my pay.

I don't care to travel in Switzerland,
I'll dodge all those beggars and bums,
I'll do my sight-seeing
Among human beings,
I never care much for the slums.
—Kelly Field Eagle.

The Reason Why.

Before entering the army, this rookie was a peaceful lad, but rising at 5:15 a. m. went against his principles. On this particular morning, as he fell in line by the light of the full moon, his bunkie heard him mutter:

"It's clear to me now. Why didn't I think of that long ago?"
Bunkie (puzzled)—What's clear to you now?
Rookie—The reason why all the great battles begin at daybreak.
Bunkie—Why?
Rookie—Because when men have to get up at that time they feel so much like fighting.

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Feminine Favor.

A first lieutenant was visiting a friend who was not as yet in the service, the reason being mainly a little three-year-old. The lieutenant was holding that personage on his new fifty dollar serge lap and the little miss wriggled down.

"Emme down, 'emme down!" He let her down and after a few steps she turned back as if undecided. He followed his advantage.
"Here, little girlie, come back. I am not through looking at you yet."
"Yeh, but I've froo 'looking at 'oo sodjer man!"

—Judge.

Explained.

By Lieutenant T. C. Fulkerson, 5th Field Artillery, Fort Sill, Okla.
"Twas in the old days—the days of the '181' leather 'putts.' Hughes was only a kid, and was famed among his companions-in-arms for the simplicity of his preparations for slumber.

One morning late in the fall, his captain noticed a shortcoming in his clothing at reveille, and astonished him with:

"Hughes, where is your other leggin?"
Hughes looked down at his legs—then to the captain:
"Sir," he said, "it must have fallen off during the night!"

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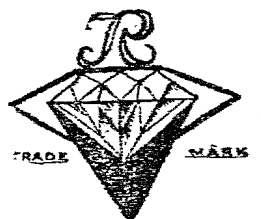
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THE CARTOON.

Since the beginning of the war Uncle Sam has played in many roles, but in none that will have such a potent influence in the nation's future welfare as that of instructor.

The United States army of the past eighteen months has been the greatest manual training school in history. Men of every trade were needed to keep tactical divisions in fighting trim on the front. It was essential that these men be trained thoroughly in their special lines of work and innumerable schools were organized with this purpose in view.

Under the guidance of Uncle Sam automobile drivers were made into expert mechanics, office clerks into competent stenographers, laborers into skilled workmen.

Tomorrow the nation's industries will take these graduates into their fold better fitted for their special lines of endeavor than when they left civilian life.

DON'T BE A BOLSHEVIST.

One-third of the command is being discharged this week.

The greater part of the men will remain here for a few weeks—or months at most. Many have been in the service, practically since war was declared. It is natural that they should feel disappointed because they were not discharged with the first quota.

Common sense, however, tells us that it would be inexpedient to discharge the entire army in one day. For no more than could such a great army be raised in minutes can it be disbanded in so short a time.

Economical conditions needs must take some time to adjust themselves to a peace time basis.

Eighteen months ago you came unhesitatingly to the aid of your country in its time of danger from foreign enemies.

Today you can serve it as well by adjusting yourself as best you can to these abnormal conditions.

Many have given their lives. All that is asked of you is a little time.

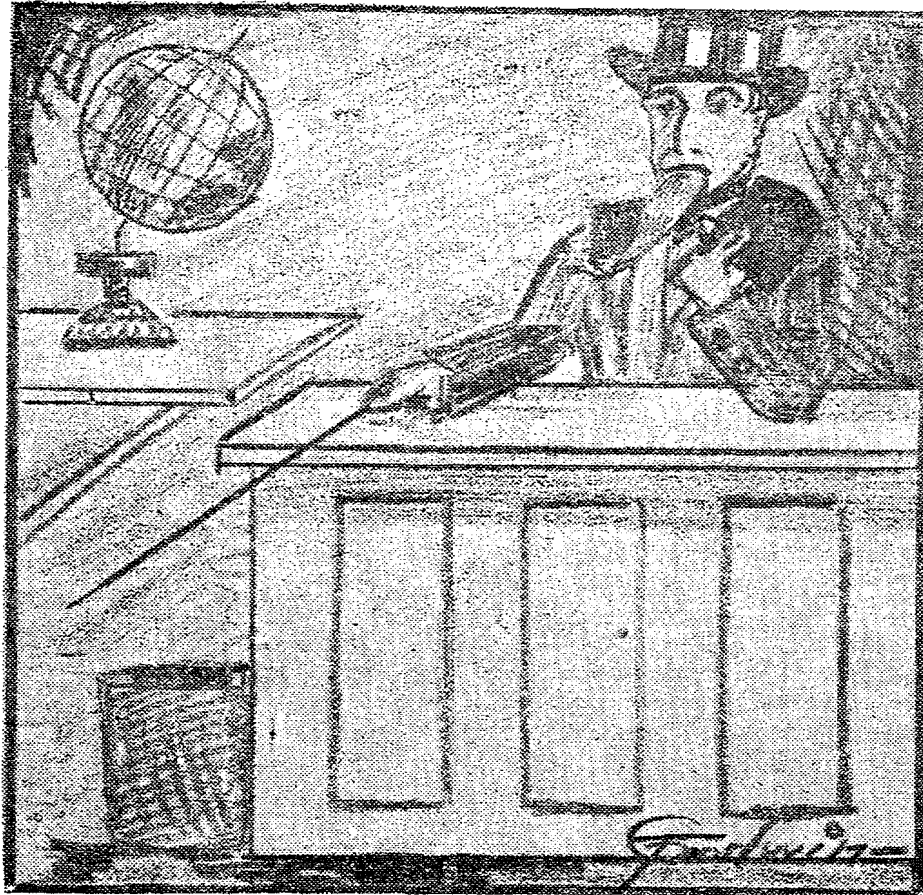
DON'T BE A BOLSHIVIST.

DRESS UP.

The streets of Omaha are today infested with men who though supposed to be garbed in the uniform of a soldier in the United States army bear a closer resemblance to the traditional "Astor pup" than anything else.

Expensively tailored gabardine uniforms, "hand-me-down" over seas caps, and a variegated assortment of chevrons, stripes, bars and stars seem the

PREXY SAM



THE ROOKIE.

BY CHARLES R. ANGELL.

They send him after the gun report
Or maybe the skirmish line;
He often hunts for the bugle pump,
But never lets loose a whine;
He holds his gun in an awkward way;
He tangles his feet at drill,
But he pins his faith to a khaki suit
And the might of a stubborn will.

He knows the pangs of a homesick heart.
And blistering feet as well;
The call of "taps" is as sweet to him
As the sound of a vesper bell.
He hates the daylight that ends his sleep
And rouses the bugle's din,
But the gloom that scorches his very soul
Is masked by a cheerful grin.

So, here's a toast to the awkward lad
Who follows a battle creed,
And sweats and aches in an Army camp
To answer a nation's need:
He may be raw, and he may be green,
But he's part of a country's plan,
And one of the noblest works of God—
A regular fighting man.

order of the day.

On every side startlingly adorned creatures are appearing. One fellow walked down the street in civilian clothes wearing silver bars on his shoulders while another psychiatry candidate had ONE SILVER CHEVRON on his civilian overcoat.

No less ridiculous is the dress of many of the men yet in uniform. One sergeant was seen on the street who had Maha Rajah's dancing girls left at the post as far as spectacular and sparkling decorations are concerned. On his right arm he wore a pair of chevrons with a propeller and wing design that never was a part of the official uniform. Over

this in black and white covering his shoulder was a balloon. On his left arm he wore two scarlet chevrons, three silver ones and a gold star. To top off this beautiful array he wore on an over-seas cap an officers' official air service collar ornament.

It is time this circus parading of the streets stopped. Every man should conform to uniform regulations. As a duty he owes to his fellow soldiers he should take it upon himself whenever the opportunity presents itself to do his utmost to prevent others from making the uniform of the United States soldier a thing apropos a patent medicine advertisement.

Observations

By the Editor.

A

PAPER

FOR him

TO sign;

OF course

IT could be

ONLY his discharge

AND he hastened

TO the orderly room

AND took the pen

FROM the clerk and

LOOKED down and

THEN signed away four

CENTS for lost

IDENTIFICATION tags.

This time—literally—left at the POST.

Well George when you get out in God's country drink one for Ned and I anyway.

There's an H of a difference between an unconditional surrender and a Hun conditional.

The cynic probably by this time is beginning to appreciate somewhat the necessity for Woodrow Wilson's trip over the seas.

Philburt McNutt says that a Liberty bond is very similar to an absorbing book—because the interest is sustaining to the end.

The major's chauffeur says the new Cad has a bad knock—dropped two the other night down on Sixteenth street.

That's nothing, Howard, you should observe the pickup on our machine—we get a couple peaches every evening.

The top sergeant walked into the box office of the Boyd only seconds before the curtain. "Got two center aisle front seats?" panted he. The box office man started to hand them out. "Keep 'em," returned he of the stripes, "The show can't be any good."

There may have been a great bit of glory in being one of the gallant 400, but as for us nobody has anything on the first nonchalant 800.

To peek into some of the barracks at reveille these mornings one would think someone had filled the bugle with water and left it standing outdoors all night.

If there is anything more acceptable than a discharge it's two discharges—one for present use and the other before the next war starts.

Keep up thy faith.