

FORT OMAHA MAN RETURNS WITH A WOUND CHEVRON

Sergeant Pusey McGee of Eleventh Balloon Company Arrives Home.

SAYS BALLOON MEN GET PLENTY OF BIG ACTION

McGee Was Wounded in Attack While Inflating a Balloon.

"I got mine!" said Sergeant Pusey McGee of the Eleventh balloon company of Fort Omaha, who was wounded by a Hun sharpshooter in France, and returned to spend New Year's day with his mother and friends in Council Bluffs.

Sergeant McGee is probably the first Fort Omaha soldier to return from overseas service, and certainly the first to return with gold wound chevron on his right sleeve. He said the balloon men had a better opportunity to view the fighting than those in any other branch of the service.

"We could see everything," he said. "The aeroplane men are too busy with their own affairs to look around much. We were assigned to observation work between the heavy and light artillery."

Wouldn't Have Missed It. Sergeant McGee says he wouldn't have missed it for the world, but wouldn't give 2 cents to go back. "I am glad it is all over and I am home," he said.

He was wounded October 10 and arrived at home Tuesday night, only five days after he landed at New York.

He surprised his mother, Mrs. Kate McGee, Council Bluffs, by walking into the house just before midnight. She knew her son had landed at an eastern port, but supposed he was in a hospital and would not be home for several weeks.

Sergeant McGee was a member of the Eleventh balloon company, which trained at Fort Omaha. He was not kept in quarantine at the port of landing, as is customary, and spent only one day in New York. Less than twenty-four hours after he arrived at the hospital at Fort Des Moines he secured permission to come home and spend New Year's with his mother.

Although at the time Sergeant McGee was wounded there were more than 1,000,000 American soldiers in France, he was sent to a dressing station in charge of Unit K, Council Bluffs mobile field hospital unit, and his wounds were dressed under the supervision of Colonel Macrae, a lifelong acquaintance.

Returns to Hospital.

However, his wound is not entirely healed and he returned last Wednesday night to Des Moines. He will spend several weeks in either the hospital at Fort Des Moines or the one at Camp Dodge.

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Cross Atlantic in Airplane in April

Toronto.—With a five-engined Handley-Page airplane of about 2,000 horsepower, Lieutenant Colonel C. R. Collishaw of Nanaimo, B. C., says he will attempt a flight early in April across the Atlantic, leaving from New Foundland. He expects to make the trip of 1,800 miles in twenty-four hours. Besides himself the machine will carry two pilots and an operator.

Colonel Collishaw has sixty German airplanes downed to his credit and has won numerous war decorations.

A Fresh Candle



COUNTY FAIR MADE BIG HIT WITH MEN

Carnival Was Probably Feature of Entire Holiday Program.

The most enjoyable feature of the big holiday week schedule, carried out for the entertainment of the soldiers at Fort Omaha, was the novel "county fair," arranged by Lieutenant Cluck's committee and staged at garage No. 2 last Friday night.

The soldiers and their sweeties turned out in full force for the doings and everybody enjoyed themselves on account of the extreme informality of the occasion.

Plenty of noise, confetti, laughter and music raised the spirits of the crowds that thronged the "highway," of the fair and pushed into the various concessions and shows to satisfy the curiosity by glaring fronts and blaring barkers.

Corporal J. E. McGlynn was chief spieler. Attired in an honest-to-gosh dress suit and assisted by a competent corps of audience promoters, he succeeded in enticing the crowds into the shows.

"The Truth About the Discharge" was most popularly patronized. It proved to be a "cow's husband," standing stolidly on all fours in a specially constructed pen.

The knife thrower, the bearded lady, wild man, shiver dancer, minstrel quartet, and untamed animal show, were features that had to be seen to be appreciated. Each company had charge of a concession.

Much merriment and genuine fun was found at the booth where the privilege of pasting three tennis balls at the head of a real, live man could be purchased for the small sum of a jitney.

RETURN FROM LEAVE.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Karl Dedolph have returned from St. Paul, Minn., where the lieutenant spent a ten-day leave. Lieutenant Dedolph is now on duty at the post hospital, having been relieved by Lieutenant Riggs as Florence field surgeon.

LUCILE WAS RIGHT.

"What do these scarlet chevrons represent?" said Lucile at Merriut's the other afternoon, when Al and I dropped in for a coke.

"Discharge," answered Al, briefly.

"All wrong," smiled Lucile. "I'm told that they represent the red tape necessary to get a discharge!"

DISCUSS FUTURE OF CHEMICAL WARFARE

Will Keep Entire Gas Supply Until Peace Treaty Is Signed.

Washington, D. C.—The future of the chemical warfare branch of the army was discussed at a conference of senate military committee members with officers of the war department. All of the gas on hand, which was manufactured for use against the enemy, the senators were told, will be kept with precautions against explosions until actual signature of the peace treaty.

It is possible, the senators were advised, that the peace treaty will contain specific reference to the use of gas in future wars. If such warfare is prohibited the war department's stock, amounting to 2,700 tons, will be destroyed. If not, a small supply will be retained and the rest taken to sea and destroyed except a small part of which may be salvaged for commercial purposes.

LIEUT. HOUSTON LEAVES.

Lieutenant Mar Houston, one of Fort Omaha's best known medical officers, has been assigned temporarily to duty with the S. A. T. C. at Lincoln, Neb., and will leave at once for that place.

"Where do we go from here?" doughboys of the American army of occupation ask each other upon reaching their various objectives. The units paraded into towns behind their military bands, which in some instances gave concerts for the Germans.

Adjutant Warns Against Liberty Loan Sharks

NEW TRAINING CAMP AT ZACHARY TAYLOR

Lincoln, Neb.—Announcement has been made of the opening of a military training camp for civilians at the site of Camp Zachary Taylor, Louisville, Ky., to be conducted for two weeks beginning January 6.

The military training camp association is in charge. Applications must be made to the association before December 31. The cost is \$30.

FORMER FORT CROOK POST SURGEON DIES

Major Delaney, Recently Stationed Here, Meningitis Victim.

Major E. L. DeLauney, former post surgeon at Fort Crook, and long a resident of Omaha, died from meningitis at the Fort Des Moines base hospital and was buried here Sunday afternoon.

He had been on duty at Fort Crook for two years when he was transferred to Fort Des Moines last October.

Major DeLauney was born in Liege, Belgium, in 1872. At the age of 9 he came to this country with his parents who settled in the vicinity of Topeka, Kansas, later moving to South Omaha, Neb. The major received his common school education partly in Kansas and partly in Omaha. He attended the South High School from which he graduated, whereupon he entered the Creighton Medical College in 1897 from where he graduated in 1901, receiving the degree of M. D.

Upon completion of this course he began the practice of general surgery and medicine wherein he continued until the time he came to Fort Crook. The major has been stationed at this post at two different times, the last time from 1916 until October 1918, whence he was transferred to Fort Des Moines. Major DeLauney was considered one of the most well read the medical profession has ever known. He was a prominent writer for the foremost medical journals. The major was a specialist in Proctology.

In 1913 the major was commissioned first lieutenant, Medical Reserve Corps, in 1917 he was commissioned a captain and in 1918 major, M. C.

For some years the major instructed in Hygiene and Sanitation and Physical Diagnosis at his Alma Mater. The major was a member of the Missouri Medical Society, American Medical Association and Association of Military Surgeons. He was also a member of the Bee Hive Lodge No. 184, A. F. & A. M.

Large Military Funeral.

The largest military funeral ever held in Omaha was conducted at 2:30 Sunday afternoon over the body of Major DeLauney from Brewer's Chapel, South Omaha, where the body lay in state since its arrival from Fort Des Moines. The funeral was in charge of Major E. W. Crockett, Executive Officer of Fort Crook. It was participated in by a large body of soldiers as well as a host of relatives and civilian friends of the Major.

The procession started from the chapel and marched to St. Martin's Episcopal church, of which the major was a member. The procession was headed by the Fort Omaha band. Immediately in rear of the casket followed the major's riderless horse with boots reversed. The church was large enough to hold a very small portion of the crowd that attended and thousands of persons waited on the outside.

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Tells Soldiers to Go to Reliable Banking Houses if They Must Sell.

Liberty loan sharks are working in Omaha.

Captain John C. Ayling, post adjutant, yesterday directed that the men of Fort Omaha be warned of this through the Gas Bag.

Liberty Bonds are saleable at any bank at almost 100 per cent of their face value plus the accumulated interest. The loan sharks working in Omaha have been swindling persons out of from \$5 to \$15 on every bond sale. They are paying but \$88 to \$95 each for bonds.

Carter H. Glass, secretary of the treasury, as the first of his new duties, has started to fight these thieves. He is determined to stop the sale of bonds. Plans to prosecute the profiteer under the espionage act are now being worked out in the department of justice.

The Omaha authorities told Omaha papers they have no authority to proceed against the sharks.

Captain Ayling declared yesterday that none of the men of the post should sell their bonds as they are the best investment obtainable. However he said that in cases of dire necessity where a man positively must sell his Liberty Loan Bond to raise money he should sell it through a reliable banking house and not a free agent, real estate dealer or broker.

The editor of the Gas Bag visited several of the bond purchasers in the city and found deplorable conditions. He found numerous sharks eager to cheat the soldier on a bond sale.

He first called at the office of a man who gave his name as Mr. Hill and who has an office at Room No. 432, in the Security building. He told Mr. Hill that he was just discharged from the army and was badly in need of funds to pay his railroad fare to his home in New York state. Mr. Hill was all sympathy and offered to help the soldier in need. He told him he would give him \$45 each for two \$50 Third Liberty Loan Bonds. On this deal Mr. Hill would not only have made a profit of the difference in this and the market price of the bond, but also would have pocketed the accumulated interest on the bond.

A representative of the Hill Investment Company in the McCague building offered but \$91 for Second Liberty Loan Bond under practically the same conditions.

The face value of all bonds is the same, one hundred dollars. A bond shark, who did not advertise his name, located in Room No. 300 in the McCague Building, said that Second Liberty bonds were not worth as much as others and would give but \$90 for these although he offered \$92 for a bond of another issue.

The editor visited several other places and was offered various prices for a bond, ranging from \$90 to \$84. Although he declared that he was badly in need of money, none of the brokers offered to sell his bond for him at a reasonable profit.

Soldiers, owning Liberty Bonds, should make every effort to retain them. In cases where they positively must sell they should be sold reliable banking houses. This was the market price can be obtained on the bond.

Berlin boys and girls paraded the streets asking franchise for all persons 18 years of age, abolition of corporal punishment in schools and participation by children in government and school administration.

ORGANIZATION NEWS

HEADQUARTERS

Miss Owen received quite a nice New Year's present from some unknown admirer in the shape of a note sending a "nest of kisses." Wonder who the man is?

Miss Kendall appears to like the engineering department much better than the headquarters and is never tired of singing its praises on her visits here. Who or what is the attraction over there?

What is the cause of all those dreamy spells Miss Cole? Please give us his name.

Wedding bells are soon to be ringing at headquarters, from very confidential information we have. The lucky boy is getting a mighty fine girl and we wish them both luck.

Mr. Medhurst took his daughter Louise to the dentist and she had quite a strenuous time in the chair. Later his turn came and Louise made up for what she had suffered by helping the dentist, and she did a good job of it. Ask her daddy.

The bee farm is still in operation, so Sergeant Smith says.

We were favored with a visit from ex-Corporal Weir, who is now in civilian garb. We always told him he could not stay away from the army after he got discharged. We are expecting a visit from ex-Corporal Bayne when his banker's hours will permit.

Sergeant Smith has been very busy the last few days collecting helmets for the bees. It gets pretty cold down in old Sarpy county.

ENGINEERING DEPT.

At the Carnival last week Private McGlynn introduced a beautiful young lady, "Boigy", the beautiful Hula Hula dancer. Oh! how she did pose and dance.

Corporal Tempest has a new guitar. Well Temp how about another Bohemian wedding?

One of our boys was heard to say "Well, I'll be God-darned" over the telephone this morning. Our friend Black immediately spoke up and said "Be careful, you'll be Kendall picks things up very easily."

Private Ellison has been discharged. Good luck, friend Ellison.

The department presented Mr. Burton with a pair of fur gloves for Christmas.

SUPPLY DEPARTMENT.

Captain Harrell has returned from a trip east, and has again taken up the burden of the supply office.

Sergeant Steberg is singing "I'm awfully lonesome" these days, reason—his side kick Sergeant Ellison has received his discharge. Well if the rest of us could sing, we would join in the chorus.

Private Bolker has also departed from the supply office. Oh well the best of friends must part.

Will someone inform Lieutenant Neely that nights are made to sleep in, not afternoons? The bunch at the supply office think he would make a wonderful supply officer regardless of his "sleeping" ways.

Look who's here! Sergeant Cooper. He is going to be with us again, even if he is discharged. Could not stay away from the happy family at the supply office.

Mr. Nordquist still has his worries with the dog-gone memorandum receipts, but has a handsome young lady stenographer to assist him now. Here is hoping his worries end with the old year. Lieutenant Connolly is still at Arcadia, Cal., completing his flying course and is expected back in a few weeks.

Quartermaster Corps.

JULES DU BOSE.

Sergeant Grisswal, clerk in the property room, has been offered a commission as a second lieutenant in the quartermaster reserves.

Private Kavanough, who some months ago was transferred to the officers' training school, is now in the motor transport corps and is stationed at Camp Gordon, Atlanta, Ga. He has recently come to Omaha for a visit.

Lieutenant Linn has left on a leave of absence to his home in St. Louis and will spend a few days with his parents.

Assistant Cook Harry Dennison is the real pool shark. Also shoots ducks and rabbits as well and supplies his household plentifully.

Corporal Sorosen spent all day away from the fort at a friend's residence on the avenue. He says, "Fellows it was a fine Xmas party

with the house decorated with mistletoe."

Private Rubin Rundquist of the post bakery spent Xmas with his brothers who live in Omaha.

Private Clark of the office is anticipating a real welcome home soon for he says "All my friends remembered me this Xmas even my tailor." Private Clark lives in southern California.

BALLOON HOUSE.

R. A. Baker.

Word has been received here that 105 Cacquot balloons which were under construction at the various balloon factories when the armistice was signed are to be completed and shipped to the balloon schools for storage. This will mean that Fort Omaha will get a large percentage of the balloons.

The men from here had a big day Christmas. Most of them accepted invitations to dinner with families living in Omaha and in Council Bluffs.

The balloon house crew and students posed for a picture in the rear of the hangar with the Italian A. P. balloon in the background.

Private Stienhelper, who was the oldest man in the service at the balloon house and acting carpenter, applied for a discharge several weeks ago, and was fortunate enough to be granted this just before Christmas.

Private E. D. White is able to be around again, after battling with a bad case of pneumonia.

The activity of the balloon house was retarded on account of the big holiday celebration; but regular work is in full way again, with a plenty of hard work on hand to keep the new year busy indefinitely.

Motor Transport Corps News.

Maurice J. Frank.

Chauffeur H. G. Bell has received his discharge papers, as also has Mammion.

We have a new "white hope" in the M. T. C. Our old friend "Mercury" is the man. You should see Pat boxing with Dolan. Watch that left swing of his, fellows.

Majors is on an Xmas pass. We missed his early morning lectures in the Sixty-second company.

Hinie is working in the office now. This gets him closer to his Chest-er.

The two most important men around the garage are Bauer and Thomas. Specially Thomas, as he is taking Harry Dowell's place. Harry is on a furlough.

The big dance was postponed on account of the flu quarantine in the city, but it will be better than ever when it is held as the committee will have more time in which to make preparations.

Tangeman is now honoring the stock room with his presence during duty time. You all know the good looking fellow with the little mustache who is taking his place in the office of No. 2.

We wish we could put on paper the way Maschin talks when he has a mouthful of chewing. And, by the way, Porter says he has quit chewing. How long, Porter?

Mielke is a good man to work on motorcycles. Whose Mielke?

Our newest motorcycle rider is Joe Funk. We wonder how many spills Joe had on the way to town.

Sergeant Roos, instructor in the motorcycle school, has received his discharge papers. Steve Connors has his luck running the opposite way.

59TH BALLOON COMPANY.

Paul J. Rozmajzl.

The following promotions have been made and were given to the men as a Christmas gift. To sergeants: Corporal T. G. Powell, Privates L. R. Leake and P. J. Rozmajzl. To corporals: Privates W. C. Berry, R. L. Brownlee, J. E. Carlson, W. C. Dunks, W. J. Einsphar, J. Houlihan, E. Kriz, F. F. McGraw, W. J. Moid, A. R. Oberg, W. N. Rainey, G. B. Gillispie, G. N. Leucian, and P. A. Walsh. To chauffeurs, first-class: Privates F. S. Barbers, V. K. Beville, C. P. Hhohon, R. F. McConnell, D. H. McConnahe, and L. Rosgrant. To chauffeur: R. J. Barger, T. Dambrosio, E. M. Horton, O. C. Hughes, D. E. McCoy, H. E. Martwell, T. P. Randolph, P. F. Schippereit, D. H. Torrey and J. Wegmet. To cooks: W. W. Crenshaw, C. W. Schroeder and F. E. Sarratt. To privates, first-class: Privates P. C. Butler, M. W. Llum, A. R. Machado, W. E. Werner and W. B. Wright. These men wish to express their appreciation and thanks to the company commander,

Lieutenant J. S. Reber, for the interest he has taken in them.

The gambling den put up by the 59th company was the most attractive feature the night of the country carnival. Hard boiled! that's us all over!

Going south on the street car on Sixteenth, I happened to notice Corporal Rainey and Private Guench indulged in a serious conversation with Corporal Motl. I suppose that they must of gotten hold of something that did not appeal to their taste and tried to slip it over to our friend Bill. Did they succeed? Ask Bill!

63D BALLOON COMPANY

By E. W. Gehrke.

The mystery is cleared. Chauffeur Neal advises the earrings were given to him as security on a loan. We did not know he was running a pawn shop.

Corporal Hamer got a good picture of Corporal Cockran doing bunk fatigue. Of course you understand it was snapped on a Sunday.

Sergeants Missig and Twamley have just returned from a ten-day furlough.

Ireland got his discharge but he was disappointed before he left, as he could not get a pair of leggings to fit on account of his calves being too small. He should have been with us Monday at the stock yards and packing houses as we sure saw some dandies.

We all wish to congratulate Corporal Eadaly as we hear he has joined the matrimonial world and taken unto himself a wife. Well, corporal we wish you all the happiness in the world and hope your troubles may be only little ones.

Private Howard and Sergeant Bennett left Sunday for Akron, O., to take a course in airplane construction.

The boys all wish to thank Sergeant Zuber for the splendid dinner served to us on Sunday. It sure was the most wonderful dinner we have had for some time.

The Sixty-third company was well represented Monday at the stock yards and packing houses and we noticed they all enjoyed themselves, especially in the department were the young girls are employed.

75TH BALLOON COMPANY

By Montgomery Owens.

Lieutenant Peterson has recovered from the influenza and returned from his leave of absence and is again on duty with his company.

Sergeant Dornbush is sick in the hospital.

Sergeant Putnam has returned from a ten-day furlough and has been discharged.

Private Howard Brown has been promoted to Corporal.

Chauffeur Tripp has returned from a ten-day furlough.

The officers and non-commissioned officers and the company as a whole had a photograph taken last Sunday to appear in the Souvenir History of Fort Omaha. Privates W. M. Miller, Jr., of Dallas, Tex.; Ellis of Texas; Kahler of Montana and Kruse, Rosenberg and Marsh have secured discharges.

Sergeant Domaschik, Corporal Snyder and Private Curtis have been sent to Akron, O., to take a special course of work in connection with the balloon game.

Chauffeurs Tangeman and Thompson have been discharged.

We had a great Christmas dinner last Sunday. The mess hall was decorated and photos were taken before the men came in and afterward while seated at the tables.

Our basketball team is coming along in great shape and will play some games with other company teams next week at the Knights of Columbus hall.

73D BALLOON COMPANY.

Acting Supply Sergeant William E. Albert is taking stock of his achievements, while Sergeant John Voltz is playing hokus-pokus with the "relieve me from service" board.

Corporal Otto Dreidohlz has written so many kind letters for the boys, that he is going nervous and insists on picking his teeth with a fork.

Mess Sergeant Arthur Farrington is getting ready to cash in on his 2x4 ranch in Detroit. But, oh, girls he is sure there on Christmas dinners.

Sergeant McGowan plays the bogie-fives in the morning and hits the dormie-tvos in the evening, and one can see him with a mashie-pitch most any evening.

Sergeant Frederick E. Gibbs is too refined to read coarse print, so we have printed this in small type for you.

50TH BALLOON COMPANY.

W. O'NEIL GOODWIN.

The first to be favored! Private Marking has received his honorable discharge.

Sergeant Nelson has returned from a visit to Stromsburg, Neb., his home. He reports a pleasant time.

Private Edwards expects to start training for his bout with "Wild Bill" Crawley very soon. "Wild Bill" reported Edward's desire for a furlough to the Gas Bag.

Sergeant Jorgenson, Corporal Layton and Corporal Hay managed the bull on carnival night. Jorgenson led it, Layton threw it and Hay gathered the shekels at the gate.

It is rumored that Corporal Lehnners loafed around the bull all day to see if he could pick up any new ideas on the gentle art of—NEVER MIND!

Sergeant Larson is the "top kick" in the absence of Sergeant Moan. We still have a company.

Mess Manager Adams is chief rumor fiend in this company. We will be discharged in January according to his latest dope.

Private Svahn very diplomatically fell out with his "doll" just before Christmas.

Johnson is back from furlough. Paint him with iodine and mark him duty.

Corporal Reypens, the human "Big Bear" is getting himself into a bad habit. He is always a couple of jumps ahead of the bugle.

Sergeant "Charley" Windhorst has recovered his pet. Little Johnson is again on the "sick book."

HEADQUARTERS, FORT CROOK, NEBRASKA

Oh, Boy—How we wish every day was Christmas. We were so royally entertained by the good people of the city that we are singing "We Don't Want a Discharge" (tune "I Don't Want to Get Well"). We are experiencing a great deal of trouble getting ourselves back in line in the mess hall again.

Sergeant Major Deland reports a most enjoyable afternoon and evening spent in a private home. We are unable to say just how private the home was, but we feel safe in touching for him when he makes the statement that he was royally entertained, for his smiling countenance emphasizes that fact.

It was reported that Corporal Cooper was sick (effects of Christmas day) but we are glad to announce he was only sleeping. He says when it comes to having a good time he has them all beat. He also spent the day in a private home. He states the English language is inadequate for him to express his appreciation for the hospitality shown him.

Private First Class Senn still reports regularly on Ohio street. We are still saving our pennies for the occasion, but something seems to tell us that it would be wise to save larger change, as it is our general opinion that he is contemplating following suit of some of the Q. M. bunch and take unto himself an individual commanding officer. Go to it, old top: we are for you, but our hearts go out in sympathy for the more unfortunate, for instance, "the fair dame." May your troubles be "little ones."

Yelvington says he is now in cold storage. He is sleeping in the attic. "Too fresh."

Private Carter, familiarly known as "Rastus," is there with the goods when it comes to handing out Christmas packages, but listen, "Rastus," what we are looking for now is a letter, packages alone don't satisfy us.

60TH BALLOON COMPANY.

This Christmas was enjoyed by every one of us. Many of the boys invited their wives and wives-to-be to the Xmas entertainment which we had gotten up. We had a very elaborate dinner, with a very nicely gotten up menu. In addition to all this, we had the orchestra play for us. After the dinner we were favored with several splendid piano solos and the visitors were then shown the barracks. The ladies were very much enthused to see the neatness of the squad rooms. The white sheets and pillow cases were quite a surprise to them. They also had the pleasure of seeing the long talked-of K. P.'s at work. After awhile the chaperons led the way over to the K. C. but, where the afternoon was spent in listening to a musical program and general merry-making. We owe most of this to the untiring efforts of our commanding officer, Lieutenant Burgess, and Mrs. Burgess, and we wish to express our most heartfelt thanks to them.

This organization has been very busy furnishing a new kind of a detail, "entertainment detail," if you please, and from what can be gathered, they are a very efficient and well-liked detail. Someone said

that Stepp ought to go in the show business when he gets out of the army, but they also advise him never to pick on anybody's pajamas.

We owe it to many that we have enjoyed the holidays the way we did. We thank them all, but we wish to make particular reference to Mrs. A. E. Spellman for her valued assistance. The boys claim that Sergeant Spellman is lucky. We, poor writers for the Gas Bag, fail to find any assistance from Webster to express ourselves.

WE WISH YOU ALL, BALLOON MEN, A HAPPY NEW YEAR, WITH YOUR CUP OF JOY FOREVER OVERFLOWING.

Quartermaster.

Sergeant Spellman certainly did start the ball rolling when he got married. Whether it is contagious like the flu, or whether the boys are just showing Spellman that he isn't the only pebble on the beach, we don't know, but they are turning in lots of license revenue lately. There is a movement on foot to call this the "Married Men's corps." "Stats" Johnson came back from a five-day pass, spent in Chicago, and wearing a big smile while passing around a box of Orlandos. Congratulations from the bunch and in the words of Sergeant Schantz, "May your troubles be young ones." We can't help wondering if the non-coms won't all be married soon. "Rumor" bath it so.

Mistaking an officer for one of our men, Sergeant Patton took occasion to ask "How d'ye get that way," with results which cannot be published.

All the boys took Christmas dinner "out" and their big feed came off the following Sunday, where once more Sergeant Patton and Shorty Allison displayed their skill. It is recommended that they get in the restaurant business after being discharged, for they would just coin money. Many thanks, fellows.

It has been noticed by some observers that our bunch is the neatest appearing when they go downtown. This is most gratifying and we encourage everyone to keep it up and improve. There is always room at the top.

74TH BALLOON COMPANY.

The boys have asked that we express their appreciation to the Woman's League, K. of C. and others who helped make their Christmas one that will be a happy remembrance for all time to come.

Privates Torman, Neal, Ericson, Lini, Reinhart, and McClure and Corporal Sellery were among those who spent a few days at home on Christmas. They all seemed to have urgent business, but we know what it was fellows.

Almost forgot to mention that our First Sergeant Meis, and Sitter went rabbit hunting and Meis told the "usual story," adding that someone took the powder out of his shells and put salt in them. Sitter told they didn't even have occasion to use the salt.

Who remembers the time when a soldier had two pair of trousers, a pair of wrap leggings, to keep the marrow from freezin' out of his bones, and was even allowed to BUY a leather strap to keep his hat on (we don't), but it must have been a wonderful thing to be a soldier then.

Wasn't it a surprise to us all when "BABY SIMMONS" walked proudly up the aisle to the Xmas tree on Christmas eve and stood at attention while Santa plucked his presents from the well filled branches and made the usual speech?

BALLOON MEN ATTENTION! We wish you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

TENTH DETACHMENT.

Although nearly half of our men were transferred to various companies in Fort Omaha, the detachment is still a lively organization. A basket ball team has been organized which promises to be as good as they make 'em. Owing to the tender age of the organization we have no company fund and therefore could not get equipment. Someone suggested that it could be furnished by subscription and this was accomplished in great style and we sure must hand it to the boys for their liberality.

Some of the boys living within reasonable distance of the post spent their holidays with their folks at home and are all back and full of pep. Several of the men were entertained in Omaha homes through the War Camp Community Service and others enjoyed our turkey dinner with the organization, which was a splendid one indeed and we all had a splendid Xmas. We thank all the good people of Omaha for the many efforts in our behalf, which we wish to assure them did not go to naught.

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Sergeant McGee saw much hard fighting during the last four months of the war. He was under fire much of the time near Verdun, St. Mihiel and Coucy.

On October 10, while the Eleventh balloon company was inflating a balloon, an enemy plane swooped down on them and tried to destroy the balloon by machine gun fire. One of the bullets struck Sergeant



Sgt. Pusey McGee.

McGee in the right shoulder. It fractured the collar bone, turned downward and penetrated his right lung and then lodged in his back. It has not been removed.

Sergeant McGee is only 29 years old. He entered the balloon school at Fort Omaha in October, 1917. In February, 1918, he was transferred to Norfolk, Va., and sailed for France in June.

Says His Company Was Lucky.

Sergeant McGee said the Eleventh balloon company was "lucky." "We lost only a few men, although we were under fire almost continuously," he said, "but some of the other balloon companies that trained at Fort Omaha were not so fortunate."

He said one company, the number of which he is not allowed to give, was badly cut to pieces.

It was more than two weeks after the transport on which Sergeant McGee came home sailed from France before it anchored at New York. A roundabout course was taken to avoid severe storms raging along the usual course. The trip to France required only seven days.

England faces a shortage of 500,000 houses in addition to her normal requirements of 100,000 new ones annually. It is proposed that the government build them and sell on long time payment plans or furnish them outright to returning soldiers.

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Gold production in the United States in 1918 fell to 3,313,000 fine ounces, worth \$68,493,000, the lowest in twenty years. Silver production dropped to 67,879,000 fine ounces, worth \$67,879,000, the smallest record since 1913.

The American Society of Agricultural Engineers at their twelfth annual meeting at Chicago adopted resolutions favoring governmental financial aid to provide returning soldiers and sailors with farms by means of long loans at low interest rates.

The largest winter wheat crop, totaling 165,000,000 bushels, is predicted by the department of agriculture for next winter. The acreage totals 49,027,000 acres.

Heads of the Salvation Army in middle-west and western states were called into session by Commissioner Thomas Estill, head of the Salvation Army in the west, to work out a solution for aiding returning soldiers.

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(Continued From Page 1.)

side and along the line of march
to pay final tribute to their friend.

Pall bearers were Sergeants Beckley, Crawford, Deardorff, Lewis, Milder and Whistler, all of the Post Hospital Fort Crook. These men had all been trained and given their ratings by the major. The honorary pall bearers were Capt. Travis, Lt. Siefert, Lt. Ensor and Lt. Kimberlin of Fort Crook and Capt. Walters and Lt. Dedolph of Fort Omaha.

At the entrance to the Forest Lawn cemetery where the Major



Major E. L. DeLaney.

was buried the guard had formed and came to "present arms" as the casket passed through, draped with the American flag. The procession then marched to the grave, headed by the military band which played airs appropriate to the occasion. A short service was held which was followed by the Masonic rituals; when this was completed the firing squad of twenty fired three volleys after which taps was blown.

The Major is survived by his wife and two children, Louise, 4 years old and Louis, age 6, also by his mother and sister, Mrs. Jeanne Ains of Seattle, Washington, and two brothers, Lee, a first lieutenant, Medical Corps, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and Albert of Tampico, Mexico.

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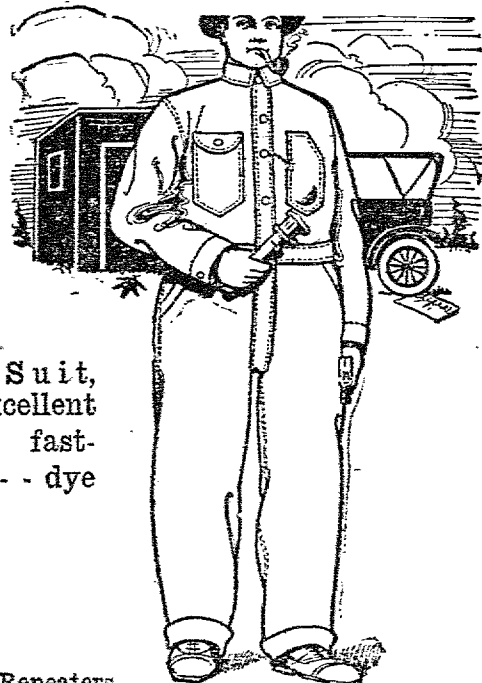
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MRS. ADOLPH B. LINDQUEST.

Mrs. Adolph B. Lindquest, wife of Major Lindquest, post surgeon of the Fort Omaha hospital.

Mrs. Lindquest came to Fort Omaha last August. She has lived in Omaha for the past twelve years. She is a graduate of the University of Nebraska, and a member of the Pi Beta Phi sorority.

Her brother, Walter P. Thomas, who is connected with the Omaha street railway, is a member of the Omaha Athletic club, and she is looking forward to attending many of the functions there this winter.

On Flight

Lieutenant Lawrence Heath spent Christmas in Omaha and returned Wednesday to the Army Balloon School, Arcadia, Cal., where he is instructor in balloon work.

Lieutenant Sumner Emerson, formerly of Fort Omaha, has been transferred from Lee Hall, Va., to Washington, D. C., where he is connected with the Haut commissariat Republique Francaise an Etat Unis.

Major W. H. Faringhy arrived this week from Washington, and assigned to duty as assistant to the quartermaster.

First Lieutenant John J. Lancer, M. C., has been transferred to New York city, where he will be assigned to temporary duty at the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research and upon completion of same will return to Fort Omaha.

Mr. Clare Nelson, secretary of the Fort Omaha K. of C., has returned to civil life, having accepted a position with a large Omaha real estate company.

Second Lieutenant Harold R. Austin has been transferred to the Army Balloon school, Arcadia, Cal.

Lieutenant Kroges spent a day at Fort Crook last week on official business with the quartermaster.

Second Lieutenant Theodore E. Nelson has been detailed as adjutant of the post during the absence of Captain John G. Ayling.

Second Lieutenant Sanford M. Warren has been temporarily detailed assistant to the adjutant during the absence of the adjutant.

Second Lieutenant Paul J. Vollmar has been relieved from duty with the First flying cadet company and attached to duty with the Fifty-ninth balloon company.

Second Lieutenant Frank J. Boyle has been relieved from his present duties and assigned to the Forty-seventh balloon company.

Lieutenant Robert D. Scott and Lieutenant James D. Simons have returned to Fort Omaha from Lincoln, Neb., where they have been on temporary duty.

Second Lieutenant Robert H. Finley has been detailed as post athletic officer in connection with his other duties.

Lieutenant Smith, Q. M., has been transferred to Washington, D. C.

Lieutenants Karges and Westergard, quartermaster officers, arrived in Omaha last week from Washington, D. C.

Personals

Lieutenant and Mrs. Theodore E. Nelson announce the birth of a son Saturday evening, December 28. The little one has been named Robert Arthur.

A most interesting event will be the marriage of Captain Theodore H. Maenner to Miss Gladys Robertson of this city.

The ceremony will take place at the Robertson home on the evening of January 8. Rev. Titus Lowe of the First Methodist church will read the lines.

Captain Maenner received his lieutenant's commission at Fort Omaha, and for a while was assistant officer in charge of instruction, later being transferred to Arcadia, Cal., where he is now located, and where they will make their home, as long as he remains in the service.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Marks of Omaha announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Lillian Marks, to Private First Class Samuel Vorzimer of Fort Omaha. The ceremony took place at the home of Rabbi Cohn, on Tuesday, December 31, 1918.

Visiting

Their many friends will be sorry to learn that Lieutenant and Mrs. William Sanders are no longer stationed at Fort Omaha.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Sanders left Wednesday for Chicago where they will spend New Year's day with friends, before going to their home in New York.

Lieutenant Sanders came to Fort Omaha, July 25, 1918, from Evans-ton, Ill., and has been post chaplain since then, recently receiving his honorable discharge from the service. He will return to New York city, where he will be assigned to organize the Methodist Minute Men for the Centenary. The Centenary celebration is to commemorate 100 years of missionary activity at home and abroad, and upon completing this work he expects to return to the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Released From Service

Among those who received honorable discharges from the service and will leave within the near future are the following: Lieutenants Tracy H. Lewis, William L. Sanders, John R. Crowe, Franklin P. Quick, Nathan R. Reasoner, Edward G. Hotchkiss, William J. Carter, Clarence F. Smith, Harold M. Hine, Everett K. Hawley, O. S. Brown, Benjamin P. Richardson, Ulysses H. Bonney, Loring Fulmer and Sieck. Lieutenant Joseph P. Spang, jr., who is working on a history of Fort Omaha, after completion of same will receive his release from the service.

• ❖ • SOCIETY • ❖ •

Corporal Ralph A. Magrum, Society Editor.

Owing to the influenza quarantine on dances the past three weeks, and the lifting of the ban at 6 a. m. New Year's day, many postponed dances will soon be given. No doubt those who are fond of the light fantastic steps will find numerous dances to attend, for the coming weeks.

Major and Mrs. Russell T. Crawford entertained at a theater party New Year's eve, having as their guests Colonel R. C. Caldwell and Mrs. C. A. Young.

Colonel and Mrs. F. A. Grant will entertain ten guests at a dinner this evening.

Captain J. R. Galt's two sons and daughter-in-law spent Christmas at the Fontenelle together.

Captain and Mrs. Gordon B. Logan entertained at dinner Friday evening, having as their guests, Lieutenant and Mrs. William H. Siefert and Dr. and Mrs. Morris Dunham.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Mallory entertained a party at their home New Year's eve to see the new year in and the old year out, having a number of guests from Fort Omaha.

Colonel and Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest and Major and Mrs. Eugene W. Crockett were honor guests at a dinner Thursday evening at the Omaha Athletic club given in honor of former President William H. Taft.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Ralph A. Reynolds entertained Major and Mrs. R. T. Crawford and Mrs. C. A. Young at dinner Monday evening.

Major and Mrs. R. T. Crawford entertained at dinner Christmas eve. Their guests were: Colonel and Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest, Lieutenant and Mrs. William Sanders, Lieutenant and Mrs. A. H. Foster, Lieutenant and Mrs. Ralph A. Reynolds, Lieutenant Richard E. Thompson, Lieutenant George B. Harrison and an officer of the Italian army.

Colonel and Mrs. F. A. Grant will give a dinner Saturday evening in honor of Colonel and Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest.

Major and Mrs. Russell T. Crawford entertained most informally for Lieutenant and Mrs. George Lundberg at a dinner Christmas day.

Colonel and Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest entertained at dinner Saturday evening at the Prettiest Mile club, their guests being Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gallagher, Mrs. Ben Gallagher, Major and Mrs. Russell Crawford, Lieutenant and Mrs. George Lundberg, Lieutenant and Mrs. William Sanders, Mrs. C. A. Young, Lieutenant Richard E. Thompson and Lieutenant Leroy C. Perkins.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Karl Dedolph spent Christmas at Lieutenant Dedolph's home at St. Paul, Minn.

Colonel and Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest held open house New Year's Day for the Fort Omaha command.

Colonel and Mrs. F. A. Grant held a reception New Year's day for the quartermaster's command.

Captain and Mrs. Gordon B. Logan entertained at dinner Sunday evening in honor of Lieutenant and Mrs. Robert Finley.

Miss Helen Stewart Woods and Miss Minnie Heilner, reserve nurses, have been relieved from duty at Fort Omaha and returned to their homes in Lincoln, Neb.

Miss Elizabeth Bradford, reserve nurse, has been relieved from duty at Fort Omaha and will remain in Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Cuthbert Vincent entertained a dinner New Year's eve at the Omaha Athletic club, their guests being Captain and Mrs. Albert Wedemeyer, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. LaGrange, Mr. and Mrs. William Davidson of Springfield, Neb., Dr. and Mrs. John E. Simpson, Dr. and Mrs. D. E. Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Northrup, Prof. George R. Chappurn of Lincoln, Neb., Rev. Carl M. Worden, Mr. Charles A. Martin and Mr. Maurice Vincent of Beaumont, Tex.

Mrs. Adolph B. Lindquist entertained at tea Monday afternoon in honor of Mrs. William Sanders, who left this week for New York. Her guests were Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest, Mrs. Russell T. Crawford, Mrs. Martin J. O'Brien, Mrs. Howard White, Mrs. George C. Lundberg and Mrs. C. A. Young.

Captain and Mrs. Howard White and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pegeau, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Goulding at the Omaha Athletic club, Saturday evening.

Dr. and Mrs. Henry Newton entertained a dinner in honor of Lieutenant and Mrs. Robert Clapp Saturday evening.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Robert Clapp entertained Dr. and Mrs. Henry Newton and Miss Alma Hanson for the Christmas week festivities.

Lieutenant and Mrs. William H. Siefert spent Christmas day at the home of Mrs. Smith and Miss Backley in Council Bluffs.

Master Clement Crockett of Fort Crook entertained the younger folk at a Christmas party. Those present were Messrs. Lee Hamilton, Pete Hamilton, Billy Her, John Nesbitt, Billy Nesbitt, and Misses Elizabeth Hamilton, Catherine Nesbitt and Arleen Sheets and Baby Robert Glenmore Simmons, jr.

Lieutenant and Mrs. W. L. Fortrell left this week for their home in Torressdale, Pa., Lieutenant Fortrell having a ten-day leave of absence.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Robert G. Simmons entertained a dinner Sunday, having as their guests, Misses Frances and Evelyn Caldwell, daughters of Professor Caldwell of the University of Nebraska, also Miss Freeda Stiff, daughter of Professor Stiff of the University of Nebraska and Miss Theda Waterman of the University of Nebraska hospital.

Captain and Mrs. A. C. R. Swanson of Michigan were honored guests at a dinner at the home of Lieutenant and Mrs. Robert Simmons.

Mrs. R. G. Simmons visited Mrs. H. Seegar at Glenwood, Ia., last week, and while there attended the wedding of Miss Geneva Seegar to Captain A. G. R. Swanson.

Colonel and Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest and Major and Mrs. Eugene W. Crockett, were entertained at a New Year dinner at the officers club.

Lieutenant Robert Clapp arrived in Omaha Monday evening bringing his two little daughters, Corinne Elizabeth, aged 5, and Roberta Parker, aged 3 years.

Captain and Mrs. Howard White, Mr. and Mrs. Clement Terrell, Mr. A. Leo Stevens, and Mr. McGeorge, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Al Scott, New Years eve at the Athletic club. The New Year was properly ushered in later at the Scotts' residence.

Dances

The "Smiles" club have issued invitations to another one of their lovely dances to take place at Hart hall, January 11, 1919.

Under the auspices of girls of the Bee business office, a benefit dance will be held at Turpin's academy, Friday evening, January 10.

Current Events

Lieutenant Richard S. Walton, who received ten days' leave of absence to visit in Kansas City, we are told, did considerable visiting in St. Louis too, with a very pretty young lady. Dick is a devil with ladies, so we will not judge him seriously.

Franklin P. Quick, former commanding officer of the 61st Balloon company, writes from Lincoln, Neb. a very snappy letter stating he wishes to be remembered to the 61st Co., and blessing the world that there is no reveille in Lincoln.

Word has been received from Lieutenant Lawrence G. Simpson that he is now a member of the army of occupation and stationed on the Rhine.

Lieutenant Simpson left Fort Omaha as balloon officer with the Fourteenth Balloon company. On arrival in France he took the observer's course at a balloon school near Bordeaux. After successfully completing his course he was attached to the Fourth Balloon company with which organization he observed until the signing of the armistice. During the replacement, he was transferred to the First Balloon company with which organization he is now on duty.

Advices state that First Lieutenant John J. Dillon, who left Fort Omaha in command of the Fourteenth Balloon company, failed to pass the course of instruction at an army balloon school near Bordeaux, France.

Lieutenant L. G. Simpson writes that he met Colonel H. B. Hershey, former commandant of Fort Omaha at the army balloon school, Bordeaux, France.

Red Cross

The Omaha women began work on Thursday morning at the Masonic Temple, remodeling and taking care of refugee garments for the hospital garment department of the Red Cross. Mrs. Arthur Mullen, chairman, announces that large quotas refugee garments are on hand and that work will probably be continued for at least six months.

Mrs. F. L. Adams, retiring chairman of the salvage shop, 1409 Harney street, urges continued support of the work by the public. Receipts of the shop go to the upkeep of the Omaha chapter of the Red Cross.

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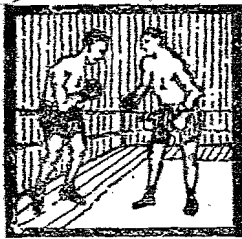
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SPORTING - NEWS



FAMED ATHLETE KILLED BY FALL OF AIRPLANE

"Hobey" Baker, Hero of Western Front, Meets With Fatal Accident.

New York—Captain Hobart A. H. Baker, the famous Princeton athlete, known in his college days as "Hobey" Baker, an aviator in the American army in France, has been killed in the fall of his plane. News of his death was received here by his friend, Percy Pine. Mr. Pine received a cable message from Paris signed "Inglehart," a member of Baker's air squadron, which said that Captain Baker had been killed in an airplane accident, and requested that his family be notified. No details were given.

New Skating Pond 'Jest Oozes Away'

The new pond which has been built in the field, beside the K. C. hut, has given up the ghost. The morning the "K. C." attendants woke up and noticed an unusual chilliness in the atmosphere, one of them hustled downstairs to succor the furnace. A cry for help was heard, followed by a deep gurgling. On hurrying down they discovered their fellow attendant going down for the third time. Eager hands quickly grasped his hair and he was hauled to safety. Alas, alack, the true state of affairs was revealed, the basement was flooded. Further search revealed the startling truth, the water from the new pond has seeped through the rat holes, gopher holes and shell holes and put the furnace out. Fire was immediately resumed, and the coal had to be passed via the ferry route, on a floating table. A review of the situation revealed that the water had seeped away from the ice, and if you felt so disposed you could stand on the outside edge and in the language of O'Flynn of the 47th, "jest ooze down into the center." Gone are the prospects of the old hockey practice and the moonlight skating parties, and the figure eights and the serpentine twists are only a possibility. A new pump will have to be installed to clear out the over-supply of distilled water now reposing peacefully in the K. C. basement. Blame the gophers if you will, but most of all blame the rabbits that did not see to it that everything was plugged up.

WILL TRY TO LEGALIZE BOXING IN THIS STATE

Lincoln, Neb.—Another attempt to legalize boxing in Nebraska will be made by sport promoters here when the state legislature convenes in January. Gene Melady, Omaha sportsman, announces he is preparing a bill designed to obtain this end. Two previous efforts to secure indorsement of the sport have failed.

"A Man's a Man for a' That"

"Noeman jock, gether a dod in tha broo bump her out o the road an ye hae her. "Fine, man, fine! "No, Andy, jist pit her richt on tha center no sae muckle noo; awee bit tae yer left, an' lots o' soopin an that 'll pit har about richt. "Aw richt, man, it's a bonnie yin mine am tellin' ye it wull tak' a guid yin tae beat it." And Lieutenant Hislop put the curling stone in the right place and with the help of his partners and plenty of sweeping the game was won.

The Clan Gordan Athletic association opened the "curling" season last Wednesday in a tournament for the John L. Kennedy cup.

The game originated in Scotland and requires a great deal of skill to attain proficiency and the men of the Gordans are experts in this line.

The Bobbie Burns defeated the Omaha Scots in an eighteen-end game by a score of 22 to 12.

The Balmorals defeated the Thistles, last year's champions, 21 to 16.

This concluded the morning program.

McTaggart skipped his team into an easy victory over the Gordans, 22 to 3.

The Heathers defeated the Tam O'Shanter 21 to 20, in a close game.

This went twenty-four ends.

R. G. Watson, skipper for the Bobbie Burns, was responsible for the victory of his team. The Omaha Scots lacked the organization of their opponents and lost the game. After a hard fight they were skipped by W. P. Horne.

Lieutenant W. E. Hislop, who is in Omaha on leave of absence, made a spectacular play when he knocked the "stone" of the Shanters out of position and gave the game to the Heathers. Score, 20 to 18.

A large number of skaters were attracted to the game by the lusty shouts of the Scots, who applauded their players in the true Scottish style, and the increasing numbers formed a gallery which displayed a lively interest in the game.

The next meeting will probably be held Sunday afternoon at Miller park.

The semi-finals may be held then.

Ad Wolgast Will Come Back Again Is Latest Dope

When Ad Wolgast announced that he was coming back not one in the sporting world took him seriously. Now comes word from out the Pacific coast that he is in training and has appointed Hobo Dougherty to handle his affairs.

This is the second time that the Hobo has hitched up with Ad. He trained him for the fight with Bat Nelson when he won the title. He was known as the "Michigan Bearcat" and packed a sleep producer in either hand that was the terror of his opponents.

Ad started his career in 1906 and had a meteoric existence till 1914. His last battle was with Freddie Welsh. In the eight years that he fought he had many hard battles and was the idol of the fans all over the country. He lost his title to Willie Ritchie on a foul.

He found the going hard after that in the ring, and fought many a battle where he took a severe beating.

Many of his friends believe that this was the cause of his physical breakdown, and he was so bad that he was placed in a sanitarium. A recent report had it that he was working as a lumberjack in the forests of Minnesota.

It is to be hoped that he shows some of the old speed of the "Bearcat" days.

Ben Leonard Wins From Paul Doyle

Philadelphia, Pa.—Benny Leonard, lightweight champion, defeated Paul Doyle, New York, in a slow six-round bout.

Jeff Smith, boxing instructor at Camp Dix, knocked out Billy Kramer, Milwaukee, in the third round.

Other bouts at the New Year's boxing matinees resulted:

Jimmy McHale, Philadelphia, defeated Paul Sampson, Brooklyn; Bartley Madden, New York, beat Larry Williams, Philadelphia; Ralph Brady, Syracuse, N. Y., bested Denny Whalen, Philadelphia.

The bout between Jack Thompson, Missouri, and Jeff Clark, Atlantic City, ended in the sixth round because Clark would not make a fight.

Mitchell Knocks Out Otto Wallace

Milwaukee, Wis.—"Pinkie" Mitchell, brother of the well known lightweight boxer, this afternoon scored a knockout over Otto Wallace of Milwaukee in the ninth session of a ten-round boxing bout which featured the double windup.

A left jab followed by a right

swing to the jaw ended the contest which was Mitchell's third defeat over Wallace in two months. Ever Hammer of Chicago won on a foul from Charlie Meirie in the seventh round of a ten-round bout.

Wrestling.

Earl Caddock will in all probability be home in Des Moines in the course of a few months and will defend his title against all contenders.

Joe Stecher, the Dodge, Neb., boy, is one of the foremost challengers and we hope to see a match arranged between these two as soon as Sergeant Caddock can get away.

FORT OMAHA SOLDIERS SWIM AT Y. M. C. A. POOL

Free lessons in swimming are given soldiers from Fort Omaha each Tuesday and Thursday night at the downtown Y. M. C. A. pool. R. E. Seaton, instructor, guarantees to teach the soldiers in two lessons how to swim.

The inside of the K. of C. looks like a dental clinic these days, as the big posts are heavily padded to allow the fast and furious rushes of our huskies when they start their basketball practice. Dinny has again done himself proud and this Irishman has had the baskets put in, and everything is complete even to the storeroom for uniforms, towels, shower baths and a trainer which includes a rubber.

A large space has been fixed up in the basement where it is warm and the Gladiators can sport themselves after a hard game before starting out in the open air to combat old man winter.

Boxing classes have been resumed and the regular schedule is being followed out. Please note and hand in your name to Dinny.

Statement by Lt. Col. Jacob W. S. Wuest. I am very much pleased at the orderly manner in which this exhibition was conducted. I think it was the most orderly and best looking crowd that I have ever seen at an exhibition of this character. It shows what can be done in similar cases if the matter is properly conducted.

By Lieutenant Faulk. The whole affair was a success, both financially and from the sporting viewpoint. We gave the boys a run for their money and every one seemed to be happy. We shall repeat in the near future.

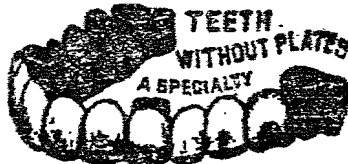
By Dinny Ryan. One of the best entertainments I have ever seen in this section. They were all fast, clean bouts and all of good material. It is a pleasure to officiate at a gathering of this kind and I shall be glad to assist in any way that I possibly can, in the future.

By Lester Heyn. Why don't you fellows pull this off when the business men have a little more time? Let us know next time and we shall have a large delegation out. We don't want to miss such a good thing as this.

By Manager Gregory, of the Fontenelle. It was one of the most enjoyable evenings that I have spent in years. I enjoyed every one of the bouts and if we could get such a high class program in every case the state boxing bill would go through without a quiver. I'm for it strong, so hurry up and have another program.

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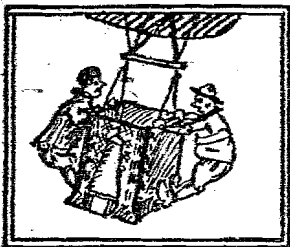
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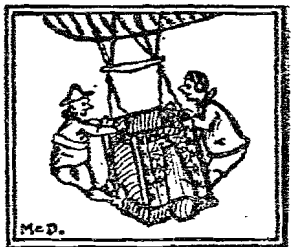
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A Question and an Answer.

Dear Editor—My daughter was out with an army officer and drank two cocktails. Did she do anything wrong? A Worried Mother.
Dear Madam—We don't know. Ask the army officer. Editor.

IN THE DARK.

The other night, one of the sentries on guard at the magazines, imagined a shadow moving between the empty freight cars and lustily called "Halt! Who's there," a couple of times. Not getting a reply he discharged the entire clip in his rifle, thus disturbing the peace of a colored sentry guarding the Q. M. corral a few hundred feet away. This was Rastus' first at tempt at guard duty and in the moonlight he looked absolutely pale. One of our non-coms, hearing the shots, walked over to the negro and asked him where the trouble was.

"Ah don't 'zeely know, Cap'n," said the brunette, "but somebody down yonder sho did scaire me stiff!"

"Why don't you call the corporal of the guard?"

"Ah don't know where he am, Cap'n."—Judge.

Way Back, but Not Sit Down

Private Wise says: "The reason they call it 'Rest Camp' is because they call on you to do the rest of the work you didn't have time for at the front."

FALSE PRETENSES.

Sergt.—Halt! You can't go in there!

Pvt. Dooley—Why not, sir?

Sergt.—Because it's the general's tent, you lobster.

Pvt. Dooley—Then what are they doing with "Private" over the door?

Emergency Order.

The most difficult of the various tests of a candidate at the officers' training camp is taking charge of a company with the squads reversed and placing the company in certain position with the squads proper order, with a limited number of commands. Recently a candidate, after giving his first command and starting the company off, saw that his orders would not work and that he needed time to think out another way. Glancing at the men, he yelled: "Company, wait a minute!"—Judge.

Soft Questions, Hard Answers

Was Martini Van Buren, once president of the United States, a native of New York? U. S.

Yes, if you mean Martin Van Buren. Your writing is extremely indistinct, and we suggest that you be much more careful in your spelling of proper names.

Does a Chinese Mandolin correspond with an American mayor in official rank, or is his a higher office? FAR EASTERNER.

You mean a Chinese Tangarine. A mandolin is a hump-backed banjo. Begin again.

What was it caused the Tower of Pisa to lean? PHYSICS.

About 800 years ago, a woman of Pisa, while at the top of it tried to overhear the conversation of two of her friends on the street below.

By whom were open-work stockings first worn? HOSIERY.

By the 600 wives of King Solomon. They served upon Solomon an Open-Work or Fight order.

Can you give a plausible theory why the ancients, when they dined, reclined at table instead of sitting up to it, as we do?

TRIMALCHIO.

We can give you a plausible theory, yes. It was in order to have a shorter distance to fall when ultimately they went under it, toward the finish of a meal.

Is a Mackerel sky a sign of wet weather?

CLOUD EFFECTS.

Soused Mackerel sky is a sign of a very wet spell, particularly at night. EX.

Was there a Civil War song that went something like this: "Hobo, Hobo, Hobo, The Boys are Marching?" OLD MUSIC.

You doubtless have reference to "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp."

Kings Still Ahead.

"There is a big difference between the kings of old times and kings now."

"In what way?"

"In former times the kings used to keep fools. Now, they let the fools keep them!"—Baltimore American.

POSTED.

While making his rounds of the camp one night the officer of the day stopped a sentry and asked him if he knew his general orders.

and was a little surprised when he received the reply, "I don't just know them all, sir, but they're hanging up on that post over there, sir."—Globe and Anchor.

AROUND OMAHA.

How's it feel to be out of the army and in civil life again I asked a former Fort Omaha Soldier.

Fine he said and showed me a check for thirty-five dollars His weekly wage I enyy Al.

I THANK YOU.

Rare Rumor.

When you hear a bit of rumor, send it in. No matter how it sounds or where you heard it; send it in. Don't believe all you read in this column.

Ah! This choice selection emanated from the parade ground sewer. We don't need to expect to get home very soon. There will be one hundred balloon companies kept on duty and all the men at present in the service are needed.

And now comes this music of gloom from the headquarters cuspidor. The unassigned men will be discharged at once but the men in the companies will be kept on duty until everything is definitely settled over there.

Haul in the hearse, knock 'em dead and hear the birdie sing. From the basement window of the gas plant this selection was heard. We are going to be sent to the Atlantic and Pacific coasts for patrol work.

Most Anything May Happen Once.

Lieut. (to a newly transferred group)—How many of you have been out on the rifle range? (Some raised their hands).

Lieut.—Did you have any accidents?

Almost-a-Soldier—Yessir, I hit the target.

PEACE SUGGESTIONS.

Since the armistice has become so fashionable let us suggest:

Permanent abdication of the I. W. W.

Court-martial for all profiteers. Compromise with the grocer and coal dealer.

Restoration of cozy-corner territory to returning soldiers.

Annexation of French and Scotch military brides.

Suppression of suffragette propaganda.

Indemnity for the worthless newspaper extras we have bought.

Restoration of pre-war prices.

Continuation of the present fashions of women's dress.—Life.

Stubborn About Everything.

An Alabama doughboy had troubles galore with a mule. "Ah just couldn't take any interest in dat mule. The others were all right. Dis one, first crack outta de box, done bit mah finger. Den, while Ah'm 'zaminin' mah finger, he ups and kicks me in de pants. Den dose bush Germans started a gas attack. I was s'posed to put gas masks on dem mules an' den on me. I put masks on two of dem. Den I led dis ornery one around in dat gas foah two hours, an' dog mah cats, nothin' ever happened to dat mule a tall."—The Argonaut.

NOTHING ON HIM!

A "rookie" had just been issued his martial togs at the quartermaster department and was busily engaged in looking over his present as he left the building. A major was standing at the doorway as the "rookie" passed and the new soldier failed to salute him. He called to the "rookie" and pointed to his shoulder, gently tapping the leaf. The recruit looked the major over and finally blurted out, "hell, whaddye kicking about—lookit what they gave me!"

American Sammie—It looks like we Americans are getting all of your French honors.

French Poilu—Yes, monsieur, we have about run out of undecorated Frenchmen upon which to bestow them.—Pass in Review.

REACQUAINTANCE.

Rookie (extracting a cigarette from his pocket as he approached the major)—Say, Bo, have you got a match?

Major (harshly)—Do you know to

whom you are talking?

Rookie (scrutinizing him closely)—No, I don't believe I do, but seems like I have seen you somewhere before.—Judge.

Who Killed Cock Kaiser?

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"I," said Conceit;

"I brought his defeat;

I killed Cock Kaiser."

Who saw him die?

"I," said Remorse;

"In a torturing course,

I saw him die!"

Who caught his blood?

"We," said the Slain;

"We died not in vain;

We caught his blood."

Who'll make his shroud?

"I," said the Sea;

"From the horrors he wrought on me

I'll make his shroud."

Who'll dig his grave?

"I," answered Right,

"With the shackles of Might,

I'll dig his grave."

Who'll toll the bell?

"I," answered Hell;

"When I've strafed him well,

I'll toll the bell."

Who'll sheath his sword?

"I," said the Lord;

"With Peace to the world restored,

I'll sheath his sword."

—Robert Baker in Life.

AND SO I WILL!

Did Pershing smash the hostile line?

I'll say so.

And put to flight Die Wacht am Rhine?

I'll say so.

Did Foch's forces swat the Hun? Did Wilhelm take it on the rump, And leave behind his setting sun?

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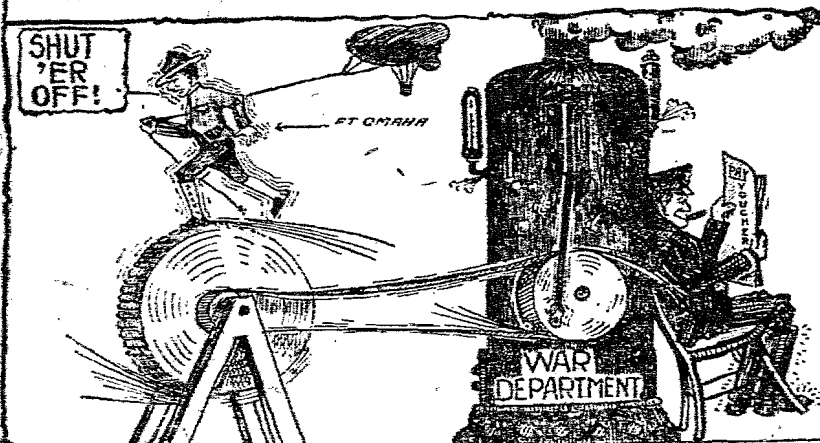
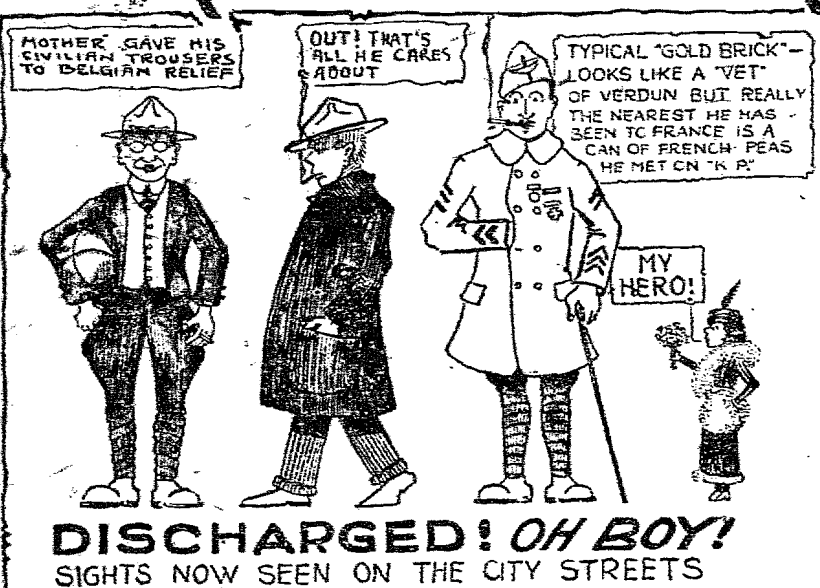
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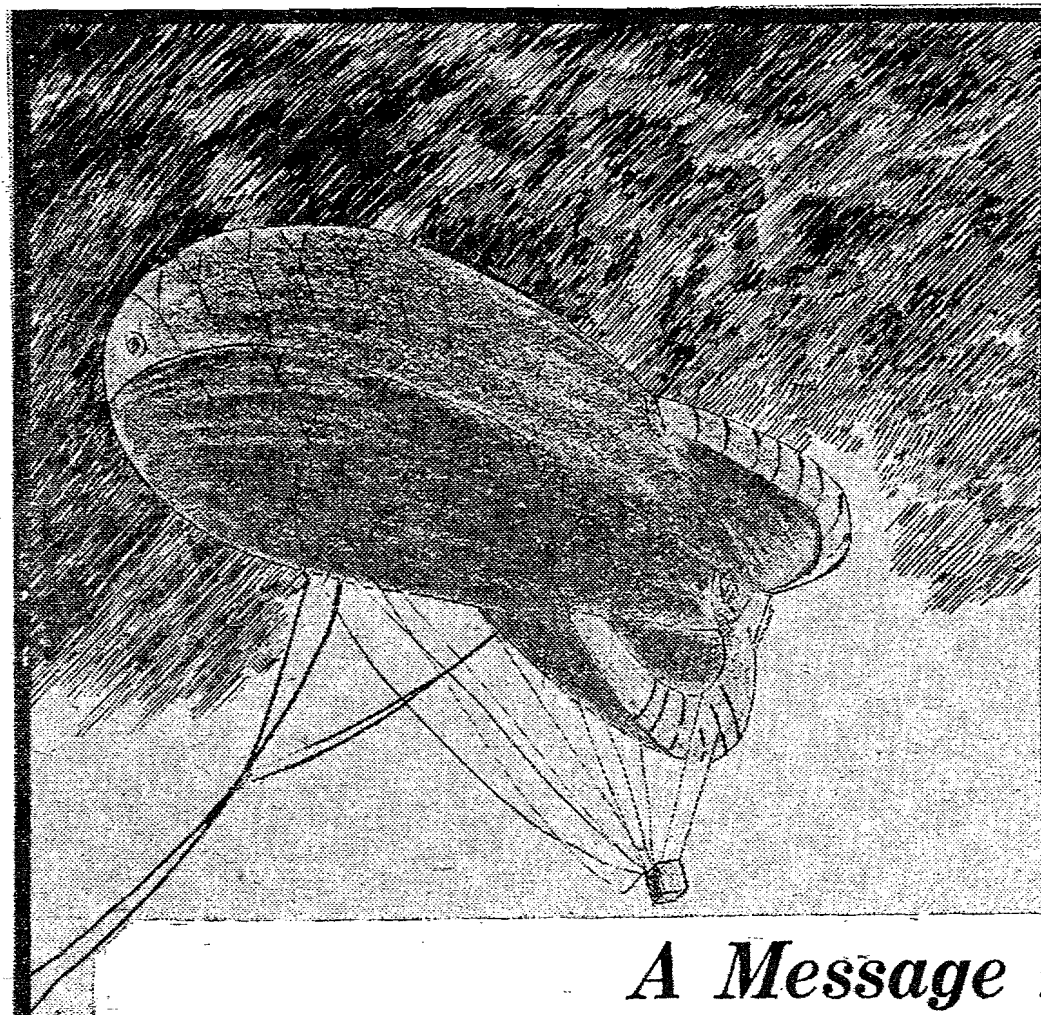
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A Message for 1919

The passing of 1918 marks the end of the most glorious epoch in the history of the world. It was glorious to have lived in this age and to have worn with honor the uniform of the American Soldier.

With the coming of 1919 we see the dawn of a new peace.

You who lay off the khaki to take up your old pursuits are about to recommence your lives as different men. You have been given new thoughts, new atmosphere and new ideals. You go back to your homes better, cleaner, healthier, stronger in every way to take up the burdens you laid down. It is urged upon you that you take with you when you leave those soldier ideals which you have acquired of Duty,

Honor and Country.

Above all things, cherish that which is called Honor. Without Honor a proper sense of Duty cannot be conceived, and where there is no sense of Duty, love of Country cannot exist.

Honor is the conception of clean thinking which places truth and justice above sordid gain.

It was in the name of this high ideal that our country went to war. In leaving, therefore, take back with you that high conception of Honor which is the soldier's greatest virtue and without which no army can triumph.

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Secretary Baker's New Years Message

War Department,
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Commanding Officer,
Fort Omaha, Neb.

Greeting to those in the uniform of
the United States army:

To you who have fulfilled the promise of the nation overseas and you who stood ready in reserve at home, I send greetings for the new year. The year of 1918 has shown what America can do. Nineteen hundred and nineteen will show what America is. Your part in the great accomplishment has been a vital one. The part you will bear in the days to come will be no less important

for your country. The process of demobilization is moving swiftly in order and according to plan. Clearly everything cannot be done at once and patience will be needed. Each step must follow the step before and some units will go quickly while others may be held a little longer for reasons that are very real, though sometimes not apparent on the surface.

As America made her power felt more quickly than the foe thought possible, so she will return that power to the pursuit of peace with all due speed. As you have shared in the pride of the first accomplishment so must your patience

aid in the present adjustment to new conditions. The privilege of having stood in the ranks of the army of victorious democracy will be your pride through the years to come.

If fortune has decreed that only weeks or months remain for you to stand in those ranks instead of bloody years as our allies have done, then bear yourself through the remaining days in a way to increase that pride.

The best wishes of the country for 1919 and all the coming years are yours. To these I add my own heartiest good wishes and the confidence that in the future as ex-soldiers, as you have done in the past as soldiers, you will continue to reflect the highest honor on our country.

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