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FORT OMAHA, NEBRASKA: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 1918.

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FOUNDER OF TRADE TEST SYSTEM HERE

Major Maranville, Now Stationed at This Post, Originated Testing Plan.

Trade tests are being given to each enlisted man at Fort Omaha this week. These tests are a modification, to suit conditions here, of the plan of trade testing originated by Major C. H. Maranville, A. S. A., who is now stationed at this post.

The object in giving them is to determine the qualifications of every enlisted man for the different trades in use in his particular branch of the service. The standardized classification of enlisted personnel, which is in use throughout the army, is a direct outgrowth of this system.

Trade testing was first attempted by Major Maranville, at Kelly Field, San Antonio, Tex., in October, 1917. Its development was rapid, and in four months \$5,000 men were tested and classified. The results of these tests attracted the attention of the committee on classification of enlisted personnel, under the Adjutant General of the army, and its application to all branches of the army soon followed.

Major Maranville has had broad experience in aviation, which has been of great service in working out the trade test system. He is a qualified airplane pilot, an authority on airplane motors, and has had experience with dirigibles. He entered the service in 1914 and served for two years with the first aero squadron, one year of which was spent with the American punitive expedition in Mexico, under General Pershing.

The last two years he has been in charge of all trade testing at Kelly Field. In October, 1918, he transferred from the heavier-than-air to the balloon division, reporting at Fort Omaha for instruction in that part of the ground course which applies to dirigible balloons. He will finish his work here and then expects to go overseas, to complete his training in England.

In referring to his work in developing trade testing, Major Maranville emphasized the magnitude of the task, and disclaimed sole credit for the successful working out of the plan.

"Trade testing is more than a one-man job," he said, "The Kelly Field board consisted of five officers and 200 enlisted men, chosen because of their fitness for this particular work. Without their splendid team work the results we accomplished could not have been attained."

Night School Is to Be Held Here for Enlisted Men

A night school will be conducted at this post to give men an opportunity to brush up on English grammar and composition. The classes will meet in North Barracks Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7 to 8 o'clock, and are taught by two instructors from the Omaha High School of Commerce, under the direction of Lieutenant Sanders, post chaplain.

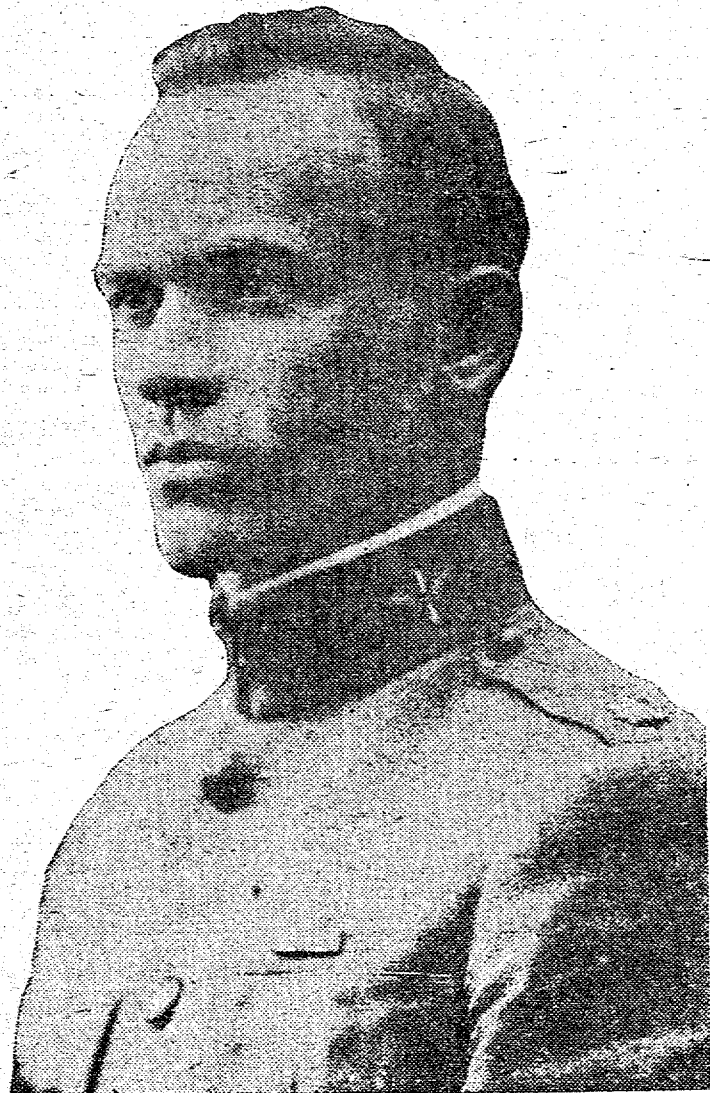
The plan of study is to review elementary grammar and composition and then take up the practice of writing business English. Any enlisted man at Fort Omaha or Florence Field may be admitted to the course.

DANCE FOR SOLDIERS

An entertainment and dance will be staged Saturday night at Lyric hall by the Jewish Welfare board. A cordial invitation is extended to all enlisted men at Fort Omaha.

Excellent music and a good time is promised at the dance, while an entertainment of high quality is scheduled for the early part of the evening.

Originator of Trade Test.



Major C. H. Maranville, recently stationed at Fort Omaha, who devised the first trade testing system at Kelly Field, Tex., in October, 1917. The standardized classification of enlisted personnel, employed in all branches of the army, is one result.

60TH BALLOON BOYS SMASH ALL RECORDS

Maneuver Balloon Fourteen Miles After Long Camp in Wilderness.

All records, world and otherwise, have been completely shattered by the 60th Balloon company of Florence field.

After spending two weeks in the wilds of Nebraska under adverse weather conditions, the company capped the climax by maneuvering the balloon back over a distance of fourteen miles in five hours.

The company left Florence field for Camp Coffman early this month. Fifteen trucks were loaded with equipment for a complete field camp. Pyramidal tents were taken instead of the pup tents used by the other companies while on the range.

Dubbing themselves the "Gulley Gang," particularly apropos during the rains, the members of the company made the time fly by digging balloon beds, building roads and taking hikes. They didn't even stop when the armistice was signed on the second day in camp.

Under the leadership of the company commander, Lieutenant Burgess, the balloon was maneuvered through mud and corn fields, up and down hills and over fences, gulleys and telephone wires. The distance is understood to be the longest a balloon was ever maneuvered in this country. The winch was only used for half an hour during the five hour period to rest the men.

An Omaha man has written a New York paper to suggest that Broadway be renamed Wilson Way, in honor of the president's services in the war.

Army and Navy Club Will Have Canteen Service

A recreational canteen for the entertainment of men in uniform will be opened at once at the Army and Navy club by the National League for Women's Service.

This announcement was made by the chairman of the league, Mrs. William Archibald Smith.

The billiard room at the club will be especially equipped for the work. Hours will be from 4 to 9 p. m., on Saturday and Sunday only until the service is well organized.

Then a group of women will be on duty every day.

Mrs. L. J. Healey, chairman, and Mesdames Luther Kountze, George A. Joslyn and E. P. Peck comprise the committee on arrangements, which is co-operating with Fred C. Williams, secretary of the war camp community service.

Omaha a Station on Mail Service Airplane Route

Omaha will be made a station on the transcontinental airplane mail service route, according to official advice received from Washington, and steps will be taken here at once to provide a municipal aviation field.

It is stated that the Postoffice department expects to establish air mail service in March or April and it is certain that Omaha will become an important cross-country aviation point.

Three proposed sites for aviation fields have already been submitted to federal authorities and an agent of the government is expected to visit here soon to inspect them.

It is expected that Omaha will be made a division of the aerial mail service and that sub routes will be developed from this point to cover mid-western territory.

Post Gridiron Warriors Set for St. Paul Battle

Flying Features Will Be Staged as Special Attraction Between Halves.

The Fort Omaha-St. Paul Aviation Mechanics' football game at Rourke park tomorrow afternoon promises to be the hardest fought battle of the season.

Each is determined and confident of winning the battle.

As an added attraction the aviation stunts postponed Army Day because of rain will be put on tomorrow.

Major P. E. Van Nostrand, execu-

tive officer, who has directed the football campaign to raise funds for rebuilding the post gymnasium has declared his satisfaction at the successful outlook of the project.

Committees have been working all week to make the crowd at the game one that will establish a city record. Accommodations for 15,000 have been prepared.

A parachute race, free balloon flights, an aerial bombardment of the field with footballs and stunt flying, are the events proposed.

Men Admitted Free.

Saturday will be a half holiday and every man who marches into the park in formation will be admitted free. It is expected that at least 1,000 rooters who have been rehearsing, will be on hand to cheer the team to victory.

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Concerning Insurance

The Personnel Office calls attention to the advantages of Government Insurance after you are out of the service.

Do not be hasty and drop your insurance until you have carefully considered the matter.

It is for your own interests you personal good and gain that the officials suggest that you retain your insurance.

Men Make Great Response in War Work Fund Drive

The enlisted men of Fort Omaha, Fort Crook and Florence Field subscribed over \$1,000 to war work organizations during the United War Work campaign which closed last week. While the exact amount is not yet compiled, Lieutenant Sanders, chairman of the committee, states that it will probably exceed this amount.

A feature of the campaign was the fact that there was no urging to induce subscriptions. The men were given an opportunity to donate what they cared to, the committee, through military representatives, confining itself merely to presenting the need for funds. Lieutenant Sanders is extremely gratified over the generous response made by the men.

Secretary Booth Leaves "Y" Work for a Pastorate

Secretary Edwin J. Booth, Jr., who has been at Fort Omaha, in Y. M. C. A. work since last January, has left. He was religious secretary during the entire period and building executive for the last two months previous to his departure.

For ten years before coming to the post he was pastor of the Congregational church at Fremont, Neb., and has now accepted the pastorate of the Congregational church at Charles City, Ia.

Until the arrival of Chaplain Sanders, the Rev. Mr. Booth really acted as chaplain de facto, serving in every capacity that required a minister of the gospel.

He did very efficient and capable work in the hospital.

Fort Omaha Men Coming Back Now

Many soldiers trained at Fort Omaha who recently went overseas for service are on their way back to the states and are expected to reach New York the last of this week.

Men in a score of balloon companies who left Omaha only a few months ago and who have been training in England, will be among the 7,000 soldiers of the first overseas contingent to return.

U. S. WILL PROVIDE FOR DISABLED MEN

To Furnish Vocational Training and Compensation to Its Fighters.

The United States government will spend \$2,000,000 and more if necessary, in retraining disabled soldiers and sailors for civil life.

Hundreds of thousands of wounded and otherwise disabled men have been trained for new occupations in Europe and Canada. Through the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, passed by congress last June, this government plans to do more for the disabled men of this war than any other nation of all times.

Through the Federal Board for Vocational Education, the disabled man will be given vocational training necessary to restore his self-supporting activity. This training will be at the expense of the government and while he is in training he will not only be supported, but allowances will be paid to his dependents.

Then he will be placed in a good position and his interests will be safe-guarded by the government under the jurisdiction of the federal board.

Congress has also provided that disabled soldiers and sailors who have been honorably discharged can get compensation. This compensation may be total or partial, according to the extent of a man's disability. This is measured by the man's present earning power compared with his previous earning power.

Compensation is not the same thing as insurance. It is given whether the man is insured or not. It must be applied for, however, on blanks furnished by the War-Risk Insurance bureau. And a man cannot receive vocational training unless he has been awarded compensation.

Plan Permanent Balloon School at Fort Omaha

Fort Omaha, Fort Crook and Florence Field will be retained permanently as a balloon school, according to present plans of the army general staff, is the report brought back from Washington by Commissioner Manley of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Manley interviewed general staff officials and was told that sufficient troops would probably be maintained here to retain the two forts and the field as government property.

The plan would make this the central balloon school, with a program including at least nine months' flying instruction in the year. Ordinary military maneuvers would be staged at Fort Crook and Fort Omaha would become the finishing school for the technique of aeronautics.

ORGANIZATION NEWS

BALLOON HOUSE.

By R. A. Baker.

Corporal Foresburg, N. C. O. in charge of the balloon house, and Pvt. Howard, in charge of the free balloons, are attending the "non-com" school.

The propaganda balloon that left on November 7 has just been found and returned to the fort. It came back in five separate pieces. After the balloon had knocked the paper machine free by striking the ground, it continued in flight ten miles further before the rain beat it to the ground the second time. The landing was northeast of Pipestone, Minn.

"Mother" Mead has extended invitations to members of the Cyclone Six club for a Thanksgiving dinner at her home.

Pvt. Bedwell appears very much lost now. He was married several weeks ago and on account of sickness in his wife's family, who live in Kansas City, it was necessary for her to go home for several weeks.

Pvt. Norris, who is the chemist at the gas house and the balloon house, has returned from his furlough of ten days, spent in Kansas City. He went single and returned double. We extend our congratulations to Pvt. Norris and his wife.

Lt. Russell, balloon inspector for the government, was here last week on official business.

Mr. A. Leo Stevens, of the Stevens Balloon and Airship company, New York, and also civilian inspector for the government, has been spending the past week with us on aerostatic experimental work.

Two new Goodyear Cacquot balloons have been received, unpacked, inspected and inflated ready for service.

Pvt. Frietag is acting corporal in the absence of Corporal Forsberg and is handling the work well, having had long experience here.

Pvt. Jewell took the 35,000 cubic foot free balloon that flew from Kansas City last Saturday, and set

it up for the flight.

Cpl. Moore is the only man who represented the balloon house at the football game at Kansas City last Saturday. He reports having had a great time.

Cpl. Wiedersum, who was recently promoted to the rank of corporal, seems to be unable to become accustomed to it, probably because he has been a private so long, anyway the other morning in answering the telephone, he said, "Pvt. Wiedersum speaking" and to make the situation worse he corrected himself by saying "corporal."

A number of the students in balloon rigging and repair have taken the final examination and have been assigned to special duty at the balloon house.

The non-commissioned officers class is spending one hour each day in the balloon house, studying the balloons under pressure, rigging and other features necessary in making repairs.

After being marked quarters for four days on account of illness, "Jimmy" Bedwell is back on the job again feeling like his usual self.

47TH BALLOON COMPANY

M. E. Herskind.

Fifteen of the boys from the Forty-seventh Company attended the football game at Kansas City, ten of whom had extended passes that they might visit with relatives and friends over Sunday.

The following promotions have occurred during the past week.

Corporals Williams, Cassill and Ross have been made Sergeants. Pts. 1 cl. Barnett, Herskind and Fleming have been made Corporals. Privates Baker, Heilman, Haney, Ellis, Ford, Keller and Lovejoy have been made Corporals.

This Company furnished pallbearers and firing squad for the funeral of a soldier who passed away at one of the cantonments near here.

Mess Sergeant Ross and Cook Allis were out hunting one day this past week, and we don't know whether they killed or bought the four nice ducks they brought back. At any rate the officers of the company all claim that they were fine. Cook Allis and Cook Donathon surely put up some meal.

Private Goodwyn received a ten day extension to his furlough, and will report back to the company on Dec. 6th, 1918. He recently broke his arm and is recuperating at his home in Colorado Spring.

Private Golding reported back to the company on Tuesday, he having

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been absent on furlough on account of sickness since Oct. 3rd, 1918.

Several of the boys from the 19th Company dropped into the barracks the other day, they being here on furloughs. All wore their overseas equipment.

Private Smith reported to the Company on Saturday, he having been sick with the "flu" at Ft. Crook at the time of his being transferred.

Private Johnson is spending a ten day extension to his furlough at his home here in the city. Johnson has been in the service three months, two months of which time he spent in the hospital.

48TH BALLOON COMPANY

Joseph H. Frazier.

Pts. Otto F. Smith, Eugene D. Huber and Cook Doris R. Griffin are away on thirty-day farm furloughs.

Corporal Charles H. Dickman is on a ten-day furlough visiting at his home, Lewistown, Mont.

Pvt. Petersen has appointed himself mail orderly in this company and in the future we expect a lot of rabbiting on his part.

By the looks of the menu for Thanksgiving, Sgt. De Yarman is putting out, we expect to have a very large sick book the day after. The boys are drawing straws to see who will be K. P. Thanksgiving day.

Sgt. Braren says that if he is in the army for two months more, he will own the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway Co., as he has been contributing to that concern for about seven months.

Chauffeur John H. Foldberg is leaving on a ten-day furlough to visit Dallas, Tex.

From all appearances, the war has ended as Corporal Maginnis stayed in one night last week. We wonder what the girls did?

Pvt. Kirpatrick says he will do anything that his wife asks except put pink ribbons on his nightgown to fool the baby.

50TH BALLOON COMPANY

W. O'Neil Goodwin.

Corporal Hay leaves for Minneapolis this week for the purpose of taking unto himself a wife. Thus the secret of the source of those thirty-six page letters is solved.

Pvt. Wisniewsky has returned from Philadelphia where he spent a ten-day furlough.

The following promotions took place in this company last week: Corporals Jorgenson, Johnson and Goodwin to grade of sergeant; Chauffeur Lehnert, Privates, first class, Vog and Klingborg to grade of corporal; Private, first class, Rhoades to chauffeur; Privates Ohlman, Duble, Slifer, Brewer and O'Hara to grade of private first class.

Sergeant Steward will never ask for a job on the police force—he isn't in love with guard duty.

Pvt. Beard is sick in hospital—la grippe we understand.

Our "top-kick" is getting to be a regular "man about town"—takes in all the shows, stays out late 'n everything. Ask Bill!

Corporal Carney called on the birds the other day. He was

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The rumble of a lumber wagon was recorded by our seismograph last week and an armed guard was immediately dispatched to surround it. But (there has to be a "but") it was kindling wood and we are still watchfully waiting for our tent boards.

59TH BALLOON COMPANY

Paul J. Rozmaljz.

Sergeant C. O. Moore has been called to Lincoln, Neb., on account of a serious accident to his brother.

Privates Lockhead, Dartman and Anderson are home on furlough. These men were recent "flu" patients.

Private Rice is home on furlough. Private Crook has returned from furlough and states that he had a gay old time.

The talk of getting discharged is so strong that one of our boys asked if he could turn in his tent.

62D BALLOON COMPANY

Maurice F. Murphy.

Promotions to the grade of sergeants: Corporal Maurice F. Murphy and Corporal Francis J. Ellison. To grade of corporal: Privates, first class, Lawrence Miller, Rollo W. Humiston, Albert S. Chauncey and Edward W. Bedford. To chauffeur: Private Maurice E. Mensinger. To grade of private, first class: Vincent Pirrone, George G. Remund, Harold D. Webber and Lynn A. Parish.

Corporal Familia's new sweet-scented foot powder has given gratifying relief to him, not to mention Sergeants Murphy and Krohl.

When discharged Private Cleeberger will no doubt take a rest cure—from rest. Merely a suggestion, but eighteen hours a day stoking on an ocean liner might bring about the desired results.

Men, Corporal Hines was successfully "vamped." Alas, with him fell the last prop to which the men might justly point as an example

of the faithfulness of men.

Corporal Carter is not so certain he desires a discharge. He claims racial designation should be eliminated on the "white sheet."

Congratulations Corporal Buffa; may happiness follow "both" of you always.

So pale, delicate and flower-like always, Stumpenhorst returned from a thirty-day farm furlough; more listless, pallid and tender than ever.

It is suggested that a commission of certified public accountants be formed to ferret out how Private Christian does so much on so little and keeps up both allotment and insurance.

63D BALLOON COMPANY

G. C. Wiedersum.

"When do we get our discharge" seems to be the topic of conversation of the fellows these days. It is amusing to hear all the different lines of work that the men say they are going to take up. Just be patient, you know Uncle Sam will let you go just as soon as he is through with you, so in the meantime let's be as faithful as ever. Remember, everything comes to him who waits.

Sergeant Major Smith seems to be a very happy man since the signing of the armistice, and on being questioned as to the reason, we learn that he has plans made to go on a large bee farm down in Sarpy county, southwest of South Omaha, also that he will take into partnership a very estimable young lady. "Smith" says farming is the life for him and that is the reason for all the smiling.

Sergeant Suttie has put one over on Jack Frost by taking a trip to sunny California on business. Sergeant Zuber claims to know all about "Frisco" and if Sergeant Suttie looks up all the friends he has listed he won't return for a month.

Evidently it was feared there would be a grand rush for the gate when discharges begin to appear and that someone would be injured, so we were issued "first aid to the injured" kits by our Supply Sergeant Twamley.

Private Freitag's long suit is night work, and he likes to get up in these cold nights to go to the Balloon House when there is a free flight scheduled in the wee sma' hours of the morning. He says he would like to meet the fellow who wrote the song, "Oh Its Nice To Get Up In the Morning."

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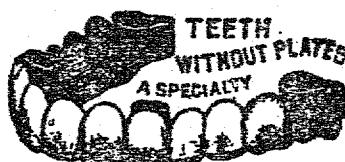
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75TH BALLOON COMPANY

Milton T. Graff.
Corporal Reynolds left Friday on a ten day furlough to Sherman, Texas.

Twenty-one men from this organization attended the foot ball game at Kansas City, Saturday.

Sergeant Kern has returned from a thirty day furlough.

Private W. M. Miller was granted a ten day furlough to see his best girl in Dallas, Texas. Be sure and salute all the girls Miller!

Private Baresh bought a box of shoe polish; looks like he was contemplating society.

We feel slighted because the Bear hasn't paid us a visit.

"Give me liberty or give me death." Said Patrick Henry. Give me a discharge—that's liberty enough for me. Say all of us.

Pvt. Nickels' girl took him to a picture show Saturday night. Some drag!

Cultivate your appetites. Thanksgiving day comes next Tuesday.

81ST BALLOON COMPANY

George J. Lamb.
Private James A. Scott is on a twenty-day farm furlough.

Private Wm. K. Bally is still in the hospital but we are looking for him to join us most any day now.

When it comes to regular "chow" the boys have to hand it to Lieutenant Murphy and Mess Sergeant Hedges.

Private John A. Appenbrinke has been honorably discharged and has left for his home at Galveston, Tex.

Private Frank J. Ratzman seems to be having a great deal of enjoyment by announcing to the rest of the company that Private A. H. Schmitt "hasn't got a dime." Ratzman borrowed the last dime that Schmitt had.

The 81st company was called on to guard the sausage balloon, motor winch, anti-aircraft gun and other equipment on the court house lawn. These implements of war were placed on exhibition to advertise the football game with Camp Grant last Saturday. It was some scream of an ad too.

Private Fred A. Neuberger made quite a hit with the fair sex while on guard duty at the court house. A fair maiden remarked that the way he handled his rifle was too cute for anything. The sergeant of the guard informed her that if she had handled a rifle as long as Neuberger has perhaps she would be pretty proficient at the manual of arms herself.

Corporal John A. McHugh has been promoted to the grade of sergeant.

Private George J. Lamb has been promoted to the grade of private, first class.

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POST HOSPITAL

O. M. Lambur.

The medics regret exceedingly the loss by death of Pvt. 1cl. Zell S. Killingsworth, who was one of the big family at the hospital. His presence is very much missed. The medics all join in extending heartfelt sympathy to his family and relatives. Pvt. 1cl. Killingsworth was a soldier who will long be remembered by the medics.

The following medics were transferred to the hospital from the Balloon Companies to which they were assigned: From the 50th Company, Pvt. Raymond E. Donnell; from the 59th Company, Pvt. Charles S. Jordan; from the 60th Company, Pvt. Joseph Porter.

Pvt. Claude E. Goodall left on a five-day pass to attend the funeral of a relative.

Sgt. Plambeck has just returned from his furlough. He seems to have added some more names to his already long list of fair maidens. Some Sergeants sure can get away with the soft stuff and then come back trying to explain matters. It's no use, we all know the Sergeant.

Pvt. 1cl. Cian just recently returned from his furlough and he, like all others, tries to tell of the good times enjoyed on furloughs. Too bad we can't all get furloughs and live in Gary, Ind. We are at a loss to understand why Cian did not bring a bride with him. No doubt he is a wise old owl.

The medics have the pleasure of announcing the marriage of Pvt. 1cl. Lee Anglin to Miss Nellie Coakley of Zwingle, Ia. The couple have made their home in Omaha, this being due to the fact that Pvt. Anglin wants his bride to be near him. Of course, you can't blame him. We all wish to congratulate Pvt. Anglin. Good luck to you and the bride.

Talk about your wild Chauffeurs. We have one in Corporal Montag.

The medics sure are proud of their kitchen and dining room. Cook Jenkins has had a busy week showing around the many inspectors. The medics' kitchen and dining room have been used as an example of sanitation and cleanliness. We sure have some Cook and K.P.s. Keep up the good work boys.

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Fort Crook Notes

G. A. DELAND.

QUARTERMASTER CORPS

Sgts. Patton, Leland Cashman, Dewey Whetstone, Kaser and some other high steppers are taking a vacation in Kansas City, watching the football game.

It seems to us that Fairfax, aided by Sgt. Patton and Corporal Cooper, of the post personnel office, are sticking pretty close to some certain dancing teachers in town, evidently with a view of kidding them and getting free lessons.

Sgt. Deland had first hand information regarding the pipe and pancakes—no wonder he was along pitching into the pancakes and swiped the pipe long enough to write about it. If he'd only stop asking us so many questions about our Q. M. truck, who is a very busy one and let us have one of the M & V trucks, maybe we'd think him a better sort of a guy.

MEDICS

Sgt. Milder, Cook Maurer and some of the other boys were lucky enough to be able to beat it for the football game. The others are too lazy to do anything, outside of dancing nights, eating, and doing a little sleeping once in a while. The Gas Bag is exceedingly popular with medics. There is a mad rush to headquarters for the issues each week and the correspondent has had to post a guard by the door to his office to keep all the wit of these high branched service men from flooding him with notes for these columns. In fact they have been so annoying that he has had a call up Sgt. Crawford three times inside of an hour to plead for mercy and not send so many things down at the one time.

There is a reason for everything. The present feeling of "at-ease" in the hospital is due to the fact that they are entirely rid of the "flu" and have but few cases of measles.

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Again the airplanes have not been flying for the last few days and the cadets are awaiting discharges so they are staying well.

CADETS

Gilbert, Clark, Myrland and Langford attended the dance given by the Friendship club last Thursday. Strange to say one of these cadets did not dance. He was practicing making smoke screens, in spite of the fact that the war is over. Gilbert was as popular as ever with the ladies, in fact, that is his only failing. The other two were "on their dignity," being among the enlisted men.

Cadets Kendall and Seaver have returned to Section 71 for duty, after a week of illness in the post hospital.

Section 73 has been enhanced by the arrival of cadets from South Carolina, Arcadia, Cal., and Yokohama, Japan. Among these are Storz and Curtiss, formerly of Omaha. Curtiss has for some time past been bank auditor for the International Bankers Corporation in Japan.

Lts. Boyle and Carter have been granted leaves of absence to attend the football game at Kansas City.

Mess Sergeant Kenny is showing signs of getting hard. Can't figure out the reason. Quite sure he won't have an interview with the kaiser.

Sgt. Morrissey, the old reliable, is very busy these days. He is the one man along with Gibb we all go to with our troubles.

QUARTERMASTER CORPS

Julius Du Bose.

Q. M. Sgt. Branco has returned to his desk after a three weeks visit to the post hospital.

Pvt. Lightfoot would like to know

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A new box of cigars is anticipated for it is said Pvt. Hone Leeler has matrimonial intentions.

Corporal Seede Trutleman of the barn spends his week ends in South Omaha.

Pvt. Younger of the reclamation department desires a stove in his place of business.

Sgt. Howard of the stables believes in security, for it is told that he carries his chickens around in a sack.

D. S. MEN

Anybody who don't know how to make a good about face before a post adjutant, please consult Heine Buhrer, he knows.

Milne, our exhorseshoer, now chief bugler, is a wonder with the ladies. The other night at "the big dance" he made 'em all sit up and take notice. We accredit his popularity to the size of his mit.

Talking about making about face. Well, one fellow is so expert at it that he can make any carpet come up and meet him like a clockwise spiral in a Texas sandstorm.

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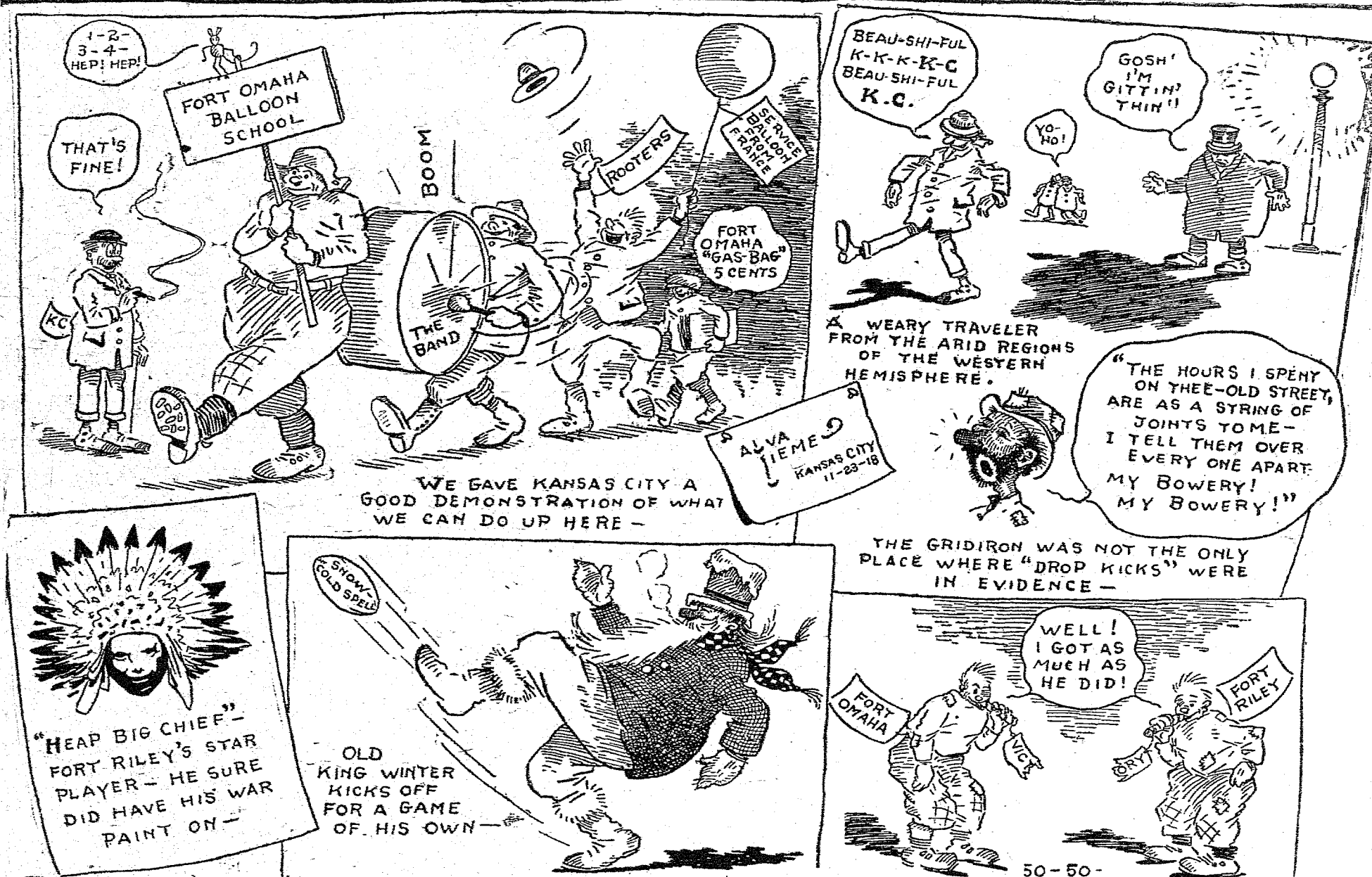
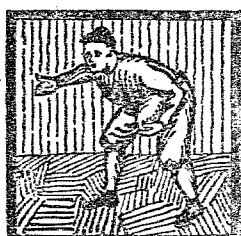
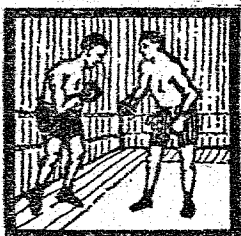
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Rough and Tumble Battle Between Medics and Balloonists Results In a Tie.

Last Saturday was a great day for Kansas City and a great day for those from Fort Omaha who followed the colors of our pet football squad to Association park. The Balloonists were out for the Pill-rollers scalp; there was no doubt about it, and likewise the Medics were out to puncture the Cacquot outfit's ambition. This very evident determination resulted in a fiercely contested game and the spectators were treated to a front line exhibition when it comes to "treat 'em rough." Once again the weather man frowned on us and produced a dark, dank, damp, drizzly, discomforting day. When it comes to making things miserable Old Jupiter Pluvius takes the "brown derby"—he seems to have a particular grudge against the balloonists—perhaps it is because we are supposed to know so much about his business. Between halves, an observation balloon was inflated and at the finish of the game an exhibition flight was staged for the benefit and amusement of the Mis-sourians.

Omaha was forced down the

field at the start of the game. Two pretty forward passes, engineered by the Indian left half, Lasley, figured largely in the advance. A medic was thrown back ten yards on an attempted end run, with the ball on Omaha's fifteen-yard line, but Lasley regained the ground separating the balloon line for a seven-yard plunge. The Riley team had seemingly taken the Omaha eleven by surprise and before the latter could recover the ball had been carried to their thirteen-yard line. On the third down the Indian went around the end and placed the ball under the crossbar.

A seventh point was added with a kick that landed in the bleachers. The balloon school recovered from their trance and put the Medics on the defensive.

When the Omaha men resorted to straight football their weight gave them an advantage and by concentrating the attack on the light Riley men, the balloonists rushed the ball to Riley's three-yard line at the beginning of the second quarter. Eudaley went over and a goal was kicked, evening the score. A twenty-yard run by Faulk and a corking aerial lift gave Faulk the opportunity to view the posts from the outside. With the successful booting of the pigskin the score stood 14 to 7 for Omaha.

Riley balanced the score ledger in the third period. Lasley shot a forward pass to Randall, and he

sped past the white lines for thirty yards.

Another pass from the hands of the clever Indian to Randall scored the second touchdown for Riley, and the score was evened when the kick cleared the posts and bounded into the foremost rows of the bleachers.

The play was rough and furious in the last period. Anything and everything was attempted. Seven Omaha men were taken out on account of injuries. Neither team could secure any material advantage, and the game ended with the ball near the middle of the field. The line-up:

Fort Riley.....	Positions	Fort Omaha
Kelsey.....	LE	Weirich
Thires.....	LT	Anderson
Morris.....	LC	Froelich
Smith.....	RC	Reynolds
Krattley.....	EC	Weber
Welch.....	EC	Bosley
Randels.....	RE	Lundberg
Dalton.....	Q	Spang
Lesley.....	LH	Faulk
Pierks.....	FB	King
Dorsett.....	RH	Eudaley

The score by periods:

Fort Riley	7	0	7	0-14
Fort Omaha	0	14	0	0-14

The summary: Touchdown, Palk 2;
Dierks 2; substitutions, Whistler for
Hesketh, Jordan for Littleton, Eudaley
for Lundberg, Reed for Wetrick; pen-
alties, Omaha, 25 yards, Riley 55 yards;
referee, Dr. J. A. Riley, K. C. A. C.;
umpire, C. E. McBride, K. C. A. C.

Winter Sports Being Considered

With the passing of football there will be no let up in the athletic program of the balloon men. Sports will continue, state the officials, as the men must have healthful diversion in their off hours and no effort will be spared in the preparation of an attractive program.

Present indications point to a crack basketball team that will be qualified to meet the best in the country and a second team to entertain the lesser lights in floor work. Arrangements are already under way and it should not be very long before the Omaha basketball fans are treated to classy exhibitions.

The ever ready Y. M. C. A. and K. of C. are "doping out" boxing and wrestling tournaments for the winter months and we will not be surprised if a Joe Stecher or an Ad Wolgast is unearthed. Facilities

at the fort are excellent for staging mitt and mat bouts and a snappy schedule is anticipated from these two appreciated organizations.

Post Eleven Set for Aviators

Lieutenant John G. McKay, Fort Omaha coach, and Lieutenant M. S. Halliday, coach of the visiting team, each declared last night their respective teams were sure to win. The players of both teams are filled with the same spirit.

The post team has been working hard this week. Even yesterday morning they were put through a fast, stiff scrimmage and signal

drill.

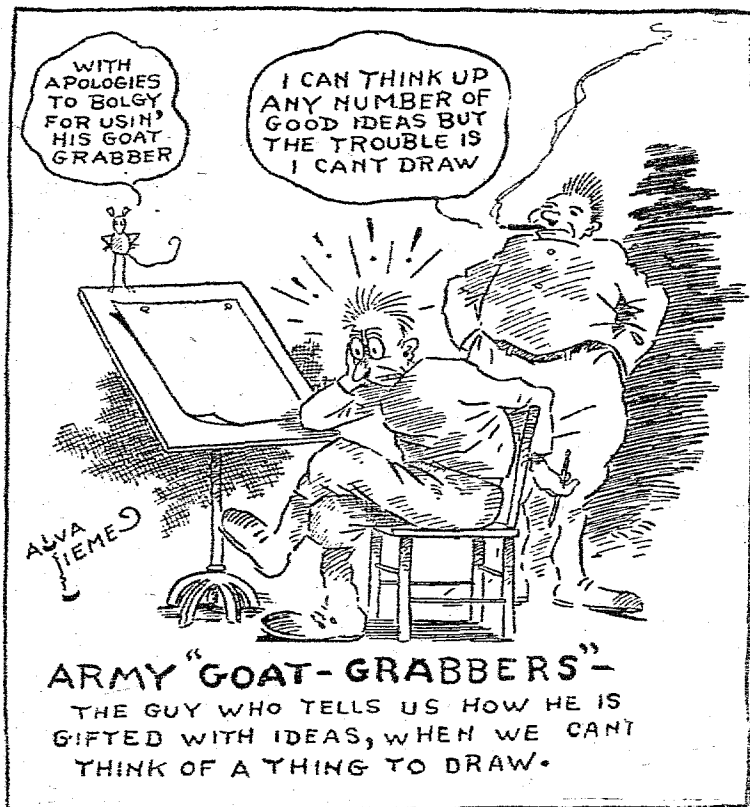
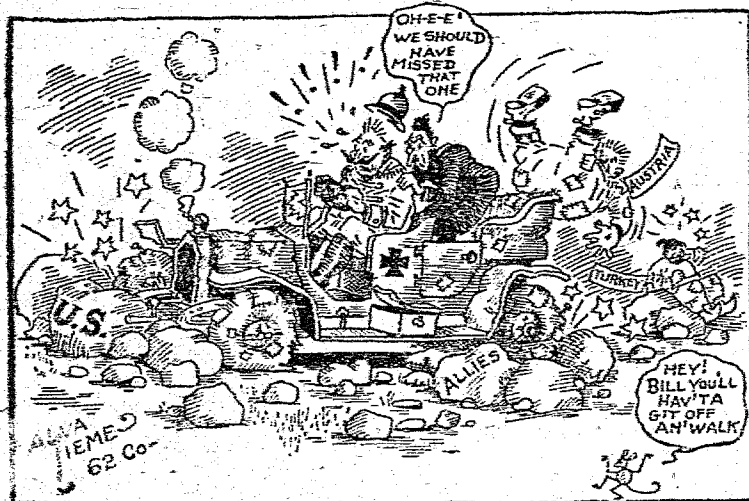
All of the cripples have recovered and a strong line up will start the game.

Lieutenant Halliday, the St. Paul coach, played a back position on the Cornell eleven for four years. Other college stars are Warner of Michigan "U," Shepard of Dartmouth and Marshall of Brown. Fred Chicken, captain and half back, is one of the fastest "semi-pros" in the west.

The game starts at 2:30 sharp.

The lineup:

ST. PAUL.		FORT OMAHA.	
Werner	R.E.R.E.	Weirich	
Bashaw	R.T.R.T.	Hesketh	
Guttormsen	R.G.R.G.	Weber	
Sheppard	C.C.	Reynolds	
Schumacher	L.G.L.G.	Froelich	
Nelson	L.T.L.T.	Anderson	
Tooke	L.E.L.E.	Lunsborg	
Milligan	Q.B.Q.B.	Spang	
Chickie	R.H.R.H.	Faulk	
Williams	L.H.L.H.	Budaly	
Bennett	E.E.E.E.	King	



A. LEO STEVENS HAS TWO FLIGHTS HERE

**Pilots Free Balloons Ont of
Fort Omaha to Test
New Machines.**

BY R. A. BAKER.

A. Leo Stevens, who piloted out of Washington, D. C., a 35,000 cubic foot spherical with Colonels C. G. Brant, M. F. Davis and Major J. C. McCoy as passengers, is now at Fort Omaha on aerostatic experimental work.

Wednesday morning, November 20, Mr. Stevens had a spherical balloon of 35,000 cubic foot capacity maneuvered out to North Field to start flight. He weighed off quickly with Lieutenant Colonel G. H. Shields and Captain R. C. Pierce as passengers. He had over 750 pounds of sand and a total lift of 2,069 pounds.

The balloon reached its first equilibrium at about 1,900 feet. There was a heavy mist and the balloon was soon lost to sight. It continued flying above the clouds throughout practically the entire trip. The highest point of flight recorded on the barometer was 3,300 feet.

The object of the flight was to acquaint Mr. Stevens with the operating of Captain Pierce's propaganda machines.

After being in the air for seven hours and twenty minutes Mr. Stevens valved down to earth and landed in a twenty-eight-mile gale on the property of L. H. Neirwender, three miles east of Silver Lake, Kan., and eleven miles west of Topeka, Kan. The direction of flight from Fort Omaha was south and the airline distance 158 miles. Mr. Stevens started out on his

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Received..... 191.. To Membership Committee for Action..... 191.. Result.....

Applicant notified..... 191..

JOHN H. PACKARD, Secretary,
Captain, S. C.

second flight Saturday morning, carrying Lt. Col. Carmody and Capt. Pierce as passengers. The men were heavily clad for the first real cold flying weather of the season.

A small balloon, carrying Capt. Pierce's automatic machines, was released and was soon buried from view in the clouds.

Mr. Stevens' idea was to follow the propaganda balloon, necessitating much maneuvering. He had attached to the concentration ring of the big balloon a number of small rubber balloons inflated with hydrogen. To get an idea of the higher air currents Mr. Stevens would release one of the little balloons and watch the action of the air currents on it. This enabled him to maneuver the big balloon without loss of much ballast.

By causing the balloon to rise and fall he was able to see-saw back and forth over the city throughout the duration of the flight; but at no time was the propaganda balloon sighted.

BOILED BRIEFS

A huge airplane carrying thirty-five passengers flew over Paris from Combes La Ville, a distance of forty miles.

Several thousand American soldiers sailed for home from Liverpool on Saturday and a division embarked at a French port on Tuesday.

Heavy "paper" at Camp Funston will permit the release of only 4,000 men in the first discharge contingent, instead of 7,500 as originally scheduled.

A souvenir box has just been received from Lt. Robert Connell, who died last month in Paris. It was sent in September and contained two German helmets and a gas mask.

Lieutenant James V. Tierney fell 3,000 feet at Elkton, Md., when his airplane collided with one driven by Lieutenant John Hoare, and escaped entirely uninjured.

The largest military hospital of its kind in the world has been formally opened at New York. It has accommodations for 4,000 patients.

No action has been taken on the bill introduced in congress by Senator Cummins of Iowa to entitle soldiers to keep their uniforms when discharged.

The Fourth Liberty loan was oversubscribed \$989,047,000, according to the treasury department. Subscriptions totaled \$6,989,047,000.

"Our young men in the army overseas have forgotten their creeds and found God," said the Rev. Robert F. Leavens, Omaha pastor, in a Sunday sermon.

Form Air Service Club Association

Announcement has been made of the formation of the Air Service Clubs' association, with headquarters at Washington. This club has for its object the fostering of professional interest among the commissioned personnel of the service, as well as to provide means for social activities at different posts where air service men are stationed.

Membership is confined to the commissioned personnel of the air service, and the cost is ten dollars for the first year, including initiation fee. Subsequent fees will be three dollars per year. Upon payment of the initiation fee, members will obtain privileges of the Aero club of America and affiliated aero clubs in foreign countries, and in addition will receive all publications of the association for one year. It is the intention to maintain a club house in Washington.

The association is the only official organization of the air service officers. Major General Wm. L. Kenly is president and Major John H. Packard secretary.

MUNY DANCES AGAIN.

Municipal dances will again be held at the Auditorium, if plans of Director Weirich of the Welfare board materialize.

Soldiers will be admitted to these dances free. Music will be furnished by a band.

PRAISE OMAHA OFFICER

In an editorial of welcome, printed in the Arcadian, Cal. "Observer" members of the Sixty-sixth Balloon company praise their new commander, Lieutenant E. R. Burke, who was trained at Fort Omaha. He was formerly an Omaha attorney.

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Miss Gertrude Heeren, society girl of Des Moines, Ia., who is engaged to marry Pvt. Elton B. Christian of Fort Omaha.

Pvt. Christian is on detached duty at the post headquarters.

Isabelle Club Brings Smiles to Fort Crook Boys

The fellows at Fort Crook are all enthusiastic over the dance given at that post for their entertainment last Friday evening by the members of the Isabelle club.

Mr. and Mrs. Burke and Miss Kopietz of Omaha were in charge of the affair and the chaperones were very congenial.

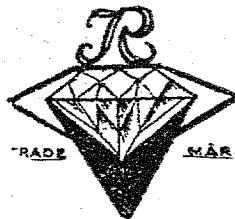
The music was excellent and the girls made splendid dancing partners. The soldiers were so jubilant that several volunteered to "spell" the orchestra and keep the things moving while the musicians rested.

It is expected that the club will return this Friday evening, a prospect regarded by the boys with much anticipation.

"FAIRY" WANTS A BOX.

"Fairy" Curry, the ponderous proprietor of the country store at Florence Field gate, is looking for a sawdust box and some whittlin' wood.

He has his stove all set up for the winter and wants to provide further accommodations for a "sociable circle."



Mr. Soldier Man!

Many of you are strangers in our community—we welcome you. Many will be with us during the coming Xmas holidays, which, in the light of victory, should be the merriest and most joyful of any Xmas since A. D. 1. We will commemorate Xmas 1918 with pleasing, personal and permanent gifts. What more logical than jewelry? Where more satisfying to shop than Ryan's, the house of quality?

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One of Fort Omaha's Popular Matrons



Mrs. Russell T. Crawford, a vivacious little woman who has acquired a large circle of friends, and has done a great deal of entertaining.

Mrs. Crawford came to Fort Omaha last May from Berkeley, Cal., where she had resided for the last six years. It was there she was married to Major Crawford, at the time he was professor of astronomy at the University of California.

She was born in Brooklyn, N. Y. Her father who, was was professor in several of the leading colleges in the country, is now doing war work in England.

Mrs. Crawford has traveled quite extensively, having completed her education abroad. She studied music two years in Berlin, where she heard the leading artists of the world. Her mother, Mrs. Young, who is now her house guest, lived there with her during this period.

While in Europe she also studied art under the direction of Dr. Babcock, and visited all the famous art galleries of the old world.

Mrs. Crawford is a gracious hostess, and is looking forward to many of the parties and dances for the winter season.

ON FLIGHT

Captain George Young, Jr., reported from Fort Crook to Fort Omaha to take the course of instruction.

Lieutenant James A. Callan has been relieved from duty with the Depot Brigade, Fort Crook, and is now stationed with the 62nd Balloon company at Fort Omaha.

Second Lieutenant Harold M. Hine has been granted a ten day leave of absence.

Mr. A. Leo Stevens has reported to Fort Omaha.

Lieutenant Carl E. Pienze has been relieved from the 74th Balloon company and assigned to duty with the 73rd Balloon company at Fort Omaha.

Lieutenant Fred C. Grebble formerly Fort Omaha cadet, has been transferred from Camp John Wise to Morrison, Va., where he will proceed for overseas duties.

Lieutenant Naiben Cammack, artillery officer, who took the course of instruction at Fort Omaha, is now at Fort Allan, Vt.

First Lieutenant E. W. Blackburn

has been relieved from the 73rd Balloon company and detailed as assistant officer-in-charge of recruit instruction at Fort Crook.

Lieutenant Millard Westcott, artillery officer who took the course of instruction at Fort Omaha, has entered the Army Balloon school at Bordeaux, France.

First Lieutenant Beverly W. Holmes has been assigned to duty with, and in command of the 73rd Balloon company.

Major P. E. Van Nostrand has been detailed at post censor in addition to his other duties.

Among the Fort Omaha cadets who received their commission at Arcadia, Cal., and who have been transferred to Camp John Wise are: Lieutenants Marcellas Chottien, R. H. Wybrant, Harry Rafferty, Harvey Graham, Stanley Doch, and Lewis Irwin.

Lieutenant Fred Wiggins paid Omaha a short visit on his way to Langdon Field, Hampton, Va.

Lieutenant Albert Wedemeyer, Jr., left Thursday evening for West Point, where he will take a post graduate course.

room at the depot be open day and night.

From December 7, 1917, to October 4, 1918, the Red Cross canteen at Fort Omaha has served 289,000 men, the largest day being May 12 when 18,925 men were served.

At a musical program arranged by Mrs. Charles Thiem Monday evening, at the Y. M. C. A., Miss Ethel Woodbridge, soprano, sang a very lovely solo, "The Crying of Water," by Campbell Tipton.

The "Smiles" club have issued invitations to a dance at Hart hall Saturday evening. Fifty guests invited.

Swift & Co. have issued invitations to a dance at the Rome hotel, Friday evening, December 6.

The Patricia club will give a dancing party Friday evening, November 29, at their hall. Sacred Heart Lyceum, Twenty-second and Locust streets.

• ❖ • SOCIETY • ❖ •

Corporal Ralph A. Magrum, Society Editor.

Among those who occupied boxes at the Fort Omaha-Fort Riley Football Game which was held at Kansas City last Saturday were Colonel and Mrs. Henry F. Pipes and Captain and Mrs. W. F. Speers of Fort Riley, Kansas.

Major and Mrs. E. W. Crockett, Lieutenant and Mrs. J. R. Crowe and Lieutenant F. W. Gledhill occupied a box.

Major P. E. Van Nostrand, Major C. H. Maranyville, Captain A. M. Whitney, Captain C. E. McCullough and Captain H. A. Wise were together.

Lieutenant and Mrs. E. G. Hotchkiss, Lieutenant and Mrs. J. C. McKay, Lieutenant R. S. Walton, Lieutenant J. S. Reber and Miss Mary Glover of Kansas City were in a box.

Lieutenants Roland Gaupel, W. N. Griswold, G. L. Carleton and S. M. Warren Jr., occupied a box.

Lieutenant C. W. Lines and Miss Turner of Kansas City, Lieutenant E. K. Hawley and Miss Baer of Kansas City and Miss Carr of Kansas City, occupied a box.

Lieutenant F. G. Boone of March Field, Riverside, Cal., and Miss Virginia Yowell of Kansas City, were in one of the boxes.

Colonel G. H. Shields, Captain F. DeP. Townsend, Lieutenant R. R. Ensor and Lieutenant H. C. Kimberlin occupied a box.

Colonel Cook, Major Dammasch and Lieutenant Pape, officers of Fort Riley, were in a box.

Among others who occupied boxes were: Lieutenants Carl Debolph, H. E. Reed, G. B. Harrison, W. E. Connolly, N. R. Reasoner, C. A. Ogilbee, S. R. Kirkpatrick, L. G. Hunt, J. P. Spang Jr., R. H. Loomis, M. E. Northwall, R. G. Conklin, A. A. Anderson, R. S. Walton, K. H. Paterson and Warner.

Lieutenants C. F. Wilson, Deitrich and Niles, who recently received their commissions at West Point, occupied a box.

The Fort Omaha-Football Team was entertained at dinner at the Mehlbach followed by a theater party at "Leave It to Jane."

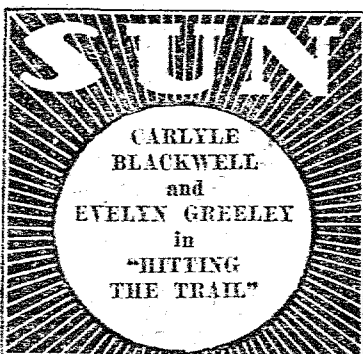
Lieutenant and Mrs. John R. Crowe of Kansas City entertained Major and Mrs. E. W. Crockett, Lieutenant and Mrs. J. C. McKay and Lieutenant F. W. Gledhill, who were their house guests for the week-end.

Mrs. R. H. Loomis entertained at a luncheon Thursday at the Omaha Club in compliment to Miss Dorothy Phipps of Denver, who is the house guest of Lieutenant and Mrs. E. S. Kassler Jr. Those present were: Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest, Mrs. G. H. Strong, Mrs. Howard White and Mrs. Earle Kiplinger.

Lieutenant and Mrs. John R. Crowe entertained a dinner at the Kansas City Country Club Saturday evening.

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day evening. Those present were Major and Mrs. E. W. Crockett, Major P. E. Van Nostrand and Miss Catherine Harvey of Kansas City, Captain J. C. Ayling and Miss Dorothy George of Kansas City, Lieutenant and Mrs. E. G. Hotchkiss, Lieutenant and Mrs. J. C. McKay, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Clark of Omaha, Mrs. Marshall Neal of Kansas City and Lieutenant J. P. Spang Jr.

Lieutenant and Mrs. L. C. Perkins entertained at dinner followed by a theater party at the Boyd Thursday evening in honor of Lieutenant and Mrs. J. C. McKay.

Colonel and Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest entertained at tea Sunday in honor of Miss Dorothy Phipps of Denver, house guest of Lieutenant and Mrs. E. S. Kassler, jr. Those present were: Colonel and Mrs. Grant and the Misses Grant, Captain F. DeP. Townsend, Lieutenant and Mrs. R. H. Loomis, Miss Lynn Curtis, Lieutenant Maitlock of Camp Funston, Lieutenant W. E. Connolly and Lieutenant J. T. Neely.

Miss Helen Walker entertained at chafing dish supper Sunday evening, when her guests were: Miss Erna Reed and Miss Marjory Smith, Lieutenants James N. Bird, Albert F. Hebbard and William E. Connolly.

Mrs. E. S. Kassler, jr., entertained at tea Friday in honor of Miss Dorothy Phipps of Denver. Those present were: Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest, Mrs. G. H. Strong, Mrs. Howard White and Mrs. R. H. Loomis.

Captain F. DeP. Townsend entertained informally at a dinner at the Officers' club, Florence Field, Sunday. Those present were: Colonel and Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Strong, Captain and Mrs. S. R. Pierrepont, and Miss Lynn Curtis.

The officers of Florence Field are entertaining a dinner-dance at the Officers' club Thursday evening. Among those invited from Fort Omaha were: Colonel and Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest and Major and Mrs. R. T. Crawford.

The officers' wives of Fort Omaha, Fort Crook and Florence Field are entertaining most informally at a luncheon Tuesday at the University club in honor of Mrs. G. H. Strong, who is the house guest of Colonel and Mrs. Jacob W. S. Wuest. Thirty-five guests were present.

Her many friends will be sorry to learn that Mrs. William L. Sanders has been ill for the past week.

Mrs. F. P. Quick left Saturday for Lincoln, Neb., to join Lieutenant Quick, who is ill in the hospital.

Mrs. R. H. Loomis, who has been ill for the past week, is improving.

Miss Sophia Pieper, army nurse, reported from Minden, La., to Fort Omaha for duty.

Major and Mrs. E. W. Crockett of Fort Omaha entertained Major

and Mrs. R. T. Crawford Wednesday evening.

Lieutenant and Mrs. G. C. Lundberg, Lieutenant and Mrs. William F. Collins, Lieutenant and Mrs. Carl Dedolph, Captain A. M. Whitney, Mrs. Young, Major and Mrs. R. T. Crawford gave a "Dutch treat" Thanksgiving dinner Thursday at the Crawford quarters.

Among the Omaha guests who dined at the Kansas City Country club Saturday evening were: Lieutenant J. S. Reber and Miss Mary Glover of Kansas City and Lieutenants F. W. Gledhill, Shimmion and S. M. Warren.

Mrs. Robert G. Simmons and son will arrive at Fort Crook within the next week to join Lieutenant Simmons.

Captain and Mrs. Charles J. Glidden are now located at Atlanta, Ga. Captain Glidden being District Representative, Personnel Branch, General Staff.

Mrs. Chas. A. Mallory entertained a Taffy Pull at her home last evening; music and recitations were enjoyed by thirty guests.

Word has been received from Mrs. Emerson of Mulberry, Island that the Officers wives are decorating the Hostess House there.

Miss Marion Howe entertained Lieutenant Dean for dinner at the Blackstone Monday evening.

Mrs. O. C. Redick is entertaining a dinner for the opening of the new Athletic Club, December 12th.

Lieutenant Shimmion, Pilot, with Captain J. C. Ayling as passenger made the flight to Kansas City Saturday in 2 hours and 15 minutes. Riley Football Game.

Adolph Fanoni and Carlo Cuinini, Italian instructors, expect to leave very shortly for Washington.

Major Arthur Boettcher, J. M. A., A. S. A. who left Omaha in Command of the 3rd Balloon Squadron, and who was commanding officer of the Army Balloon School at Bordeaux, France, arrived at Fort Omaha Monday morning.

Colonel John D. Carmondy has been transferred to Army Balloon School, Arcadia, California.

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CURRENT EVENTS

Mrs. Albert J. Tucker, wife of Captain Tucker, who is now located at the Army Balloon school, Arcadia, Cal., writes that camp has two mascots—one a little gray kitten named for the weather "Poor Visibility" and the other a much run after puppy dog, called "Commission."

The Red Cross have obtained a large room at the Union depot, which is being all decorated and furnished, and will be used as a rest room, a smaller room adjoining it will be furnished with cots, which will enable delayed soldiers passing through Omaha to rest over night, should the occasion permit.

Word has been received from the Central division of the American Red Cross of Chicago requesting that the information desk and rest

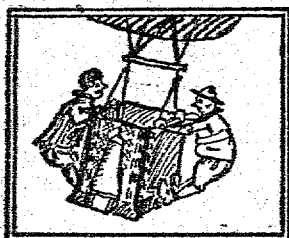
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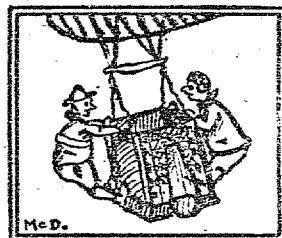
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First Spasm—

I've got a lotta sober thots and thots that ain't so glum, by gum, inspired by the fact, I guess, I'm due fer home sweet home.

I've got a recollection of long days of kitchen P an standin' guard and gittin' out fer that derved revelry.

I've got a hatful, you can bet, of cleanin' out the old gobboon, of easin' off an baggin' down an standin' by a nurse balloon.

CHORUS.

For I'm a buck in the seventy-first, I have freckles and warts an a terrible thirst.

Second Spasm—

I've got a habit I'm goin' to lose of jumpin' like a dorned galoot when'er I hear the whistle toot.

My master's voice, the Second Loot.

Of other things, I got my fill; of sprayin' throats an castor pill, of hoppin' when the bugle calls me to my grind, the daily drill.

I've got a pair o' kailke pants, the seat was built fer elephants; I got a blouse and an Army hat, but the gosh dern brim, it wont stay flat.

CHORUS.

They say that booze is good for flu, I've never had the chance, To try it out, so can not speak, from real experience.

(What'll you have, rain or snow.) To which we add a touch of meller-dramer.

Enter by the left fin, front and center, old man Jobs.

The orchestra plays its one tune, disguised as taps.

I've done most everything they

is since I've been in this camp, I've jockeyed fer a four-wheel drive an cranked 'em till I'd cramp.

I've let 'em up an hauled 'em down until my white an lily hands are warped plum outa shape, by gosh, an calloused hard as iron bands.

I drewed a job at the gas house a heavin' out steel tanks I've drawned lots fer the all night shifts and never pulled a blank.

CHORUS.

Tell it to the sergeant, he'll whistle it to the Loot, who'll sing it to the captain, he'll play it on his flute, Moral, pass the buck.

From there they seht me to the shed, they said I'd have a frolic a patchin' up the ripped balloons, but the glue fumes giv' me colic.

They sent me to the signal core without a moment's wait, where I packed an' shipped to overseas 'bout forty thousand crate.

I've manicured the furnaces, peeled potatoes by the peck, policed the grounds an everything and now I'm tired, by heck.

CHORUS.

Beware the deadly sitting habit, or if you sit, be like the rabbit who sitteth ever on the jump, by springs concealed beneath his rump.

An bein' tired an peace declared, I'll get my discharge soon, an please the Lord, I'll never see an other nurse balloon.

I'll never stand out in the wet and tie a picket hitch, I'll never haul another guy nor sew another stitch,

I'll never lug another tank, nor sling a bag o' sand, for please the Lord, I'm goin' back to plow the happy land.

CONTRIBUTIONS WANTED!

It is a difficult task to prepare a page of real humor every week and we need your help. Stories, jokes and verse that particularly concern Fort Omaha, Florence Field, Fort Crook or army life in general are wanted. Every day produces a humorous situation—make a note of it. All contributions must be in my hands not later than Saturday preceding date of issue. Be sure and sign your name, we want to give you credit for your work.

W. O'NEIL GOODWIN,
Associate Editor Gas Bag, Office
North Barracks.

Around Omaha.

He stood in front of the Henshaw.

His gold bars glistened in the sunshine.

"Are the meals good in there?"

Inquired a buck private.

"I can't say," retorted the officer.

"I eat at Welch's and come here to pick my teeth."

I Thank You.



Sentry — Halt! Who's there!

Sergeant — Sergeant of the guard.

Sentry — Advance enemy.

Advice to a Rookie

Whenever it occurs to you that your company commander or the commanding officer of the post is lonely, just make it a point to call on him and don't wait for an invitation for the poor fellow may be longing for a friendly word.

Private Oblander wired home the other day as follows "Dad: Send me \$10 at once, as I'm on the hog." The reply was: "Ride the hog home; we're out of meat."

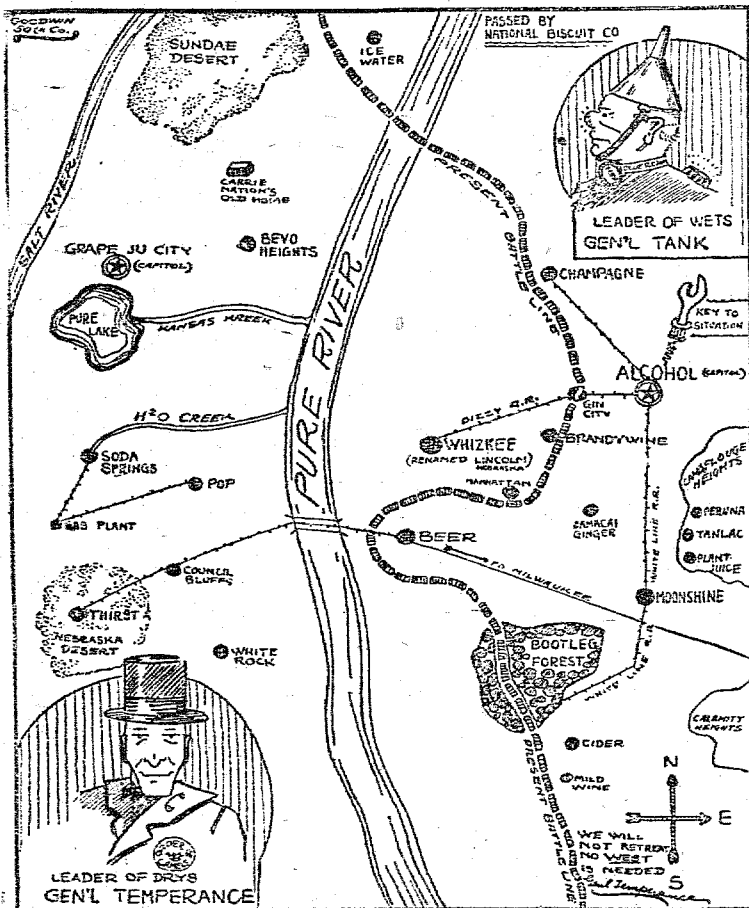
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Bulletin Today.

Dry forces under General Temperance have advanced far into the enemy's country. Strongly fortified Whizkee has been taken and rail communication with capital city Alcohol cut off. Sharp fighting prevails in Bootleg Forest and the dry forces have laid down a heavy barrage on White Line R. R. from Moonshine.

The legions of General Tank plan a series of defenses extending from Camouflage Heights to Calamity Heights where they will make their last stand in an effort to hold Peruna, Tanlac and Plant Juice from the invaders.

It is expected that the so far impregnable fortress of Beer will be outflanked and forced to surrender, a number of its defenders have already deserted by aeroplane and taken up their residence on Bevo Heights.

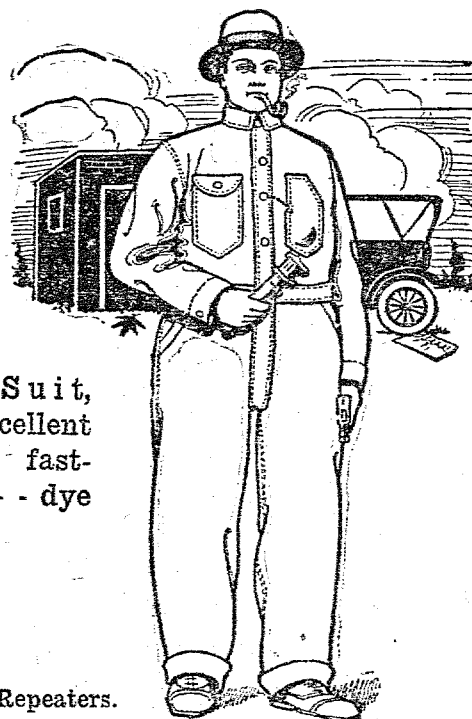
The convention of Chorus Girls in Champagne has disbanded and the Colored Men's Dice society in Gin City has beat a hasty retreat. A bunch of "Hop Heads" and "Snow Birds" have gathered at Jamacai Ginger, but their stay will be short as Beer is doomed to fall and as Jamacai Ginger is not fortified they will be forced back to Camouflage Heights.

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Farewell.

A flea and a fly once met with the flu,

"Let us flee," said the fly,

"Let us fly," said the flea.

So they fled out a flaw in the flue.

A fool shows his folly and knows it not. But a wise guy knows his folly and shows it not.

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 1918.

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

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

Military Courtesy

The other day I saw two men pass headquarters, ignoring a captain who was coming down the steps. The officer called the men back.

"Oh, yes, we're in the army," they declared in answer to his query.

Why did they not salute?—Oh, because they had not seen the captain.

The men lied.

As the captain came down the steps I saw one of them glance toward him, then turn his head quickly away. He did not care to be annoyed with such matters.

There is nothing servile about the military salute. It is a medium of greeting between a host of men. Many times out in no man's land during the past year the precision with which its particular movements are executed saved lives when those saluting might otherwise have been shot down as Huns. Especially was this the case when the hostile forces were so close that speaking was impossible.

There is something splendidly American about this salute of our army. Its precision, the erect position of the body, the snappy manner in which it is executed, virtually spell "Yank."

When you meet an officer to whom you owe this truly American tribute, salute him. And make it snappy. For around it the discipline of the greatest army in history is built.

Discipline, it is said, is the backbone of the army.

Its spinal cord is the Military Salute. And that excuse "I did not see you, sir" is the lamest utterable.

Secretary McAdoo.

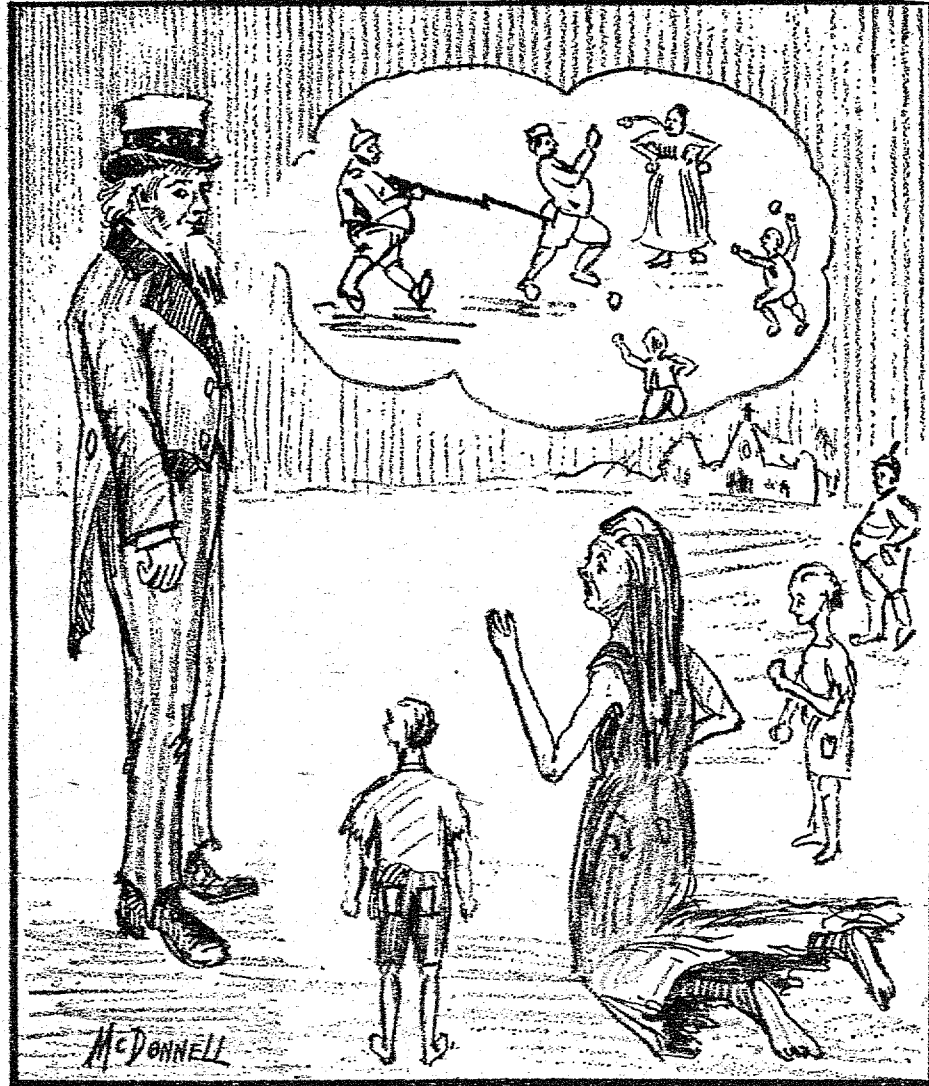
With the retirement of William G. McAdoo from official life will go the good will of every man in olive drab.

As head of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance he proved the man able to send the soldier to France knowing that come what may in his own life those near and dear would be well cared for.

The government insurance project for men in the service is undeniably the greatest and most liberal piece of legislation ever enacted.

When the man who held four of the biggest jobs in the nation steps out an army will be at his back.

THE CHANGE OF TIME



The Passing of the Hun.

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The women folks in Belgium and the women folks in France,
Small smile away their sorrows, and their weary feet shall dance.
All the widows' weeds will glisten in the beauty of the sun
And the troubled hearts grow merry with the passing of the Hun.

The decent folks and gentle, world wide over, shall rejoice;
All the friends of truth and freedom, prayers of gratitude shall
voice;
Joy shall fill the earth with laughter when this bitter war is done
And the heavens shall ring with music with the passing of the
Hun.

There shall be no man to mourn him, save the base of heart and
vile—
None to deck his bier with roses nor recall him with a smile.
But the kind folks and the true folks, when at last the victory's
won,
Shall thank God for their deliverance with the passing of the
Hun.

Edgar A. Guest.

THE NEW THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving!

A day that was observed this year in every American home and heart with an entirely new conception of its meaning and inspiration.

The annual custom, a bequest from the Pilgrims who founded it in all sincerity and faith, had become a day for feasting and celebration, rather than thanksgiving and prayer.

A new significance has been given the day by the dawn of the sun of peace upon the horizon of the world.

The old Thanksgiving was confined to America.

The new Thanksgiving is the first all-world Thanksgiving.

The day was in commemoration of the coming of PEACE and FREEDOM to the people of a single nation.

The new day will perpetuate the celebration of the coming of PEACE and FREEDOM to ALL people of ALL nations.

The birthday of the triumph of Democracy and Liberty over Autocracy and Militarism.

The hearts of all honest people will henceforth be filled with devout gratitude upon this anniversary.

OBSERVATIONS

BY THE EDITOR

IF

ALL had

JOINED

THE army

BACK in

THE SPRING

OF "17" that

TODAY desire

TO solve the

DESTINY of the

NATION over there

AT the peace conference

WHAT a difference there would be

IN the nation's debit column today.

* * *

To some a cigaret on the lip seems an indispensable part of the military salute.

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With so much ignorance shown in the mess halls we wonder how the "M. P." force remains so small.

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"Congress," says an Associated Press dispatch, "will be asked to give each man discharged from the army a bonus of one month's pay." We wonder if that means minus allotments.

* * *

Speak the name of your department when you answer that telephone call instead of bawling "Hello."

* * *

Following discharge from the service each man will be allowed to wear his uniform for three months. We have seen the farmerette, the usherette, etc. Now it will be O. D. clerks, O. D. lawyers, O. D. farmers and O. D. waiters, and so on.

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Speaking of waiters we have more than two million professionals.

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Shop early for Christmas.

* * *

This year the shortage of labor demands it more than ever before.

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What we have to be thankful for—that the mistake on the pay roll was not a bigger one.

* * *

She was in a downtown department store. She wanted to buy stockings for the baby. So she asked for the Infant Department. The girl behind the counter was real clever. Reaching over the counter she whispered in my ear, "I suppose if she was looking for some paintings or a statue, she'd ask for the Artillery."

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Back in the good old "nineties" it may have been so that God helped those who helped themselves. But take it from me, Al, there are birds around this post that are taking no one into their confidence, nights, when they go out self helping.

* * *

Tom Lowney, formerly of the San Francisco Examiner, now of the Camp John Wise Balloon Pilot, evidently has much confidence in the surety of the expansion of matter in the aeriform state. Writing for that camp paper he says:

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