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Oh, see the pretty Ath-a-letes a-running thru the snow. Where ARE they going in their B. V. D.'s? They may be headed for Ward 15, in the Base Hospital, where they take squirrel-bitten gentlemen. German propagandists have spread the malicious report that the American cuckoo crop is exhausted, but any one who has lamped a covey of camp Marathoners operating their ambitious ankles in the snow drifts knows that we have plenty of cuckoos right here in camp.
The Horrible After-Effects of Army Life

How the Dire Results of the Routine and Discipline Almost Wrecked the Home of Private McBuggs

I.

Private McBuggs swung off the train with his suitcase in his hand. Stealthily he looked up and down the platform.

It was late at night.

Private McBuggs hadn't notified his family of his home-coming. The effects of army life were still so deep in his soul that he at once began to plan to slip into the house without being seen.

He sneaked up a side street.

"Can I get by the guards?" he asked himself.

He went up the little lane through the back way, past the barn. He remembered the barn all right. That was the spot where his father first applied home discipline to him, although, to be sure, the barn itself wasn't the exact physiological spot of the application.

In Through a Window.

Climbing through a window, Private McBuggs found nobody asleep in the house. He forgot that the house was only an old residence in which lived his mother, father, sister, brother, and Aunt Myra, a maiden lady much given to music and mustard plasters.

He crept upstairs. "I won't let the corporal get anything on me."

In his bedroom he found a big white bed. It was just as he had left it. He stared at it curiously. "I wonder what that's for!"

He prepared to bunk on it for the night anyway. A moment later he must have thought he was a sergeant, for he took his pocket flashlight and started along the corridor of bedrooms.

"I gotta take check roll-call," he muttered, opening the door to Aunt Myra's room.

He bent over the bed and took hold of it, excitedly and his father at the telephone:

"Gee!" McBuggs dived into bed. "I'd better be low. They're calling out the guard."

II.

Private McBuggs woke early the next morning—at six o'clock, to be exact. He fancied that he heard dying out the last notes of reveille. He jumped out of bed and, tightening his belt, ran out to the street, still gray before dawn.

In front of his house he fell into alignment with the street car tracks and stood at attention. Strange! He saw no officer but out, yet, except the captain, who as a matter of fact was the cop on the beat, looking at him queerly.

"You can't be after takin' a car on this line, can you?"

McBuggs saluted him.

"Sir, the company is formed."

"Go on, ye h'athen, the company wint into bankruptcy last August."

McBuggs saluted again and went back to his room. He washed in a tumbler of water he found in the hall and wiped his face on the bedstead. Then he went to mess.

In the dining room he found the other members of the family.

He Meets His Family.

They stared at him dumbfounded, and then pounced upon him. He received their greetings as in a daze. "Well, sonnie," said his father finally, "let's sit down and eat breakfast."

"Hey! Get back there! The mess line forms behind me. Whaddya trying to do—slip somethin' over me?"

The family looked at him aghast. They managed to get through breakfast, however. Then Private McBuggs took up his dishes and started for the kitchen.

"Where in hell's the hot water? Who's on kitchen to-day?"

Nora, the cook, dropped a plate in the excitement.

"Come on, you rummies!" cried McBuggs.

"Let's go back and get the place ready for inspection."

He went to his room and began laying out everything on the bed. His sister came to the door, amazed.

"Go out and police the street," he told her. "Get all those cigarette butts in front of the door, and hurry up. Shake a leg!"

III.

The family was assembled in the parlor, discussing the strange case of their soldier boy.

"Jim says such irrational things," complained his mother. "Do you suppose his mind has become unsettled from camp life? He just passed my door as I was lying down, and he told me to 'cut out that bunk fatigue.' What in the world does it all mean?"

"I give it up," replied Mr. McBuggs, pacing the floor anxiously. "He told me to go out and get busy on the Incinerator. He must have forgotten that our car is a Ford."

"Well, I guess we'd better—s-s-s'h, here comes Jim now!"

He Seems to Get Worse.

Private McBuggs stood in the doorway. His voice was loud and firm.

"This squad's going on guard tonight, and I don't want any o' you boys reporting for guard mount with dirty guns or equipment. Don't you know how to stand at attention yet?" This to his father who was fidgeting from one foot to the other. "Keep those hands at your side. Quit scratchin' your nose! You'll poke your eye out."

He turned around and strode out. A death-like silence fell upon the group. Aunt Myra began to weep. Nobody moved. Only the fuzzy little dog, Hortense, the pride of Mrs. McBuggs' heart, seemed not to realize the awful crisis that hung over the household. Hortense wagged her tail as usual.

IV.

Later in the afternoon Private McBuggs blew a blast on his whistle and summoned the family to assembly on the veranda.

"Comp'yne, a-ten . . . hum!"

As he gave the order his mother and father and aunt and sister stood up as erect as they could; yet they were seized with fear and trembling.

"I have decided," announced Private McBuggs, "to pitch pup tents on the tennis court."

"Matter? Didn't you hear what Jim said? He said he'd 'pitch pup Tense on the tennis court.' Oh, what a brute my son has become!"

V.

It was not until evening that peace settled over the household. And that was only brought about by Mr. McBuggs commanding his son to go to sleep in the bath-tub full of water. Then Private McBuggs felt perfectly at home.

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VICE IN SPARTANBURG.

The time has come to tell the truth about vice in Spartanburg. The truth has been suppressed too long enough. The people back home have a right to know. Congress has a right to know. The editors of this paper may be sent to Fort Leavenworth for telling it. But if they can shock the world into a realization of what conditions really are here, they will undergo the martyrdom willingly.

Vice stalks abroad in Spartanburg. It leers at one on East Main street. It raises its hideous head in the very shadow of Converse College. It peers evilly from doorways in Magnolia street.

We will be specific. We will take up vice in Spartanburg, vice by vice, and vice versa.

First, perhaps the most insidious vice the soldier has to guard against is the round hair-cut, also known as the neck-shave. It is undoubtedly a part of the German propaganda. Half the barbers in Spartanburg are in league with the Kaiser to denude the necks of the 27th Division of the foliage nature meant to grow there. Unless you take your hair-cut, in a military manner, keeping always on the alert, some Carolina Bobo will operate a mean razor and expose five inches of your red neck to the chill breezes.

Gas Attack spies have discovered that by this method some 54,755 square inches of military neck have been laid bare to the gaze of all Spartanburg. This, of course, necessitates a great expenditure of soap and water. The hand of the wily Hun is apparent.

Second, the gilded cafes (pronounced to rhyme with "safes") lure the soldier from the straight and narrow path, to wit, East Main street. In these cafes the benevolent sundaes claims victim after victim. And there are worse things. Many a young man has come pure from his home in Flatbush only to be corrupted by "Pineapple Temptations," "Marshmallow Delights" and "Loganberry Liasions"? A young man, coming straight from the rarefied atmosphere of Avenue A, has dallied on the primrose path of waffles and wheat cakes, until he was befuddled. The deadly waffle (pronounced—"wawfull") is one of the curses of modern civilization, especially when it is underdone. Yet waffles are served openly and shamelessly to our soldiers! Should this state of affairs not bring a blush to the cheek of every Carolina Bobo?

What can the young soldier do? He comes into town flush with wealth, weighed down with his salary (three silver dollars). He wants to have his fling. If he comes in on one of the jitneys he probably gets it. If he comes in on the P. & N. he probably gets to town in time to start back.

But if he does get there, the bright lights of East Main street get him. A few rounds of waffles, a nut sundae or two and he reels out into the gay-lamped boulevards, so overcome that he salutes half a dozen Wofford majors and a hotel bellhop, before he winds up in the movies. Yes, there are movies, too. Think of it! And the authorities seem powerless to do anything. The night life of Spartanburg gets its grip on the young soldier. At least once a month he debouches on the town to debauch. Money flows like water. The Gas Attack spies have figured out that the average wild night on the gay black and white way of Spartanburg, costs as follows:

Taxi to town, $2.5; liniment for bruises, $0.10; washes hands at Cleveland, $0.05; tips Wofford Major by witness, $0.5; waffle, $0.20; one Parisian Pineapple Flirtation Sundae, consisting of one small lump of pallid ice cream, one chunk of pineapple, two dabs of whipped cream, some mysterious fluid, probably molasses, or the stuff they put on fly-paper, and a few ground up nuts (including the shells), $1.15; another waffle, $0.20; one Parisian Pineapple Flirtation Sundae, consisting of one small lump of pallid ice cream, one chunk of pineapple, two dabs of whipped cream, some mysterious fluid, probably molasses, or the stuff they put on fly-paper, and a few ground up nuts (including the shells), $1.15; another waffle, $0.20; three souvenir post-cards (Moonlight in Morgan Square, dainties eating watermelon, and scene in cotton fields), $0.05; another waffle, $0.20; movies, $0.22; another waffle, $0.20; bottle of Pluto water, $0.15; home on the P. & N. by 9:33, $0.10. Grand total, $1.87.

This is where the soldier's money is going. This isn't an occasional occurrence, either. It happens as often as twice a month, with some of our weaker brethren. Something must be done about it! —R. E. C.
A SOLDIER'S LETTER TO HIS SWEETHEART.

Pom de mon ole:

You say that like ole yow in Yiddish. It means apple of my eye. I never saw an apple in nobodys eye. Mable, but I guess that's some French custom.

Great news, Mable. A fello whats got a friend in the audience department in Washington just told me the wars going to end about the 15th of Feb. Dont say nothin to nobody about it. It might look as if I was gettin mixed up in politics. I put in for a furlow on the 5th tho. Then I wont have to come back, eh Mable? Ill bet your glad. Its great to think of gettin into a place where you cant see through the walls and where ain't three inches of mud on the floor. An think of not havin to tie the doors together when you come in or crawl underneath on your hands and knees and not havin to put everything you own in the world under the bed. But I guess you dont care as much about these things as I will.

This would be a good training camp for artik explorers. I bet the fellas that picks out the camps either owns a cold storage plant in civil life or else they do it by mail order. It got so cold the other night the sliver in the thermomater disappeared. Its been seen since.

We got a comical guy in the tent. Bill Brogginas. Me an hims a pairs. Keep everybody laffin all the time. Bill likes things hot about as well as me. Every nite he fills the Sibby stove so full of wood that he has to hammer the last piece in. It gets so hot that it jumps up and down like a mad monkey. Thats the way Siblys do when they get awful hot. Were not bothered by that much though.

We got another guy thats a fresh air friend. His name is Angus McKenzie. He's Scotch. Hes so close himself that he has to have lots of air or he'd smother. Every night he puts up the side of the tent by his bed. No one likes fresh air in its place better than me, Mable, but when its as fresh as this air its place is outside.

I wake up in the night rolled into a ball like a porkypine. Thes things in the middle of my back like his stickers. If I dont move I get cramps. If I do, I freeze. All around the place where Im lyin is as warm as a park bench in winter. Sometimes I forget and push my feet down. Thats awful.

One night I thought I heard the horn and stuck my head out of the blankets. It was Angus with his head and one arm outside snordin. Can you beat that. I bet he swims in the ice all winter home and has his picture in the Sunday paper. I froze my ear before I could get my head back. That was the kind of a fello he is.

Its awful cold in the morning. They blow three calls. The first is just for the slow guys. I can make it nice from the march if I dont take too many close off. Thats no tentashun. One guy jumps up just before assembly and makes a lot of fuss like hes gettin dressed. He dont fool nobody. The only thing he takes off at night is his hat. Some says that falls off when he gets into bed.

Angus gets up every mornin in his BVDs. I think his skin is furlined. You can hear him smashin the ice in the pail with a hair brush outside. Then you can tell hes washin by the noise he makes like a busted steam pipe. Then he comes smashing into the tent leavin the door open and wipes the ice off his face with somebody elses towel an say gosh that great. I hate that kind of a fello.

Bill Brogginas cleaned the stove with his towel last week so everything would be neat for inspection. Angus got hold of it in the dark next mornin. Gee, youd haft laft, Mable.

I got the little tin morror you sent, Mable. Its unbreakable all right. Bill Brogginas got so mad at it he tried to break it and couldn't. The first time I looked in it I got an awful start. I thought I was starvin. I looked like one of them pictures of hungry Indins that the mishunaries show you just before they pass the plate. Bill Brogginas swiped it later and says why didnt somebody tell him he was gettin so fat cause he couldnt go home on a furlo like that. He didnt eat nothin for three meals and then he looked at himself with the mirror turned the other way. Its like one of those Coney Island places where a fello can go in and laf at himself for a dine. Next time send me one that will break.

I got to quit now and buy a couple of pies before I go to bed. I dont sleep good less I have a little somethin on my stummick. Dont say nothin about what I told you before I go to bed. Ill bet your glad. We are now waiting for the spring to dry up the roads so that we can sweep up the Fords.

I walked into a Chinese laundry. It seemed to be the easiest way of getting in. He stood behind a little cage, evidently a protection against violence. He was scratching both elbows at the same time. I summoned up my best Chinese. "Very dirty washer. How longee take? Two weekees?" He stopped scratching long enough to stare at me. "I will endeavor to have it for you when you come back, sir, but you know that the shortage of colored labor hampers our efficiency considerably." Whereupon he handed me the cover of a package of firecrackers and I left the shop.

We are now waiting for the spring to dry up the roads so that we can sweep up the Fords.

Dear Ma:

Pipes all froze again. Never mind sendin that soap. Send down a couple of good erasers instead.

Yours,

Willie.

"Thats me all over," said Bill as the shell hit him.

Half the world are squirrels and the other half are—soldiers.

Hoover has set the style with his WHEATLESS DAYS and his MEATLESS DAYS. And in South Carolina they have HEATLESS DAYS. Also, in the army we have SHEETLESS DAYS. Why not a few DRILL-LESS DAYS? Or FATIGUELESS DAYS? Or NON-COMLESS DAYS?

Said the mess orderly at the headquarters officers' mess. "Say, cook, this plate of beans is O. K."

"Howzat?" asked the cook, testing the cocoas warmth with his thumb.

"Because it was just passed by the censor!"

(N. R.—Pity the poor GAS ATTACK editors. They get jokes like this every day. If they dont run them, the author, who is usually a six foot-two top sergeant, comes around and wants to know why.)
"We're getting out a Nut Number," said the editor of The Gas Attack, "and it's about time you wrote something for us."

"Oh, yes!" I said, with sarcastic significance. Not even an editor can fool me. A moment or two of thought and silence followed.

"But what shall I write?" I asked. "Oh! Anything at all will do, so long as it's nutty," he answered.

"I got you, Kernel," I replied, just like that—and straightforward I sat down to a typewriter.

I placed my fingers upon the keyboard and simulated thought. No ideas erupted.

"Something," I said, "is the matter with this typewriter. It won't work. A nut is loose, or something."

"So I have noticed," said the editor.

But I said nothing, and continued to think. Finally I hit it. I recalled a true but unimportant story about three soldiers who had been bayoneted by Lucifer J. Cupid and had, consequently, gone out of their minds. My friend, Frank, told me the story last summer at Brighton Beach.

Women to Blame.

Frank had made the statement that women are the cause of most of the trouble in this little old world, and a little lady in the party resented it.

"At ease," said Frank, "give me your attention."

"A few years ago," he began, "I had occasion to inspect an insane asylum with a famous alienist. In the course of my inspection I encountered an inmate who spoke rationally, thought logically and, altogether, conducted himself in a military manner. Despite this I thought he was sane and told Dr. Whoozis so."

"'Ask him a question,' said the doctor. And I did. I asked him how long he had been in the National Guard. He told me. There was nothing in this to indicate that his service in the N. G. had affected his mind, even though he had been made a corporal several months before he was confined to the asylum."

"'Have you ever written sports for a New York paper?' I asked him. He answered in the negative."

"'Have you ever had any sudden sorrow?—a sorrow which might affect your mind?' "No, never,' he replied. 'I'm sane.'"

"I asked him if he had ever suffered an overwhelming financial reversal; I asked him a number of other questions, and to each of these he answered logically. "'Here,' I thought, 'is a bird who really is sane.' I could think of but one more question and I put it to him. "'Have you ever been in love?' I asked. "'WOW! WOW! WOF! WOF!' And the inmate rose on his haunches and barreled like a mad dog.

"I walked away, satisfied that Dr. Whoozis was right."

"'We paused before another padded cell, further on. In it was an old private of the regular army who had seen service in the Philippines."

"'There,' said Dr. Whoozis, 'is a sad case. That man was engaged to a girl whom he had known since childhood. On the day set for their marriage the girl eloped and married a supply sergeant.'"

"'There was something appealing and pathetic in the man's helplessness. It was hard to look upon him, so we walked away."

"'We came to another cell, at the end of the tier. In it was another army man. He lay flat on his back, on a mattress in the center of the cell. Steel chains were tied to his ankles and wrists so that he could not move in any direction. His face was livid with madness and the muscles of his neck bulged."

"'What,' I asked Dr. Whoozis, 'is the story attached to that man?'"

"'Oh, that man?—THAT MAN IS THE SUPPLY SERGEANT WHO MARRIED THE GIRL THE FELLOW DOWN THE LINE WAS TO HAVE MARRIED.' "

BLAZE IN BLIGHTY VILLA.

"Blighty Villa," in the lair of the Headquarters Troop, where the British N. C. O.'s reside, was the scene of a brisk blaze last week. The Britishers had been under fire, before, however, so they were not much flustered. Sergeant-Major Tector roared out an alarm. Sergeant Gray, in lieu of water, hurled buckets of snow on the blaze. The fire was finally extinguished with the aid of Private Thornhill's silk pajamas, which were damaged in the operation.

CAPTAIN STOCKBRIDGE LOSES PETE.

The Pioneers have lost Pete. Rather, Capt. Morton Stockbridge, adjutant of the 53d Pioneer Infantry, has lost him. Pete was a 54-inch bull snake, captured by the Pioneers in the wilds of Virginia, when they were on guard up there. The Carolina climate was too much for Pete. He contracted a bad case of eppizooty, which tied him in bow-knots. Capt. Stockbridge found Pete bent into a pretzel-shape, and quite defunct. Pete was buried with military honors. Eight little soldiers, Living in a tent; They all went away from here, And this is how they went:

Six little soldiers, Very much alive. One slept at reveille, And that left five.

Five little soldiers, Made the Sibley roar. One of 'em froze to death, And that left four.

Four little soldiers, Out upon a spree. The M. P.'s got one, And that left three.

Three little soldiers, Feeling very blue. One went to ward 15, And that left two.

Two little soldiers, Wishing for some fun. One took seconds on the stew, And that left one.

One little soldier, Living all alone. He took the P. and N.— And that left none.


DISTINGUISHED VISITORS HERE.

Assistant Secretary of War and Chief of Staff of U. S. Army at Camp Wadsworth.

Camp Wadsworth was honored by a visit from Hon. Benedict Crowell, Assistant Secretary of War, and Major General John Biddle, acting chief of staff of the United States Army, January 16th. They were shown about the camp by Major General John F. O'Ryan. In the morning they reviewed the 107th Infantry, which made a splendid showing.
VIII. On the Night of His Wild Adventure in Paris After the War

To the Editor:

I have an idea that my stay in Paris will be a pleasant one. I shall be disappointed if it isn't. I said as much the other evening, sitting in my tent talking with Jim Mugrums. But he, alas, can't appreciate these things, uncouth soldier that he is. He has never had the benefits of a society bringing-up.

"Are you going to be a nut all your life?" he cried.

I took no notice of this uncultured remark. I went ahead, enlarging on my idea of the part I shall play in the great war—

Ethelburt Jellyback, Private, the scion of a great family.

Ethelburt's Dress Parade.

I will reach France, that pretty land of romance, just as the war ends. Of course, my regiment will be with me. We will arrive, fortunately, too late to enter the trenches under fire. We will walk through them, as a matter of curiosity and to gather souvenirs of our service abroad.

We will be in time, however, to engage in a triumphal pursuit of the Germans, fleeing towards Berlin with confusion and the Kaiser. Then, turning about with victory on our banners, we will march back to Paris on parade. I have an especial, neatly-pressed uniform in my trunk in readiness for it. I hope it doesn't get spotted.

From curb and window and house-top the French people cheer us; the women will throw us garlands, and in our path the children will strew flowers. I prefer daffodils. They're so full of sunshine.

Ethelburt on Detached Service.

My Captain will say to me: "Private Jellyback, the war is over. To-day our regiment returns to the United States. You have asked me for permission to remain behind, to look around a bit. I know you for a cosmopolite, a man of the world. Hence I readily grant you this permission, and assign you to detached service in Paris."

"Private Jellyback thanks you, sir," I will answer. "It has been a matter of honor to do my bit."

And that evening, while all Paris is gay with victory and the bands are playing in the Tuileries, I shall stroll down the brilliantly-lighted Avenue de l'Opera—or, mayhap, the Champs Elysees—in search of adventure. Ah, adventure! How my heart pounds at the sound of the word. (I have always harbored within me a reckless, devil-may-care spirit. Debonair, the French would call me.)

Along the Boulevard He Will Go.

Twirling my cane and the glistening ends of my mustache, I shall make my way through the passing crowds to one of those delightful little sidewalk cafes. People will turn and stare at me, at once recognizing me as one of Uncle Sam's gallant warriors. Into a chair under the striped awning, where the lights of the happy-lanterned boulevard dance on the marble table tops, I shall drop, and with a carefree gesture summon a waiter. The waiter, walking his post on the alert, observing every tip that takes place within sight or reach, will hurry to my side.

"A bottle of wine, s'il vous plait, garcon?"

"Certainement, monsieur le Capitaine; toute de suite." (Of course, I may not be a captain then, but the waiter will probably think I am.)

Enter, the Woman!

As the waiter sets the wine before me, I will catch from nearby tables admiring remarks directed at me. People will turn and stare at me, at once recognizing me as one of Uncle Sam's gallant warriors. Into a chair under the striped awning, where the lights of the happy-lanterned boulevard dance on the marble table tops, I shall drop, and with a carefree gesture summon a waiter. The waiter, walking his post on the alert, observing every tip that takes

"She will lift her curving lips close to mine."
THE DREAM OF THE EDITORS

We, the editors, came walking past Division Headquarters towards the building in which The Gas Attack has its editorial sanctum. We saw a long line of officers waiting outside. They were all commissioned officers.

"What's the excitement?" we asked a bystander. "Are they giving away promotions?"

"No. The officers are waiting their turn to get into The Gas Attack office to see the editors. They've all got contributions they want to submit."

"Well, well," we murmured casually. "They'll have to wait their turn."

We went into our office, rolled up our sleeves, and shouted to the waiting line.

First, a Lieutenant.

"Now you can come in. Who's first? Oh, it's you, is it, Lieutenant? Let's see, you have here an article on trenches for us. H'm. It's neatly typed, and fairly well written, but you lack the punch. More short sentences, straight to the point. And you don't seem to have handled your subject as well as we've been accustomed to having these things done. Now here's an article by Private Jones. Look at that as a contrast. It's better in every way. If you officers could only learn to write as well as some of these privates do, we would print more of your stuff. Sorry, Lieutenant, but we can't use this article of yours. How about it?"

Next, a Captain.

"Good afternoon, Captain! You don't mind standing, do you? There's only room for one of us to sit at a time. Just let me glance over your contribution and I'll tell you in a moment whether or not we can use it. It seems to deal with the relation of artillery and infantry. That's a good subject, and we'd like to print more articles on topics of that nature. But, Captain, you've gone at it entirely wrong. You begin with a long-winded introduction that takes up most of your article, and you don't seem to have handled your subject as well as we've been accustomed to having these things done. Now here's an article by Private Jones. Look at that as a contrast. It's better in every way. If you officers could only learn to write as well as some of these privates do, we would print more of your stuff. Sorry, Lieutenant, but we can't use this article of yours. How about it?"

Then, a Captain.

"Come in, Major. What are you holding in your hand? A poem, eh? Stand at ease a minute, Major, and I'll look it over. H'm. That rhyme in the fourth line is atrocious! And here in the second stanza your meter goes all to pieces. Now, Major, it's my un-
pleasant duty to tell you that you'll never get on as a poet. We've got no less than forty-seven privates who are turning out better verse than this every day. In fact, we get more verse than we can use. What we want is prose. Try some of that and see if you can't turn out something worth while. Good-bye, Major."

We got up and went to the door, from which the long line of officers still stretched a quarter of a mile away.

"Sorry, but we can't see any more of you to-day. Call to-morrow, or send in your stuff by mail. We've got to put our feet on the desk and sleep the rest of the afternoon."

THE GIRL FROM YOUR OLD HOME TOWN.

I was born somewhere in Heaven,
On a street that they call Broadway,
But the wisest fall for the eagle's call—
So I signed my life away,
It made me mighty sorry, Bud,
To leave my I'll old home,
For you're wise to the sights and the terrible cries
Of a New Yorker that has to roam.

But when they said you'll spend the Winter
In the balmy, Sunny South,
I thought of Irving Berlin and his barrels of tin,
And his songs in everyone's mouth,
Of wonderful, dear Dixie,
And I wasn't so sad, in fact I was glad
For it looked like a Palm Beach spree.

A-living in a refrigerator,
A-singing a snow bird's song,
What's that? Magnolias and cotton?—
You'll be as rich as the King of Sicily,
If you really had to write something,
If you had to put choruses down,
Why not sing of the one good thing:
The girl from my own home town.

She's made the same old camp-fire
Look like the lights of Broadway,
And her New York pep and her big town step
Just brushes all the South away;
For she made the drab-colored gloomy tent
Seem just like a cabaret,
And the cracking sound of the frost on the ground
Was a tune a jazz band might play.

So Buddy, take this message
From a boy who is far away,
To the man who rhymes about foreign climes—
Oh, don't forget Broadway!

PVT. IRA D. BRALL,
CO. D. 102d Engs.

WADSWORTH FABLES

Fable of the Boy Who Parted His Hair in the Middle.

(With apologies to Geo. Ade.)

By Private Howard A. Herty, Co. A, Military Police, Camp Wadsworth, Spartanburg, S. C.

Artemus Perwinkle was a Goof. In other words he wore Tortoise-shelled Specs and liked the Smell of Sachet. He also wore a Size thirteen Collar. His favorite Head-piece was a Yellow and Black Half-Hat and to match his Buster Brown collar, he sported a Screaming red Bow-tie resembling a Nosebleed.

Long after he acquired the right to wear garters on his biceps, Nursie would safely lead him by the Hand across the Tracks to School.

After school was over, he'd Sit on Teacher's lap, and they'd eat the Fruit he brought in the morning. When he brought his Teacher an Apple, she Kissed him. He never brought Watermelons.

Artie grew up to be a Cicero Hound. When the Low Bros of the Community would be Strangling themselves in a Playful game of Football, our Gentle Hero would be cultivating Callouses on his Inverted nose, reading "The Development of Art During the Renaissance."

As a Mixer, Artie was a Flivver, but as a Patrician, he was There to the Steeeth Power.

As he grew up, he became Worse. He hated Girls but was very fond of Old Ladies and Embroidery. To ask Artie about Fulton's chances against Willard or Joe Jackson's best batting Average would be a Wanton Waste of Breath. As a Human Being, he Sinned and Fell short, but to hear him Strum a Ukulele or discuss "The Nothingness of Zero" was an Education.

His idea of Extreme Dissipation would be to leave the House without Rubbers or carry a Forbidden box of Matches.

Most of the Regular Guys about Town were undecided as to whether to embrace him or Kick him. He was queer and almost as Unpopular as a Top Sergeant.

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They had him in Khalid, Somewhere in France. The door had been left open and Artie had been Caught in the Draft. The Hun had been Operating a Mean Stampede over Helpless Belgium when Uncle Sam peeled off his Coat. Uncle Sammie thoroughly spanked the Boches and among those to Return Home was Artie.

He had so many Bravery Medals sprinkled over his Chest that he was actually Round-Shouldered. Now he lies on his Back at Night and Rocks himself to Sleep.

MORAL: Even a Pomeranian will growl if you step on his toes.
THE PRIZE NUT.

The Corporal—What happened to you, Bill?

Bill—Aw! I tried to take up a collection for the cook!
THE BALLAD OF MY DEPARTED Moustache.

I had a little moustache once,
No longer than your arm,
I guarded it most carefully
To keep it safe from harm.
I combed it and brushed it,
And I curled it nice and tight,
And I tied it to the bed-post
When I went to bed at night.
I powdered it and braided it
And trimmed it with my shears;
I wrapped it with a yellow string
And hung it around my ears.

It flourished most famously;
It never ceased to grow.
The people came to see, and said,
'Twas better than a show!

One Winter's night I went to bed
'Neath blankets three or four.
My moustache hung out over the bunk,
And down upon the floor.
When reveille sent out its call
Upon the morning air,
I woke to find my moustache bold,
Was frozen, every hair!

I thawed it out most carefully,
With alcohol I tried,
To restore my stricken moustache.
But it sickened, drooped and died.

I took my shears and cut it off,
And solemnly I swore,
I never would attempt to raise
A moustache, any more.

The moral of this story is:
Don't decorate your mouth.
You can not raise a moustache
When you're camping in the South.

A. F. SMITH,
Base Hospital.

FIVE ENLISTED MEN WIN COMMISSIONS.

Five enlisted men in Camp Wadsworth have won commissions as the result of an examination held some time ago.

Sgt. Major Arthur W. Nelson, lst N. Y. Infantry, has been appointed second lieutenant, as the result of a recent examination, and is assigned to the lst Pioneer Infantry.

Private Gordon V. Parker, 102d Trains and Military Police, has been appointed second lieutenant as the result of a recent examination, and is assigned to his old organization.

Private Raymond McLeer, Headquarters Company, 104th Machine Gun Battalion, has been appointed second lieutenant as the result of a recent examination, and is assigned to that battalion.

Sergt. Harold L. Downey, 105th Machine Gun Battalion, has been appointed second lieutenant as the result of a recent examination, and is assigned to that battalion.

Sergt. George Matthews, Jr., Company B, 105th Machine Gun Battalion, is appointed second lieutenant, as the result of a recent examination, and assigned to that battalion.

Major Mitchell Now.

Ex-Mayor Mitchell, formerly mayor of New York, has been offered and has accepted a commission of major in the aviation corps. He will probably go to an aviation school at San Diego.

COUNTRY BOYS NOT PHYSICALLY SUPERIOR TO CITY COUSINS.

The Provost Marshal General's office authorizes the following:

The common belief that the average of physical soundness is higher among country boys than among the city bred is not supported by the records of the selective draft.

Tests Made in Ten States.

For the purpose of comparison, selection was made of a typical set of cities of 40,000 to 500,000 population, with no large immigrant element, and distributed over ten different States (Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, New York, and South Carolina), and a corresponding set of counties of the same total size located in the same States and containing no city of 50,000 population. The total number of registrants in the two sets of areas was 315,000.

Results of Comparison.

The comparison resulted as follows: Of 55,017 registrants in urban areas, 9,869 were rejected. Of 44,462 registrants in rural areas, 12,432 were rejected. In other words, 28.47 per cent of the city boys were rejected as against 27.56 per cent of the country boys.

It will be seen that the result is virtually a tie. The country lad, accustomed to hard physical labor, may be more muscular than his city cousin, but he is not superior in the possession of the degree of physical soundness essential to his acceptance as a soldier.

WHAT ATTRACTED THEM THITHER?

Here is a real squirrel story for the nut number. During a storm last week a dozen squirrels invaded the bungalow-tent of Major Allan Reagan and Captain George Chase of the 53d Pioneer Infantry, ate up everything in sight, and were only dispersed when the guard was called out. Several members of the regiment are now suffering from severe squirrel-bites.

TO THE SIBLEY STOVE.

TO CORNELL MEN.

The Secretary of Cornell University wants to get a register of all Cornell men in camp. Send your name and company address to L. C. Bareham, care of the Army Y. M. C. A.
THE WADSWORTH GAS ATTACK AND RIO GRANDE RATTLER

SOME NUTS WE WILL HAVE TO CRACK.

The Clown Prince and his Staff, posed specially for the Gas Attack. They are wearing the famous uniform of the Bonehead Hussars. Reading from left to right they are Count Meout, His Imperial Stupidity, Baron of Ideas, and Count Coco Von Nutz. Reading from right to left they are Count Coco Von Nutz, Baron of Ideas, His Imperial Stupidity and Count Meout.

AN ACCOMPLISHED PAIR.

A private of a well-known regiment, who was always wanting leave on some excuse or other, applied at the orderly room and asked his commanding officer if he might have a few days' leave, as his wife was ill, and had sent him a letter asking him to come at once.

But his commanding officer, getting tired of him always wanting leave, said: "This is strange. Private Cheek, as only this morning I received a letter from your wife saying she did not want you to see her any more, so hoped I would not grant you leave."

Private Cheek—"Then I suppose I can't have leave, sir?"

Commanding Officer—"No, you can not."

Private Cheek (turns as he gets to the door)—"Sir, may I compliment you?"

Commanding Officer—"Yes, certainly; on what?"

Private Cheek—"On having two such lovely lasses in the regiment, because I'm not married at all."

TO BE OR NUT TO BE!

When you've bats in your belfry that flatt,
And your comprenez-vous rope is cut,
When there's nobody home,
In the top of your dome,
Then your head's not a head—it's a nut.

(Chorus)

There are belfries whose bats are so flutty,
With walls built so largely of putty,
Where the gloom is so dense,
And the void so immense—
Well, in that case you're not even nutty!

Note—The above poem was sent to us by a nut from Co. B, 104th M. G. Batt., whose initials are C. V. P. We are certain he is a nut because he admitted that the poem was from Anthony Ewer's Limeratology, instead of claiming credit for it himself.

NEW CHAPLAIN HERE.

Chaplain George A. Crimmon, National Guard, (first lieutenant) appointed from civil life, is attached to the new training depot for temporary duty.

We Aren't So Badly Off, At That.

The government pays her fighters $100,000,000 a month. The pay of the navy per month is $17,000,000. No nation pays the soldiers as liberally as does our government and Canada. Our government furnishes the most liberal insurance plan that has ever been offered. No private company has ever offered rates lower than eight times the cost of war insurance issued to our soldiers and sailors.

Carolina Weather in France.

France is experiencing a severe Winter. Recently a severe blizzard covered the Western front and nearly stopped all military activities. Besides the snow storm the roads have been so icy that transportation was greatly hindered.
THE NUT WHO BELIEVED EVERY RUMOR.

I.
I'm in the "cuckoo" ward at last; I'm over at the "Base."
I'm nutty as a squirrel and a smile is on my face.
The many reasons that I'm bugs, although I have no wife,
To pester me, yet I have had its equal.
"Army Life."
I left the lights of old Broadway for Sunny South, I thought
Where you could catch the sunbeams, but a cold was all I caught.
I learned that Spartanburg was dry, which is an awful state
For any city to be in, but I know more of late.

II.
I've been here through the Winter, and I'm willing now to bet,
That you will all agree with me that Spartanburg is wet.
And when the weather grew quite cold is when I learned to cuss;
They promised stoves but all they brought were Sibleys 'round to us,
Another thing that helped to put me where I am to-day,
Is building beautiful canteen, then taking all our pay,
I believed most every rumor, but my head was made of bone,
I made some up and got them mixed, and then believed my own.

III.
I then believed the rumor that top sergeants were no more,
And thought the clerks took canteen checks, down town at any store.
I also saw the rifle range, this helped to drive me nuts,
I saw no cigarettes and yet the fellows called them butts.
I've often watched the donkeys, they're alike, both big and small,
They always make themselves at home 'cause all they do is stall.
Well, now, I am plumb crazy and I'm over at the "Base,"
But, looney as I am, the Kaiser ought to have my place.
—C. P. W.

A JEST FROM CO. G, 105TH INFANTRY.

The following was sent in from Company "G" of the 105th Inf. One of the officers had a colored maid who seemed to be satisfied with her position, and was apparently well pleased with her employers. One day she approached her mistress, saying she was "bout to leave."
"Why?" she was asked.
"Cause," she replied, "Ah can't stan' being drummed to bed every night, and den shot out of it in the morning."

106TH ARTILLERY.

Corp. Bruehn and his helpers in the canteen are still living up to their motto: "The cash register shall not ring tonight."

Chaplain Fornes has got a new Ford. His chauffer, Pat Flynn, has succeeded in running it ten feet on two different occasions.

Sergeant Major Pagan lost 23 cents in a penny ante game the other night and has not been seen since.

How will the band get along without Larry Binkhardt? And the audience answers "Fine."
—H. H. D.

Freight Jam Broken.

During the past week the great freight jam has been broken and most of the cars are on their way. There were over 41,000 cars of freight congested at the seaboard ports. These had to be emptied and moved. Congested centers throughout the country had to be cleared. As a result more than half a million cars have been set in motion.

Liberty Motor Best.

The Liberty motor has proven itself to be the best motor made. It possesses over 400 horse power and will turn the propeller 1,600 times per minute. It weighs 800 pounds and can be used on any type of airplane. Europe will ask for many of them.
South Carolina—As We Expected It and As We Found It

**BREAKING THE HEART OF A COOTIE.**

Company G, 53rd Pioneers, Has a New Way to Kill 'Em Off.

"One of our first endeavors," write the non-coms of Co. G, 53rd Pioneers, "will be to contribute articles to The Gas Attack, of which we think highly." And Co. G, which was formerly Co. G, of the 47th N. Y. Infantry, makes its first endeavor with an account that has to do with cooties, those inelegant little creatures which now and then attach themselves to a soldier in the field.

While in a local hardware store, begin the company's notes, Sergeant McKenna was shown a new type of machine for sterilizing clothing, and of course eliminating "pests." He was obviously quite unimpressed. The salesman asked him whether he did not think the machine a fine one.

"Well enough, perhaps," said he, "but I've got a dodge of my own that is better."

"What's that?"

"Well, wear my shirt two days one way, then they are all inside, see? Turn it inside out, and wear it that way, then they're all outside, aren't they? By the time they've got inside again, I turn it back again, and so I go on and on and at last the marching and countermarching breaks the little devil's hearts and they die."

Cook Loughlin recently blew in from his furlough six days over-due, and when asked for an explanation by Capt. Stockbridge, he remarked: "I was just taking my next furlough on the installment plan."

Sgt. Corboy has ceased to worry about his coming S. C. D. for flat feet, as Cook Loughlin has assured him of a job on a L. I. Duckfarm, teaching little ducks how to walk. We are afraid you'll fail Jim, as you have to know more than a duck to teach him anything.

As the result of something going wrong Supply Sergeant Melloh let out some of his well known profanity, just as one of the Reserve Officers, who was boarding with us for a short time, stepped into his tent. "Sergeant," exclaimed the officer, "cease swearing in this tent, especially while I'm here." Sergeant Melloh, still up in the air, curtly replied, "Sorry, sir, but one of us will have to step outside."

Mechanic Stelling was rejected in our recent examination for a "tin ear." We believe he is faking it, because Sgt. Boldt recently whispered in his ear, "Want a loan of a dollar?" and the result was magnetic.

We would like to have a little more information on the reported elopement of Corp. Funk, our Company "Cluck," and a fair damselle in Spartanburg answering to the name of Helen. Private Cox seems to have the key to the situation, but being naturally dumb no dope can be obtained. What is she doing Charlie, trying to get your allotment? Maybe you made her your beneficiary for that $10,000.00 insurance.

Does anybody know where Sergeant McKenna goes with that mysterious bundle every morning?

While down on furlough, Corp. Murphy met a few of the fellows recently discharged and found them enjoying the following high-salaried positions:

- Ex-Corp. A. C. Schery, distributing pills for Moe Levy;
- Ex-Pvt. Dieneman, First-broom in Hitchcock's beanery;
- Ex-Pvt. "T. B." Lochner, tending bar in Judges;
- Ex-Corp. Leitz, exhibiting boy-scout suits in A. S.'s;
News From Division Units

CO. H, 106TH INFANTRY.

Corporal Matt Murphy has left for the Golden City for 16 days. He looked sad when he left.

Pvt. Cornell says they never miss him when it comes to Guard Duty. Never mind. Fred, you know it's an honor.

Line Sergeant Pearson is now acting as 1st Sergeant, and he's making good, and the boys are right behind him.

Because Walter always was a good skate. Can I have a loan of 2 bits, Walter? We hate to see the "Hum" that will battle against Our 1st Lieut. Brennan in bayonet combat. I'll bet there will be music at the Huna funeral but he won't hear it.

Lieu. Brennan is the bayonet instructor who put up the winning team on New Year's Day against the 107th.

Private Woods, the Ex-Cop, had an argument with Pvt. McCarthy last Thursday evening and wanted to "lock McCarthy up." Wake up Woods, "you're in the army now!"

Lieu. Doyle has returned from a leave of absence and says he is glad to get back, as the weather is much warmer down here.

—A. L. T.

CO. A, 106TH INFANTRY.

Private Sidney Marks, who is taking an active part in the society circles of Spartanburg, was compelled to disappoint a few of Spartanburg's "fairoest" Tuesday in absenting himself from a weekly social, owing to the fact that he acted as host for a few out-of-town visitors, who called on him rather unexpectedly, and are now his guests.

An impromptu entertainment was staged in our Mess Shack Monday night under the auspices of the "Mattewan" Dramatic Society, composed of the following members: Pvt. O'Derly, Cantor, Lewis, and Cronin, under the supervision of Director Huanmah Hall. The offering was a Farce entitled, "Wymb's Beef Stew." It proved to be a big hit, and was enthusiastically received by the audience.

Sergeants Egan, Burdett, Cole, Langhurst, Wheeler and Burr, represent "A" company at the officers training school. They left under the supervision of Director Hasmah Hall. The offering was a Farce entitled, "Back to the Carolina You Love" for ten cents. This cold weather makes us wonder if the boys are right behind him.

First Lieut. Dodds is certainly proud of the fourth platoon, and why shouldn't he be? Why is it that Private Mullins dislikes guard duty?

Sergeant Kerr is right there when it comes to shaking things up.

Bugler Carbonelli is getting to be some wind jammer. Ask McGahan.

Cook Kruger knows we all love soup, we only get it about twice a day.

Private Smith enjoyed his furlough to such an extent that he almost forgot to come back. —A. L. T.

CO. D, 106TH MACHINE GUN BATTALION

The training camp took seven sure-to-be-officers from our midst. We hated to lose them, but our loss is somebody else's gain.

The men picked were: Sergeants R. Fowler, Donald Armstrong, Howard Carpenter, Carl Warworth, Leonard E. Dallas, Corporal Paul H. Davis and Private Henry B. Highton.

Bugler "Horine" Austin got balled up, thinking of what we used to be, and blew stables for "Soopy, Soopy, Soopy." After slanting "Hutch's" noonday offering we concluded "Harrie" wasn't very wrong at that.

"Back to the Carolina You Love" for ten cents. This cold weather makes us wonder where some of those gushing sheet music composers were brought up.

"Moose" Gullfoyle is spending the weekend in Atlanta with friends. No remarks, fellows, "Gillie" met her first.

Private Wayne Cassidy, of Broome County, N. Y., lowed as how this weather made him suspicious of those there city folks who go South for the winter. Never mind. Wayne, milk's gone up to eighteen cents.

—M.

PUBLIC SCHOOL NO. 87.

Former members of Public School No. 87 will please forward their names and addresses to: Sergeant J. J. Hoffman, Co. "B", Officer's Training Camp, Camp Wadsworth.

CO. C, 107TH INFANTRY.

On Jan. 11, 1918, we departed from the company street in a grand shower of mud, to embark once more upon the great adventure of "Regimental Guard." Missing was that inspiring tune of the music that we always have at formal "guard mount." We marched through that sick, slimy mud up to our ankles, which clung to our shoes like the tentacles of a monstrous fish. It was without a doubt the most miserable night that we have ever encountered, for guard duty.

Sergeants Prindle, Kerr, Lathrop and Von Dernuth, have left us to report to the Officers Training School. We are indeed sorry to lose them, but we hope they will return as officers.

In a very short time there will be a "checker" tournament on, if we can secure enough entries. There will be a few very good prizes and it would be advisable to send in your name to Pvt. McLaughlin at the earliest opportunity.

Delehunt's one ambition has been to inveigle the writer into a boxing match with him; he succeeded beyond his fondest imagination, trimming him to the queen's taste.

Duane's saluting has improved wonderfully lately; practice makes perfect.

"Bill" Garvin and "Ginger" Maill, the "Waldorf Astoria" chefs, deserve great credit for the dinner they prepared for New Year's Eve.

Capt. Rarere swings the axe like an old-time woodsman.

"Artillery" Mains has been very busy lately; he is sure now that he can not be caught when questioned on the rifle.

Our old friend, Bettes, when asked what part of the rifle the chamber was, gazed soulfully into the sergeant's eyes and answered, "the container." Guess again, Roy. "Buckie" Leonard has at last qualified as a first-class barber. If you are a bit doubtful take a look at Bingham's head.

Bugler Smith is back from the hospital, says its pretty nice over there. Guess he like's the nursery.

With due respect to Pvt. Bettes, we suggest that he learn the difference between "call to quarters" and "reveille." "Sam" Crosby is taking lessons from "Bob" Benedict in the art of cutting wood.

The following conversation was overheard at inspection last week:

Major: "How many suits of underwear have you?"

Boghosian: "Five, sir."

Major: "Where are they?"

Boghosian: "One in the wash and four on me, sir."

—J. S. M., Jr.
BATTERY F, 105TH FIELD ARTILLERY.

We are all still alive although most of us feel half dead out here in these Blue Ridge Mountains.

We still have our old friend, Bill Longheer, who can peddle the Bull Durham faster than you can smoke it, but when it comes to rattling the bones he sure is there.

Jack Weir got frozen feet in bed one night and now he goes to bed with his spurs on to keep them warm. (Editor's Note: We didn't know that spurs ever kicked at the cold).

Sgt. Rehancke is all smiles because he managed to get his horse to trot.

Troop Sgt. Major Bolger is still wondering when reveille is going to be at ten o'clock, and has made up a new little ditty which he lives up to.

The work is hard,
The pay is small,
Cop a nap and “fool” them all.

AMBULANCE CO. 108.

Corporal Robbins is again in our midst after spending a ten-day furlough in the Empire State. While home he played the title role in that screaming farce—"A Modern Romeo."

"Possum" Louden, a regular Beau Brummell up in Masonville, by gosh, has lately acquired a most deplorable habit of appearing at reveille without his hair neatly combed and brushed. Naughty, naughty.

Joe Desmond wanted his name in the paper. We don't know what to say about him, except that he's a cook. We can't go much further than that.

The S. H. quartette wishes to thank Farrier Dacey for his discovery of that touching and pathetic "Bob White."

All of our ambulances have been confiscated by the quartermaster. This means, of course, that we will be sent across immediately—company rumor No. 343.

Two of our sergeants who are in the officers training school spent Sunday with us, wearing their new red, white and blue hat cords. At mess one of the bright and shining lights of the third section asked: "Say, barber, can I get a hair-cut to-day?"

Tom Cartridge, our expert ambulance driver, took his turn at bare-back riding the other morning. After doing a regular Paul Revere past the Field Hospital companies, he allighted slowly and gracefully among the miles on the engineers' picket line. His technique was perfect.

Lieutenants Buell and Bagley are with us again, after being laid up a few days with Southern colds.

Privates Goodenough, Keefe, Ling and Divine have been assigned to Sanitary Squad No. 1. —W. C. R.

CO. M, 105TH INFANTRY.

There is a rumor going about that the R. R. fare to N. Y. is to be only $8. Far be it from us to spread false reports, but we sure do hope it comes true, as we are due to go home next month.

Pvt. Joe Whalen goes to the canteen daily to eat pancakes and acquire flat feet.

"Battling" Hickey and Kid Morgan had a short bout the other evening. It was short to the extent of one swat from "Batt" to the "Kid's" jaw.

The 15th squad daily prays that "Goo Goo" Hlyviak, the flat foot wonder, will cease borrowing Corp. Matson's boots, soon.

Pvt. Walter Fox, the camouflage artist, is preparing a series of lectures for the Company. Walt has the remarkable ability to take a rake, shovel or pick and completely disguise himself as work.

Special Announcement—Pvt. Bill Nies has been appointed hydrant inspector.

It is said that Corp. Anson has a disappearing squad. Anyway, we know he spends most of his time looking them up for details.

Yes! Yes! If you don't believe Brock Hughes has a new line of "Gas," ask the cooks.

And at last the miracle has come to pass—Corp. Patsy O'Connor, the boy with the ambition, was actually seen pushing a wheelbarrow yesterday. We wouldn't believe it, only we saw it happen.

—F. H. R. Jr.
BATTERY F, 106TH F. A.

Here's one Charley pulled:

R. O.: "Did your mother ever speak to you when you were home?"

Wop: "Shoe."

R. O.: "Well, she must have had a strong stomach."

"Major" Freeman, the most popular man in the 27th Division, has charge of a tent and he has the men under him bowling. Those under his control are: Frank Meyer, Joseph Lee, Herman Barre, John Manfridi (the spaghetto juggler), Wilhelm Frederick Mullor (the Canteen soldier), and Richard Seddon. Every night a Russian Revolution takes place in this tent, and after falling back to his last line trenches, the Major makes a hurried retreat to the Y. M. C. A.

Georges Kenney, the Gas Mask Specialist, has his troubles checking up the men getting instruction and I guess he wishes real gas would come when the men haven't got any masks on, so he wouldn't have to check up any more lists.

By the way, "F" Battery was supplied with canal boats, beg pardon; dogs—yes, I mean brogans; yes, that's the name; no it isn't, either, ah, trench shoes; they're fine to dance in; well we all got them the other day and right afterwards had gas mask instruction. Double time with those dogs on is no cinch and when one fellow's brogans came down gently on another fellow's he didn't want to say "excuse me." That's all, thank you.

FIELD HOSPITAL CO. NO. 107, 102ND
SANITARY TRAIN.

Mess Sergeant Burger had received inside information to the effect that "the Homer Ramsdell of the Central Hudson Line is in Dry-Dock at present being converted into a transport." The "Shinnecock," (according to Burger) is also undergoing reconstruction and is having twelve-inch guns mounted "fore and aft." This famous vessel will undoubtedly act as escort to the U. S. H. S. Homer Ramsdell. Evidently the "Sirus" of the Iron Steamboat Company will enter the Government service in the dreameighth class.

After listening to "Kalamity Karl" Killian's views on the subject of our early departure for "somewhere in Europe," his tentmates are now considering the practicability of building a log cabin or a bungalow for occupation during the winter of 1918 and 1919.

Ed. Berger, who sometime ago hung a pitcher of milk in the ice box, while on duty in the kitchen; and was awarded the "booby prize" has relinquished his "honors" in favor of Kluefer, who hung a hot griddle iron in the aforementioned refrigerator.

After some months of rigid training in Camp Wadsworth, Stanwix indulged in a "sub party" with his tent-mates, which ended in his applying for a furlough. This furlough being granted he registered with the Southern Railroad and stampeded to New York City. There he pulled "the blushing bride and bridegroom stunt." He is again among us "mortals" and having cast aside matrimonial cares he is considering life in a lighter vein—"service abroad."

Society Notes.

Having in mind the axiom—"Misery loves company," the fellows whose fair friends have given them the "Good-Bye" have organized a "Raspberry Club." The following "Rasberries" have been accepted as charter members: Becker, Brophy, Burns, Byrne, Cahill, Combs, Coopla, Cuddy, Thoro, Hoshorne, Howroyd, Malcolm, Millon, Montgomery, Murphy, O'Connor, Patterson, Phillips, Pierce, Read, Smith, Schill, Williams, and Woeks.

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NO SUCH WORD IN OUR VOCAB.

Speaking of bum signs, there is one over a near-and-yet-so-far-bear emporium on East Main street which reads, "The Soldiers' Retreat." Whaddayamean, "retreat?"
DIVISION HEADQUARTERS TROOP.

Five members of the troop are now attending the officers school. They are Sergeants Maurice Leech and Gordon Barr, Lance-corporal Browson King, and Privates Bob McKay and Hampton Anderson. The entire quintet is specializing in artillery.

First Lieutenant Douglas Cameron has been detailed as Adjutant of the school.

Sergeant Linwood P. Ames has been appointed camouflage instructor of the Division. He will proceed to Washington in the near future for final instructions. "Pop" is one of the most prominent artists in New York City. In addition to his work in his Fifth Avenue Studio, he has had extensive experience in photography, movie directing and aviation. Since his arrival in Spartanburg he has been in charge of all decorative construction.

Ernest Painter was added to the list of Benedicts while home on furlough. He was married to Miss Adeline Freer at the North Presbyterian Church, New York City.

The troop will present another play on the night of Lincoln's birthday. It will be a farce. The Entertainment Committee has been reorganized and now consists of Hugh Stange, director; John Garvey, assistant director; Rexford Swain, scenic director; Ernest Painter, stage manager; Corporal Perciv Davies, property master; Ted Camp, electrician, and Fred J. Ashley, business manager.

A stage will be constructed in the troop garage and efforts are now being made to secure a considerable quantity of scenery. Monthly entertainments are scheduled which will be attended by the entire Division. Tryouts for the farce will be held this week.

Hugh Stange who is preparing the play, has gone to New York on furlough to attend the opening of his drama "Seventeen" at the Booth Theater. The comedy adapted from Booth Tarkington's novel has had a successful tour through the West.

Corporal Jean Chanut, and Privates George Sturm and Raymond Duport have been transferred to Camp Greene at Charlotte for intensive training. All three men are masters of the Galile tongue and will be sent to France ahead of the Division to act as interpreters.

It is reported that George Sternberger will open up a stock brokerage concern after he returns to New York. Sternberger's one day on K. P. will probably influence him to turn the establishment into a bucketshop.

Private H. Foster, a former member, was promoted to Battery Clerk for complying with orders, such as going to bed in full marching order including spurs to keep the blankets over his No. 12 BE shoes.

The Sixth Tent consists of six or seven full-fledged harmonicas.

Private J. Buckley, otherwise known as Alias Crying Charley, is having a hard time keeping warm these cold nights, due to the fact that his tears freeze up.

Private M. Blumenfeld, otherwise known as Bad Bookey Bee, is the only real imitation of Joan of Arc on a horse.

Private W. Andrews is known to all the boys as Headzie, on account of the large hat he wears.

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Last but not least comes our Buffalo Private Max Goldman, who's only worries are the extra war taxes on the old push cart back in Buffalo.

WHERE, NOT WHEN.

One Rookie to another at one of the new cantonments:

"Where do you bathe?"

"In the Spring."

"I didn't ask you when, I asked you where!"

PHYSICAL TORTURE.

One, two, three, four (Oh, my poor back!). One, two, three, four (Why don't they inoculate us against setting-up exercises?). One, two, three, four (Darn that Kaiser!). One, two, three, four (Will he ever stop?). One, two, three, four (There go my new G. D. pants.). One, two, three, four (I'll make the Boches pay for this.). One, two, three, four (I enlisted to be a soldier not a Paul Swan.). One, two, three, four, HALT! (Oh, boy!)

MACHINE GUN CO., 106TH INFANTRY.

We are looking forward to sunshine as 1st Class Pvt. Cox is losing ambition.

Our beloved Bugler Fleming was reduced to private. He said himself it wasn't his fault.

Interest is taken by Pvt. Jackson in the line of cooking, as he always spends his Sundays in the kitchen.

The 16th squad has an orchestra. Pvt. M. Blumenfeld, otherwise known as Bad Bookey Bee, is the only real imitation of Joan of Arc on a horse.

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WHEN WE WILL LEAVE FOR FRENCH FRONT

The Gas Attack Publishes For the First Time Date and Full Details About Division’s Departure

The 27th Division will leave for

NINE-TENTHS OF WORLD NOW AT WAR.

Nine-tenths of the population of the world is now at war. More than half the governments of the earth are engaged in the struggle to preserve civilization or have broken off relations with Germany and her co-partners. Little more than one-third remain neutral, and most of these are the small states which are prevented by their position from engaging in the conflict or whose influence would be without effect. It is the world against barbarism!

These facts are stupendous, yet they are borne out by figures, as the following tables will show:

THE ALLIES

Nineteen countries have entered the war against the modern barbarians. The following are their names, date of entry and population, including their colonial possessions:

1914.
Serbia, July 28............ 4,547,000
Russia, August 1........... 170,137,000
France, August 3......... 87,429,000
Belgium, August 4........ 22,071,000
British Emp., Aug. 4..... 439,059,000
Montenegro, Aug. 7...... 516,000
Japan, August 23......... 73,807,000
1915.
Italy, May 23............. 37,388,000
San Marino, June 9........ 12,000
1916.
Portugal, March 10...... 15,308,000
Boumania, Aug. 27........ 7,508,000
1917.
United States, April 8.... 113,168,000
Cuba, April 8............. 2,500,000
Panama, April 9.......... 427,000
Greece, July 16........... 4,821,000
Siam, July 22............. 8,149,000
Liberia, August 7......... 1,806,000
China, August 14.......... 350,650,000
Brazil, October 26........ 24,618,000
Total, 19 States.......... 1,370,225,000

RELATIONS BROKEN.

The following nations, all of North or South America and all during the present year, have broken off relations with Germany:

Bolivia, April 14........ 2,900,000
Guatemala, April 27.... 2,119,000
Honduras, May 18........ 600,000
Nicaragua, May 19...... 600,000
Santo Domingo, June 8.... 710,000
Hayti, June 17........... 2,000,000
Chili, June 29............ 5,000,000
Costa Rica, Sept. 21.... 431,000
Peru, October 5.......... 4,620,000
Uruguay, October 7...... 1,400,000
Bolivia, December 6...... 1,500,000
Total, 11 States........ 21,870,000

THE CENTRAL POWERS.

Austria began the conflict at the instigation of Germany by declaring war on Serbia. Four days later Germany entered. Turkey began hostilities three months later without a declaration, and Bulgaria dallied with both sides eleven months longer before joining the Teutonic combination. Following are the dates and the population of each country, including colonial possessions:

Austria, July 28, 1914....... 43,882,000
Germany, Aug. 1, 1914...... 80,621,000
Turkey, Nov. 2, 1914........ 21,374,000
Bulgaria, Oct. 4, 1915...... 4,755,000
Total, 4 States........... 156,372,000

The following governments have remained neutral in the great struggle between right and wrong:

In EUROPE—Andorra, 6,000; Denmark, and colonies, 2,872,000; Holland and colonies, 43,647,000; Luxemburg, 268,000; Monaco, 20,000; Norway, 2,429,000; Spain and colonies, 21,350,000; Sweden, 5,640,000; Switzerland, 3,742,000. Nine states, population, 80,064,000.

In ASIA—Afghanistan, 6,000,000; Persia, 9,000,000. Two states, population, 15,000,000.

In AFRICA—Abyssinia, 8,000,000; Morocco, 6,500,000. Two states, population, 14,500,000.

In NORTH AMERICA—Mexico, 15,463,000; Salvador, 1,254,000. Two states, population, 16,717,000.

In SOUTH AMERICA—Argentina, 9,000,000; Colombia, 5,500,000; Paraguay, 800,000; Venezuela, 2,780,000. Four states, population, 18,080,000.

Total neutral population, 143,961,000.

RECAPITULATION.

At war, 19 States........ 1,370,225,000
Relations broken, 11 States 21,870,000
Anti-German, 30 States.... 1,392,095,000
Germanic Allies, 4 States... 156,572,000
Neutrals, 19 States....... 143,961,000

World’s population, 53 States .................. 1,692,628,000

Six quasi governments are not mentioned above. They are: St. John of Jerusalem (Malta), whose temporal power lapsed in 1834; the Papacy, whose temporal power lapsed in 1876; Oman and Albania, which are practically Turkish; Liechtenstein, which is with Austria, and Nepal, which, with the other state of India, has sided with the British empire.
AMBULANCE CO. NO. 105, 102ND SANITARY TRAIN.

When Private "Foggy" Maynard, distinguished among the "mixed nuts" of tent squad No. 1, left the company street shortly after retreat on Tuesday, January 15, he was at peace with all the world and thoughts of home and wifey in Spartanburg lightened his steps as he ploughed through the deep, sticky Carolina mud on the way to the notorious P. & N. Spartanburg local.

Finally clambering on board he managed to squeeze himself into half of one of the seats and soon found himself in conversation with his seatmate who proved to be an artilleryman. Several interesting bits of camp gossip changed hands and the talk finally swung into a heated discussion as to the method used in wiring the electric lights which illuminated the car, Private Maynard confidently asserting that the removal of any one of the bulbs would throw the car into semi-darkness.

To settle all doubts in the mind of the artilleryman he stood up and loosened the bulb nearest him and as the interior of the car darkened, a chorus of indignant protests arose from the other passengers in the car. In the resulting confusion the bulb slipped from the grasp of the flustered private and burst with a loud report as it hit the floor.

Unluckily for Maynard, the commander of the Military Police happened to be one of the passengers and despite the frenzied protests of the unfortunate benedict, he ordered the culprit to be put under arrest and now friend "Foggy" is listed for no one knows what. "Hard luck, old top! A little knowledge is sometimes a dangerous thing, isn't it?"

During the past week the members of this company have been favored with several very interesting lectures on the care of the teeth and most of the audience are now sadder but wiser men.

Lack of canvas with which to patch the holes that had been burned in some of the tents made the occupants of several of the tents very uncomfortable during the steady downpour of hail and rain that visited us on January 12. Those in squad No. 5 suffered the most as lack of extra tentage had prevented them from replacing the one ruined by their New Year's fire, and they were forced to move bag and baggage to adjoining tents where men were absent on furlough. New tents arrived last Sunday and No. 5 squad is once more together.

Two big bunches of enlisted men, accompanied by Pvt 1st Class "Cuckoo" Gomon, and Privates Short, Parkhurst, "Tomorial" Dessert, and the Bunch Brothers started for Syracuse Wednesday on 10-day furloughs and "Hank" Snyder, "King George" Collins, "Rosy" Phelps, Cook Nickels, Ernie Littlewood, and Walt Kurtz found time to reassure their tentmates that the Salt City still stands, that Snell's Academy is running full blast (Oh, Boy!) and on a hundred and one other questions.

Private 1st Class Jack Layton announces the completion of the program for our second entertainment which will take place

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JAMES A. G. MOORE, BUILDING SECRETARY UNIT NO. 93.

Mr. James A. G. Moore, Building Secretary, Unit No. 93, was born in Geneva, N. Y., received his preliminary education in Geneva, later going to Trinity College, Hartford, from which he graduated in 1914. While in college Mr. Moore was prominent in athletics, playing on the college football and basketball teams the entire four years of his college career, making the track team two of the years in college. He later went to Rochester Theological Seminary, where he graduated with honors last May.

Mr. Moore has always been active in Y. M. C. A. work and while at Trinity College was instrumental in establishing a branch of the College Y. M. C. A. at that college. While at Rochester Theological Seminary Mr. Moore was also active in local Y. M. C. A. work, being especially interested in the Boys’ Department. Before coming to Spartanburg he had charge of the Boys’ Farm Cadet Camp near Rochester, which is run under the supervision of the New York State Food Supply Commission. Mr. Moore came to Spartanburg in August as a Building Religious Work Director and has lately been made Building Secretary of Unit No. 93.

UNIT 93.

Last Thursday night at 12 o’clock the Corps in Unit 93 were compelled to answer knock at the door. Were they callers? No, they were shelter-seekers. The wind had just blown down tents occupied by the guards of 106 Inf. These men had been out in the cold wind for some time and were looking for a place that would give comfort. The men here did what we could to give it. Unit 93 is always ready to serve the boys their best.

Wednesday night the boys had a real musical treat, Mme. Grace Hall Riehle, a grand opera soprano singer, and E. Edwin Crecie, composer, accompanist, both of much note, rendered a most enjoyable program. We were fortunate in having these people with us, they both made a hit among the boys.

Sunday morning, Jan. 6, Chaplain Hauscomb, of 106th Inf., held an impressive Communion Service. There was a large number of soldiers present to partake of the Lord’s table.

UNIT 96.

During the week of January 9-16 this unit has had the usual varied activities. The unit has missed very much the men of the 106th Infantry, but the attendance has fallen off very little.

On Wednesday, January 9th, there was an informal sing led by Lucian Bareham. On Thursday night a spirited meeting was held with addresses by Dr. Thompson and Dr. Strayer, followed by singing and movies. Friday night drew an unusually large crowd for the movies. Sunday, January 13th, there were two splendid religious meetings. In the evening Rev. Robert J. Drysdale, the new Religious Secretary of this unit, conducted the meeting—“Scotty” Drysdale made a great hit with the men and proved by his first talk that he will be a great asset to this unit. Mr. Drysdale was formerly at Unit No. 95, but it is especially fortunate for this Unit to obtain him as he is well known by the many Rochester men who come here.

Tuesday night, January 15th, we had one of the best movies of the winter with Ty Cobb as the star.

During the week we lost George K. Warren, Religious Secretary, since the Unit was opened. Rev. Warren will be much missed, not only in this Unit but in the camp in general. He has returned to his church at Syracuse, N. Y., but hopes in time to return to Y. M. C. A. work.
UNIT 97.

One of the finest concerts ever heard in the unit was given last Tuesday night by Madame Grace Hall Rheldaffer, accompanied by E. Edward Crerie. Madame Rheldaffer has given up a promising career temporarily to sing in the various army camps and cantonments and her concert at 97 was great. She had the boys with her from the start and carried them with her all the way through her program.

She gave arias from various operas, including Les Huguenots, Madam Butterfly, and others of note. Before singing each aria, she told the story of the opera in such a way as to connect the aria with it so that the piece would not be over the heads of her audience. After these numbers, she sang Les Marsaillais in French and English and then led the boys in singing various songs which they knew, including “There’s a Long, Long Trail,” “Over There,” and “A Long, Long Time,” all of which she improvised a tenor obligato.

The fact that Madam Rheldaffer’s son is in France at present with the U. S. Engineers gave added interest to her concert. The evening was one of the most enjoyable which the boys have spent since coming into the building and the kindness of Madam Rheldaffer was thoroughly appreciated and will not be forgotten right away.

A large and enthusiastic audience greeted Rev. E. E. Ryden, of Jamestown, last Wednesday night. Dr. Ryden comes to Spartanburg to work in the interests of the men, under the auspices of the Lutheran Church, and this was the first time that he had spoken in camp. The sing before the talk and the movies afterward were both good and much enjoyed.

M. E. Oakes, our popular social secretary, was drafted into “active” service last week, when he was sent to Atlanta to drive the new Ford truck to Camp Wadsworth. The trip was full of hard work, delightful scenery, rotten roads and interesting happenings, after all of which “Oakesy” returned to us smiling and serene as ever. The new truck is a dandy and drives finely.

During Oakes’ absence, Mr. Robert L. Milam helped out. Mr. Milam is a gospel singer of note throughout the South and comes to us from Atlanta to help wherever and however he can.

The French classes under the direction of Mr. Pafford are all doing business and a good business, too. New classes are in process of formation in Mathematics and English for foreigners.

After a big sing last Sunday night, led by Mr. Allen, Building Secretary, and a short service conducted by Mr. Ford, Religious Work Secretary, Dr. Strayer gave a wonderful talk, which resulted in many men signing the War Roll and asking for Testaments.

The 104th Field Artillery Band gave another of its fine concerts following the movies Monday night. The program was varied as usual, but the cornet solo by Mr. Sutherland, the “Misericordia” from “Il Trovatore” was especially beautiful.

In the absence of Chaplain Shippman of the 104th Field Artillery, Mr. Ford, Religious Work Secretary, conducted the regimental service last Sunday morning.

UNIT 271.

Capt. Anthony Fiala, 102nd Ammunition Train, gave his feature address on his Polar Expeditions. A good crowd of men was present to hear Capt. Fiala relate intimate details of his own experiences in the frozen North.

We also had a splendid concert from the 102nd Train Band, under the able direction of Sergeant Roach. Come again!

“Movie night,” which hereafter will be an established part of our week’s program on Monday and Thursday nights was initiated Jan. 14 by an unprecedented crowd that cramped even standing room. Following the screen plays, Tom Farmer and Ted Mercer gave their life-stories, which deeply impressed every man present. To those who have heard these two men, comment is unnecessary.

The library has an ever-increasing circulation, and a call for more books has been sent in. A full week’s program will be scheduled and from the talent that has already been discovered among the men, there will be no lack of big doings. “Our keys are in the river” and Secretaries Bonk and Foote will welcome visitors at any time. Come over and see us.
ETHELBURT JELLYBACK, PRIVATE

(Continued from page 7)

She will spring to her feet, and in a pretty flurry of spirits and skirts she will fling herself to my table.

"Ah, the brave Americaine!" she will cry. "It is to you I owe my dear France."

"No, no," I will protest, while her white hand lies fluttering on my arm, "not to me alone.

"Ah yes—out, oui, oui. It is you who have saved us. You and your daring."

"Well, Madamoiselle, if you put it that way. . . ." I wave my hand at the waiter. "Garcon, bring on two bottles of wine. Will you join me, Madamoiselle?"

Murmuring her pleasure, she will sit with me. She will tell me how much she admires the sort of American of which I am the prototype. I will tell her she is tres jolie, tres charmant, and other deft compliments of which my familiarity with society has made me the master. After I have paid her a particularly delicious tribute, to her beauty and her femininity, she will bend across the table with tip-tilted face. She will lift her curving lips close to mine.

Ethelburt Will Palpitate.

I shall tremble on the edge of my chair, involuntarily. I know I shall, because I have ever been a bit nervou and a creature of impulse.

And then, returning her gaze, fall into those laughter-loving eyes, I shall—shall—

Why Jim Mugrams should have thrown his shoe at me, at this point of my narrative, I could never understand. Why, just as I had reached the climax in telling of the wild adventure I am to have in Paris, he should have hit me in the abdomen with a number nine hob-nailed boot, will ever remain a mystery to me.

The blow made me violently ill. It brought on a form of nausea. I tossed on my cot in pain.

"The next time you get nutty again," he warned, "I'll throw the axe."

"Oh," I moaned in reply, "Look what you've done. You've hurt me. You've ruined sixteen weeks of intensive training!"

—ETHELBURT JELLYBACK, Pvt. (C. D.)

JACK DRISCOLL TO GIVE BOXING LESSONS.

Mr. Dan M. Davis, physical director in Unit 93 has secured the services of Jack Driscoll, of the 14th Inf., of N. Y., to serve as boxing instructor. Mr. Davis will have certain days aside for this work and asks all parties who are interested in boxing to have an interview with him or Mr. Driscoll, as they are anxious to start work.

Mr. Driscoll is a heavyweight of much note and is in every way capable of handling this work.

REMOUNT DEPOT NO. 307.

"The Melting Pot of the Branches"—doughboy, artillery, cavalry, engineer and M. P., forgetting past prejudice and united in the work of supplying live stock to the Division.

We cheerfully acknowledge the non-de plume and defy anyone to show us a happier bunch of men than those at Remount Depot No. 307. Capt. Walter B. Palmer, formerly of the Remount Depot at Camp Sherman, Ohio, has been transferred to Remount Depot 307, Camp Wadsworth. Capt. Palmer is known to horsemen throughout America as one of the most prominent breeders, owners and drivers of horses. He has also written some of the poetical classics of the turf and is known as the James Whitcomb Riley of the horse world.

First Lieut. Brod has arrived to fill the post of Chief Veterinarian. Lieut. Brod is thoroughly familiar with remount work, having served in the same capacity at the Remount Depot in Camp Hancock, Augusta, Ga.

Mrs. Maud McKay was one of the guests at Christmas dinner in Remount Depot in this camp. Mrs. McKay is the wife of Quartermaster Sergeant Senior Grade John T. McKay, who is superintendent of Remount Depot and formerly Sergeant Major of Military Police.

Somebody claims that there is no other man in Camp Wadsworth holding the same rank as "Mac." "Mac" modestly admits that it is quite a distinction, and in fact hinted that the first time he meets a man of his own rank, he will celebrate the occasion by a dinner in the "Cleveland."

Quartermaster Sergeant Smith is our property sergeant and we all know it too, what he can not get in the way of property is not worth getting—he's some GETTER. He seems very happy now that his favorite mount, "Polly," has recovered and is again in harness.

Q. M. Sergt. Smith is a regular army man transferred to Remount Depot from Track No. 17. (Note: Clothing will be issued on Fridays only.)

Quartermaster Sergeant William J. Copeland, formerly of 2nd Field Artillery, is now our chief clerk and he sports a chevon as big as a house. Billy was for a number of years Battery Clerk in the old 2nd Field Artillery, and has a reputation throughout the Division for speed and accuracy which he has lived up to in this organization.

A Jewish State.

There is being raised the first million of one hundred million dollars desired to establish the Jewish state in the Holy Land. This movement has long been considered and now that Jerusalem has fallen into allied hands it is possible. The Turk has been eliminated from rule and the home of the Jew may again become his center of influence.
SPORT OFFICIALS IN Base Hospital.

PARLEZ-VOUS BASEBALL?

The Clark C. Griffith Ball and Bat Fund has sent more than two thousand baseball outfits to the American soldiers "Over There." The boys in khaki have introduced our national pastime in many parts of France. Here is the attempt of a French sporting editor to describe a baseball game:

"The queque is the ancient game of ball to the field modified and regulated. One can play to ten, but to well play the queque it is necessary to be eighteen players. The dimension of the ground is immittible; all the same she ought not to have less than 200 square meters. One traces a polygon of which each side can have from five to ten meters. The bases are indicated by blocks of wood. The first chamber (home plate) or base is ordinarily a square of two meters of side. The post of emplacement of the lancer (pitcher) ought to find itself at four meters from the first base. The lancer ought not to eject the ball, but lance her in such fashion that she arrived between the shoulder and the knee of the beater (batter). The role of beater is of to beat the ball—as soon as she is served—in the direction which he desires (but all the same before his field) and far enough for to permit him of to run at least just to the second base and thus soon again just to the base of return. The play of the opposed field is to send back the ball the most rapidly possible to prevent the beater from to make his run around."

GOOD CARD AT UNIT 97.

Several spirited boxing bouts, a concert by the 104th Field Artillery Band, and songs by A. A. Jarrett, featured the entertainment at Y. M. C. A. No. 97 last Monday night. This program followed the usual moving picture show, and was enjoyed by a capacity crowd.

Snowshoes Jackson, of the 10th Field Hospital, and Young Greenfield, of the same company, put up three smashing rounds with honors about even. Jackson refuted the statement that his jaw is made of glass. Concrete is nearer to it. Callahan, of the artillery sparrowed three rounds with Corporal Dupree. The other matches brought together Harding and Carroll, of Battery F, and Joe Murphy and Buck O'Neill, of the 104th Field Artillery. Fred McDermott refereed.

THE NUT THAT CAN'T BE BROKEN.

Abe Bernard, Owner of the Hardest Shelled Dome in Camp, Will Baffle Science at the Bouts Again To-Night.

Speaking of nuts—have you been down the bouts yet? Frank Moran certainly has in an assorted collection and it would be well worth your trouble to go down to the Big Tent to-night and see a few of them cracked. The party starts at eight o'clock and every one of any consequence at all is planning to be there to join in the picking.

The hardest nut of the Division belongs, without doubt, to Private Abe Bernard, of G Company, 106th Infantry. Time and again in his brief ring history the local ring experts have done their darndest to break it but alas! all they could do was to break hammering mitts on its shaven and polished surface.

He's a Game Filbert—Is Abe!

Frank Moran is going to try to have another operation performed on Bernard's mysterious dome to-night and it will be worth while unto attend the autopsy. It is rumored that Coco (A) of Battery D, 106th Artillery, will be there with his celebrated crown piece also. Shell out and join the boxing enthusiasts at the Red Triangle Tent to-night.

Frank McDermott, the best nut cracker of the Division will appear in the heavyweight affair while some nuts of smaller denominations will be offered for inspection in the other nine battles.

CHARLESTON NAVY YARD TEAM PLAYS HERE TO-NIGHT.

The basket-ball team of the Charleston Navy Yard will meet the Camp Wadsworth five at the Spartanburg Y. M. C. A. this evening. It is the second game of the season for the two outfits, the Division representatives winning the first contest at the Tars court two weeks ago. The score then was 28 to 15 in favor of the players of the 105th Infantry and 51st Pioneer Regiments, from which the camp five is recruited.

The sailors have been training since the last game in their new $50,000 gym at Charleston and the court should prove the scene of a real interesting fray to-night. The Navy players have been put under the care of Ketcham, who starred for Annapolis a few years ago and it is expected that he will be in their lineup. A preliminary game has been scheduled between the five of the 102nd Engineers and a team selected from the men here who formerly starred in the Hudson River League.
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soon, and boasts that it will be bigger, better, and more finished than the first.

Foot trouble and rheumatism were responsible for the disability discharge of Private Leroy Y. Beers, formerly of this company. He is a good friend and a splendid soldier and we are sorry to lose him.

When a load of coal was left near the mess hall on January 11, the men gathered around the pile and examined the chunks curiously for it was the first that we had seen since our arrival at this camp. It was finally decided that each tent squad should have seventy-five pounds and under the watchful eye of Supply Sergt. Art Gwynn, the coal dwindled to a memory. Two days later, when the same amount was again issued, several of the men fainted from the shock and upon their recovery were assigned to Ward 32 in the Base Hospital.

Private 1st Class William J. "Chief" Costello, candidate for a commission at the officers' training school at this camp, visited his old comrades last Sunday and in reply to eager questions, stated that things were "coming along fine." He made his quarters for the day with his old squad in No. 5 tent and promises to be up every Sunday.

"Ataboy, 'Chief.'"

Corpl. Walter Schindler hopes to resume his studies at the College of Medicine at Syracuse University. His application has already been sent to Headquarters.

Private Earl W. Bristol is considered the luckiest man in camp. He has a real "steady" in Spartanburg. He is certainly living up to his boast that he can get a girl wherever he goes. "How do you do it, Earl?"

—A. K. M.
Tom Farmer and Ted Mercer Put
Across a Message With a Punch.

"It's hell to get on your feet again when
you're a rummy and a down-and-outer."

"You can't trust the men of the world.
I know because I've tried it."

"Men ask me if I believe in a hell. Why
wouldn't I? I've been there two or three
times."

"There's no use trying to preach Christian-
ity to a man who is hungry and cold. Feed
and clothe him, shake him until he gets his
first pay. Then preach to him."

With such remarks as these, culled from
their own bitter experience, Ted Mercer,
edrunk and bum, and Tom Farmer, ex-bank
robber, have been gripping the hearts of the
men in camp during the past week in a
series of meetings which have packed the
Y. M. C. A. units.

Mercer and Farmer represent the two op-
posita of the social scale. The former was
born and brought up in the lap of luxury,
a nephew of Ex-President Arthur and given
of the best that life affords. He forsook
his relatives and friends and became a good-
for-nothing, sinking to the lowest of bums
and finally, as he says, by the grace of God,
lifting up his head again, while on the
verge of suicide. Farmer, on the other
hand was the son of a New York saloon-
keeper and politician, brought up in a life
of crime, taught to steal as soon as he was
old enough to learn anything and becoming
in the course of time one of the most noted
robbers in the criminal world. Eighteen
of the best years of his life were spent behind
prison bars and he now faces the world
with a wealth of earnestness and power
which comes from the courage of a strong
conviction.

Their Christianity is of the most vital
and practical sort. Not the kind that harps
on the small things, but the kind that takes
life and makes something of it, which pulls
men out of their old habits and puts them
on the right plane; not the kind that works
on Sunday only and puts on all sorts of
fancy work, but the kind that works every-
day in the week and is simple in the ex-
treme. The both believe in the practicality
of religion and are not backward in saying
that it is their conviction that it is really
Christianity which is going to whip the mad
dog of Germany. To them a spade is a
spade and nothing can ever make it differ-
ent and it is in this fact that their strength
with men lies. They are not men who at-
tempt to heroize themselves because of
their rather seamy history, which has been
unlike that which comes with the life of
the normal man but they see and draw lessons
from an unpleasant past which, in the lives
of most of us, is not a pleasant thing to
think about.

With this message these two men are
now putting the matter of living straight
up to the soldiers of our country. Their
appeal can not be resisted, their brand of
religion can not be denied, because the ap-
peal is based on personal experience and
the religion is of the most practical and
usable sort.

—C. H. L. F.

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the Pastime Theatre at Kings Mt.
Private Dawson, since returning from
Grover, is singing "Porg" of my Heart.
Why does Cook Isi go to Gastonia? We
all saw you, Isi.

PRIVATE WELRY is now our Mess Sergt. Best
of luck to you, Freddie.

Poor Buck DeRue, how he does miss
Harry's little Ford.

Our company barber is now buying lemon
extract by the wholesale. (OH, Flip.)

A new song for Tent 5, "When Private
Johnson Met 'North' in the South."

A familiar question heard around the camp
at Grover: "Is there a truck going to Kings
Mt. tonight?"

Sergt. Rogers and Schwab are both going
to school (officers') again.

Who stole the turkeys at Grover Xmas
day?

Private Mendell walked right up to the
Paymaster "An draw" nothing.

Private Vaillant was seen gathering "Moss"
at Kings Mt. and they say it was a very
pretty gathering.

Sergt. Kerr went hunting last week, but
with a Ford.

Pop got a letter from Kate to-day. Which
one was it Pop?

Sergt. Doyle thinks the "Hills" of North
Carolina very beautiful. What Hill is that?

—X. W. Z.
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EACH BRANCH OF ARMY HAS
OWN LINGO.
The American poilu is not going overseas
unprovided with his own lingo, according to
a writer in "Everybody's Magazine."

"He calls himself, by the way, a 'dough-
boy,' or 'crusher,' which is fairly American-
sounding. Cavalrymen he calls 'bow-legs,' a
soldier who shares his shelter is his
'bunkie,' the company barber is 'butcher,' a
soldier who works for an officer is a 'dog
robber,' the commanding officer is alluded to
as 'K. O.;' a junior officer is called a 'goat,'
and a teamster is a 'mule skinner'; an old offi-
cer is called 'old file'; the drum-major is
the 'regimental monkey'; the doctor is 'saw-
bones,' a new second lieutenant is a 'shave-
tail'; field artillerymen are 'wagon soldiers';
and a trumpeter or bandsman is a 'wind-
jammer.'

"And our doughboys are like Tommy and
poilu in that they never 'bellyache' or com-
plain when the 'slum,' i. e., the meat or
vegetable stew, or the 'sow-belly,' as the
bacon is called, are bad. It's all in the
game—the game is 'Kan the Kaiser'—which
is the only American equivalent thus far of
any of the French war slogans like 'lis ne
passeront pas,' or 'On les aura.' 'We'll get
them.' 'They shall not pass.'"

Aviators Terms.
The air service, like most special branches,
have their own vocabulary.

"An officer of flying starts, but who for
some reason does not fly, is called a 'pen-
guin.' This name is also applied to a type
of trailing machine which does not rise from
the ground. An officer in the flying service
without flying status is called a 'kiwi/ after
an Australian bird.

"A pilot is generally called a 'quirk.' A
flight is called a 'flip,' and if it is a dis-
tinguished failure it is called a 'washout.'
An airplane is usually called a 'bus.' The
great hope of the airmen is to 'spike-bazoo'
or bring down a 'Zep,' or one of the smaller
non-rigid dirigibles they call 'blimps.'

"The airman's pest is the 'onion,' or large
flaming anti-aircraft shell, which 'Archie'
sends up as a sort of bouquet—with some-
times an unpleasant smell. 'Archie' is the
general name for the anti-aircraft gun."

Origin of "Boche."
"'Boche' is an abbreviation of 'caboche,' a
hobnail, with a hard, rough and square head.
It was applied long ago, because of corre-
sponding mental qualities, to the Germans as
well as to all resembling them. Similarly,
the Tommies call the big German guns
'Berthas' in honor of the eldest daughter of
Herr Krupp, the great German munitions
maker.

"The 'big stuff' means the various kinds
of large German shells. The high explosive
ones are 'crumps,' the big ones that give out
a lot of black smoke, 'Jack Johnsons' or
'coal-boxes.' The poilus generally call the
'big stuff' 'marshmallows' or 'stewpots.'

"Any misfortunes that the 'big stuff' may
bring are spoken of lightly in the trenches.
Being killed, and so requiring the services
of 'Holy Joe,' the chaplain, is referred to
delicately as being 'huffed' or as having
'clicked it,' or 'gone West.' Anyway, after
it is all over and, if you are lucky, you are
buried—'sewed in a blanket,' as it is called—
and are thereafter alluded to as 'pushing
up the daisies.'"

Poilu's Slang.
The poilu calls his bayonet by various
pet names: 'Rosalie' (especially for the
new style bayonet, which makes a wound
like a cross); 'a knitting needle,' 'a roast-
ing spit,' 'a Josephine,' 'a fork;' and the old-
style bayonet 'a cabbage cutter,' 'a cork-
screw.'

"The poilu's knapsack is his 'crystal
closet.' The famous .75 field piece is called
'un cou-cou' is a small bombshell and a large
bombshell is called 'un colis a domicile,'
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104TH FIELD ARTILLERY.

With the departure of Col. Smith and Lt. Col. Delaney for the instruction school we welcome back Major Seymour. The Major left us while we were in Plattsburg, to attend the School of Fire at Fort Sill, and has returned to find himself in command of the regiment. We thank the Major for his good work in getting the shower baths working, thus giving many men a much-needed opportunity for taking a bath.

Speaking of shower baths, "Mickey" Clune, the popular Irish comedian who acts in the capacity of mechanic for the Supply Co. has received a haircut (the first since his arrival in Spartanburg) and he was also one of the first to take advantage of the showers opened on Saturday night. Clune took a bath, and in the process it is rumored that he discovered several suits of underwear which he had thought lost.

"Doc" Cray, of the Medical Detachment, has become tired of dishing out O. D. pills and iodine, and has been selected to attend the Training School for officers that is being held in the division. "Doc" is going to learn to be a regular artilleryman, and while we hate to lose his cheery face when we visit the hospital, everyone extends his heartfelt congratulations with best wishes for "Doc" in his new undertaking.

Saturday night at "Taps" everyone who was still awake in camp was rewarded by hearing Taps blown in a manner seldom equalled and never excelled. Band Leader Sutherland of our excellent band thought he would demonstrate to the Wind Jammers just how he thought Taps should sound and believe me the way it sounded when blown by him on his cornet was a treat.

Lieut. Farr is acknowledged to be one of the best officers in the regiment but his efficiency is low in the matter of burning his tent. During the past week the Lieut. has had several fires in his tent but as yet has not burned it to the ground. He has several holes for ventilation, however, and if given time will probably succeed in doing a good job.

"Donkey" Doyle, the acting top sergeant of the "Mule Chauffeurs" not only looks like his nickname, but according to members of the company, makes a noise like one, especially around first call in the morning when he invites the men in the company to "Get out of them tents."

We regret the loss of "F" battery, probably the most efficient battery in the regiment, but we hope that their stay at the Training School will not in any way interfere with their future connections with this regiment and that after the school closes Capt. Gibbons and his battery will return.

In the past we have had many occasions for being thankful to Chaplain Shipman and glad he is attached to the 104th, and now we again wish to thank him for his work in procuring for us the wonderful comfort kits, which he distributed last week.

—J. B. C.
The school for the instruction of the Automatic Arms Section of the Rifle Companies of the Brigade is being organized under the direction of Captain Charles Veyesieres of the French Army.

Sergeant McNerney Edmonds, Company D, 52d U. S. Infantry, has been detailed to the 54th Infantry Brigade for duty as Assistant Instructor in the Brigade Course of Automatic Rifles.

The Commanding General of the Brigade notes with pleasure that in the report of 309 violations in the camp of G. O. 1, 1917, Headquarters, Camp Wadsworth, for the period from November 30 to December 30, 1917, the record of the Headquarters Detachment of this Brigade is clear and congratulates himself as well as the Detachment upon this fact. He hopes that in the New Year this good record may continue and trusts each man to do his part in this respect.

1st Lieutenant R. D. Williamson, Aide to General Lester, has been granted a leave of absence for ten days.

Sergeant John T. E. Davis, of the HQs. Detachment, has returned from several days vacation spent at the Base Hospital. He looks well and has entirely recuperated and is now ready for all duties.

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CO. F, 102ND ENGINEERS AT WHITNEY.

For several weeks we had waited, with some misgivings, for the order to proceed to Whitney. It was certain we were bound to go, for every company in the regiment, with the exception of "F," had been there for training in building pontoon bridges. Finally, on January 1st we were told to pack up and leave the following morning. This caused considerable gloom on account of the extreme cold weather, for we hated to leave behind the board floors and sides, which made our tents so comfortable.

Wednesday came, cold and cloudy; before we reached Whitney it had snowed, but we needed it not and proceeded to make camp. Before noon everything was set and a casual observer would easily have been convinced that we had been camping at that particular place for a long time.

Of course, the first thing the boys wanted to see was the lake on which we were to build our pontoon bridges. To our surprise this so-called lake was entirely frozen over. According to the natives, it was frozen over for the first time in eighteen years. If anyone had an idea that this condition would permit them to get plenty of bunk fatigue, such days were out before the following morning when our officers marched us over to the pontoon wagons and showed us how easily we could put the bridges together on land.

The work is mighty interesting and the experience will stand us in good stead when we have to do these things in the field. We have to build and take our pontoons apart about every five days, and then we have to build our bridges. The work is mighty interesting and the experience will stand us in good stead when we have to do these things in the field.

The Lord had a few scraps left over after he finished with Spartanburg, so he tossed them to the winds; they landed four miles north; now the place is called Whitney.

Cook Ilerzog baked a most delicious pie for them to grab the meals of the men at one day for the Captain. He set it one side but after a week he was on duty there.

Cook Herzog baked a most delicious pie one day for the Captain. He set it aside to cool and went out of the kitchen; upon his return said pie had disappeared; the only evidence as to who might be responsible was the discovery of the empty pie plate in Corp. McGlenty's tent. How about it, Mac?

It was rumored on the Company Street that Sergt. Brady arose one morning before New Year's Eve, but what we want to know is who is responsible for the stories told by one of the patrol.

Evidently Private Murtaugh is losing his eyesight, or else he had never taken advantage of the Y. M. C. A. showers, for he walked into the Y. M. C. A. last week and inquired as to where he could take a bath.

Some of the boys regret having to go to Whitney because they have to stand on line nine a. m.; upon investigation, however, it was found to be untrue—he had moved his cot to another place.

Sergt. Towle was ordered to "hitch up" and report at once with his wagon. An hour went by and still no wagon in sight; so Sergt. Donnelly went forth to investigate.

He found Schwartz down in the corral asleep, with half an onion sandwich in his hand and Louis is still trying to convince us that the onion was so strong the fumes put him to sleep.

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Who is Trotsky?
The man who is Minister of Foreign Affairs in Russia bears the name Leon Trotsky, which has been known for some time to be an assumed name. Trotsky was a correspondent on East Side of New York and became acquainted with many Americans among whom was the editor of the Masses who says that Trotsky's real name is Bronstein, that in 1905 he was president of the Workmen's Council and was arrested at Petrogрад and exiled to Siberia for life. His appearance was much like that of his jailer by name of Trotsky, whom he studied and imitated for two years, when with a forged passport he made his way across and out of Siberia. At the outbreak of the Russian revolution he returned to Russia and became prominent in the new regime.

Outlaws.
On January 4th in the Bristol Channel, a British hospital ship on way from Gibraltar to England, was torpedoed by a German U-boat. No warning was given to the hospital ship, which had all lights burning and was plainly marked with the red cross. Nor was the ship within the war zone.

Submarine Pest Not Wiped Out Yet.
During the first ten days of January the number of British ships sunk by submarines was much larger than it has been for several weeks. Over thirty ships were sunk within that time. The loss of thirty vessels in ten days is a loss which must be met by more destroyers or by building more ships than can be sunk. Of course thirty ships, although a large number to lose, yet not a large number when compared with the two thousand ships which arrived and 2250 ships which sailed from England in a single week.

Private Stewpid—"Say, why can't we wear spiral puttees?"
Corporal Benedome—"Cause you'll catch the new disease if you do."
Private Stewpid—"What new disease?"
Corporal Benedome—"Spiral meningitis, you booby!"

The Last Word.
President Wilson's address to Congress is said to be the last word of the Allies before the world and to Germany explaining what the allied nations hope to accomplish in this war. The President is an idealist and yet he has always proven himself an able manipulator in making circumstances work out ideal creeds. The President insists that the world to win this war and to settle it in such a way that a similar war in the future will be impossible. He assumes a league of nations bound together to establish and to insuire world peace. Armaments must be reduced and the chief business of nations must not be dedicated to war. Civilization demands some humane means of settling disputes among nations. And why not? Peaceful means of settling personal disputes long ago was found in law and justice. Law settles disputes of families, of communities, of corporations and why not of nations? The growth of law was from the individual to the world. We are ready for the last step. We need a league of nations. We need a reduction of armament. We must make impossible all secret treaties and intrigues. We must seek the equality and the brotherhood of man. President Wilson stands for these principles. The war will bring these conditions about. War is doomed because it has destroyed the hope of the world to the individual to the world. We are ready for the last step. We need a reduction of armament. We must make impossible all secret treaties and intrigues. We must seek the equality and the brotherhood of man. President Wilson stands for these principles. The war will bring these conditions about. War is doomed because it has destroyed the hope of the world to the individual to the world.

23,000,000 Red Cross Members.
America has now 23,000,000 members of the Red Cross. There has been raised $95,000,000 of which $30,000,000 have already been spent. The government recently deecided that not more than $800,000 a month can be sent abroad from this country for charity.

Deported 300,000 Belgians.
It has been estimated that Germany deported at least 300,000 Belgians. Germany has told the world that she has returned these but a prominent correspondent asserts that less than one-third of the deported Belgians have been returned.

President Favors Woman Suffrage.
President Wilson has been converted to federal woman suffrage. He advised members of Congress to vote for the amendment. The vote in the House of Representatives was sufficient to pass that House. A constitutional amendment requires a two-thirds vote to pass Congress and then it must be ratified by three-fourths of the States.

Making All Women People.
World acceptance of woman suffrage is inevitable. The ability of woman to share with man the solution of national and world problems is most logical. The practical work of a universal suffrage is not ideal nor can it be until the individual constituents of the body politic is ideal. But aristocracy or oligarchy or monarchy are not ideal nor are they as ideal as is a system which allows each one to represent his own interest in the universal vote of the people. Woman suffrage will not change the nature of women, it will not pervert women. If there is a perverting influence it would pervert men. If men are thus perverted then politics should be kept from as many men as possible. In such a case democracy is the best form of government.

Worse Than Attila.
The Germans have a new 14-inch traction gun, which has a very long range. The Matin, a prominent paper in Rome, says that the Germans have leveled at least 150 villages behind the Western front. The suggested reason given was to obtain a better opportunity for a better chance of the German lines. This may be true but it is also true that whenever the German army retreats only destruction marks the path. The Germans destroyed when it was unnecessary. They destroy only to express their own rule or ruin disposition.

More Hon Highhandedness.
The railroad raids in Lithuania, Courland and Poland are laid to accommodate German rolling-stock. The Russian rails are much wider than the German rails. German lines will not accommodate to German lines. This may be true but it is also true that whenever the German army retreats only destruction marks the path. The Germans destroyed when it was unnecessary. They destroy only to express their own rule or ruin disposition.

Houses for Ship-Builders.
The government will expend over a million dollars to build housing accommodations for ship-builders at the various government ship-yards. The chief quarters will be at Newport News.
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COMPANY "E," 102ND AMMUNITION TRAIN.
What's in a name? Who of us hasn't heard this celebrated interrogative? It is a known fact that roses smell just as sweet under any name, which proves our statement that we are just as good an outfit as we were sometime ago, even though we have acquired two "John Henry's." We are now on the books as "Company E." Whether this stands for "efficiency" or "excellence," we can't say, but we intend to uphold that "E" at any cost.

Almost on the heels of our christening, comes the appointment of some two-stripe non-coms, who were deserving of this military boost, to say the least.

Corporal Eckes, better known as "X," which adds to our alphabetical fame, was so sure of his promotion, that he could spell "corpoal" in three different languages, long before any of the "bucks" took him into consideration.

Corporal Black, our "djer kiss" non-com, is as sweet as a nut. Even his recent rise to fame and charge of quarters has not affected his disposition a particle. Unless he has a run in with Sergt. DeGrasse, who knows but what he may be given another stripe? Nobody. Being in a position to collect all information, dope and data, I ask and answer all questions without the slightest hesitation. Before I leave off with the "newly appointed," mention must be made of Gibbard Wolf, which is not a nick-name, though it sounds funny, unless you are used to it, he came by it honestly and responds very quickly when you call him "Gib." His surname is very appropriate, as he grows very frequently when the fatigue squad fails to execute his orders. Why he should growl is not for me to say, but as a buck said to me the other day: 'Does he think that he can scare me with that noise.' I remember him when the only two stripes he had were over his eye. So as for me, I can't see those on his sleeve, even if he stuck an arrow over them." Never mind, "Gib." Popularity is based upon the number of enemies one has—which makes you unanimous!

To avoid any ill-feeling and to show no partiality, I will tell a few secrets about some of our privates:

"Al" Mason claims all medals for non-goldbricking. "Al" imagines if he gets stable guard once in awhile he's doing more than his share! Brace up "Al," the Kaiser can't live forever—and you're still in your infancy. We're all going "blighty" (sometime) "Al," but not to-nightie.

Our company holds the undisputed record for perforated tents. Chalmers Knitting Company has nothing on us for holes. The holes in our tents range anywhere from the size of a pinhead, to the size of a hat. We also have some odd sizes. Speaking of odd sizes reminds me of the recent result of "spontaneous combustion" of Sergt. Reedon's tent. According to his alibi, the fire in his Sibley tried to take the air, but mis-calculated on the door. Now Serg. has had to move his entrance somewhat to the rear.

We thought New York State had awful mud when at its worst but South Carolina mud—give us N. Y. every time.

If Harry Mills could only find more ovens to make fires in he would be a good engineer. If anybody doesn't believe Red Gunning it is a corporal, ask him and he will show you his papers.

Bagler Kennedy is better known as Gas Attack Joe.

If Barlow could only have a table of his own in the mess hall, he would not have to fill his pockets with toast.

If a bugler Kennedy got more mail from his girl in R. V. C. the boys think he could blow better.

If Peter, the mail boy, would only get the mail on time, the boys would think more of him.

We hear that First Class Private Dick refuses to do T. O. on Saturdays, now that he is made a clerk.

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Poole's Barber Shop
A REAL BARBER SHOP
WITH REAL SERVICE.

TEN FIRST CLASS BARBERS
NO WAITING.

TOOLS AND TOWELS STERILIZED.

BATHS—HOT OR COLD.

YOUR PATRONAGE APPRECIATED.

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Sloan's Liniment goes right to it. Have you a rheumatic ache or a dull-throbbing neuralgic pain? You can find a quick and effective relief in Sloan's Liniment. Thousands of homes have this remedy handy for all external pains because time and time again it has proven the quickest relief. So clean and easy to apply, too. No rubbing, no stain, no inconvenience as is the case with plasters or ointments. If you once use Sloan's Liniment, you will never be without it. Generous sized bottles, at all druggists, 25c., 50c., $1.00.

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THE WADSWORTH GAS ATTACK AND RIO GRANDE RATTLER 31
### CAPTAIN TRAINS SPARROWS TO SUPPLANT CARRIER PIGEONS.

By Feeding Birds on Edam Cheese He Increases Speed—A Startling Discovery.

Every man in the 27th Division will have a sparrow issued to him to-day to act as a messenger. The use of sparrows for this purpose was discovered by Captain

### EDITORS OF GAS ATTACK WIN COMMISSIONS.

Magazine Pronounced More Deadly Than German Gas, and Its Authors Are Promoted.

By General Order 54545454545454545, all the editors of the *Gas Attack* were yesterday commissioned Majors.

"Your service against the enemy has been invaluable," the General Order reads; "You have invented a weapon more deadly than German gas or liquid fire. When you hurl a few volumes of the *Gas Attack* at the Hindenburg line, there can be no doubt about the result."

The following men assume the rank of Major under this order:

### PLAN TO SERVE MESS TO MEN IN THEIR TENTS.

Officers Working on Scheme to Save Soldiers Extra Steps.

High officers of Camp Wadsworth are now working on a plan by which all meals will be served to the men in their own tents. The serving will be done by waiters, not members of the company, and individual tables will be set in each tent, four tables to a tent. Victrolas will furnish music.

The officers who are promoting the plan say that their only desire is to save the men the trouble of having to walk up to the mess hall three times a day to get their meals. The *Gas Attack* announces the details of the plan as follows:
Attention Soldiers

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BIJOU AND
RIALTO

FOR
Red Blooded Thrilling
AND Classy Motion Pictures

AND TO THE
STRAND
For Musical Comedy

TO THE
HARRIS
For Keith Vaudeville

Your Deposits AND
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We will be as watchful of your deposits, as though they were our own funds. Our policy, that our customers' interests come first, is "Safety Insurance" for you. Form the habit of dropping in the bank when in town. It is an asset for us both.

CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK
SPARTANBURG, S. C.

We Know How
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KLEANING ALTERING
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COMING
Monday and Tuesday
Jan. 28th and 29th,
Mary Garden in "Thais"
A supreme revelation to the Motion Picture patron

Try To Get In
The Gas Attacks That Are Coming!

For the next issue, and others to follow, The Gas Attack announces an extensive program of features.

There will be a new series of articles on interesting personalities in camp—men who are either doing things in the division or else are fascinating factors in themselves. This series will be called "Note-worthy Men in Camp." Watch for it.

There will appear in the next number an unusual article by a well-known commissioned officer of camp. "Foolish Fashions—in the Army and Elsewhere," is the title of the article. It is the sort of story you don't read every day.

There will also appear, in the issues to follow, a more varied array of news from division units.

There will be more pictures. Some of the artists have already made their mark in the world outside the reservation. All of them can draw distinctive illustrations. We take pleasure in announcing them:

- Pvt. Lauren Stout, Co. E, 107th Inf.
- Pvt. Karl Illava, 102nd M. P.
- Pvt. William Knipe, 107th Inf.
- Pvt. Ed Neal, Co. M, 106th
- Pvt. Dick J. Kennedy, 102nd Supply Train.

The Incinerator Page will burn more briskly than ever. Lieut. Edward Streeter, of the 52nd F. A. Bridge, will continue the series of A Soldier's Letter to His Sweetheart, which have scored a smashing hit. Bill's phrase, "That's me all over, Mable," has already travelled to the four corners of the United States, and Hoboken, too.

Ethelburt Jollyback, Private, will continue to write, in his inimitable style, the stirring events that befall him. You can't keep Ethelburt from having ideas! And he will forward them to The Gas Attack through Pvt. Charles Divine, our associate editor. From time to time Pvt. Divine will also contribute poems and sketches.

The editorials will be written, largely, by the editor, who signs himself "R. E. C.," and who will now and then dash off one of those intensely solemn stories which, despite all he can do, make some people snicker right in front of the Captain! Such a story as "On the Good Old Pea and Hen," which appeared in No. 7.

We hope to be able to maintain in our magazine, sketches and articles from the vivid pencil of Pvt. Walter A. Davenport, who was of Co. M, 107th Inf., until he was forced to go to the Officer's Training School.

That's a general survey of what you're going to get from our leading artists and contributors. But there will be other contributors, too. We want to add new ones to our list from week to week. The more, the merrier.

The next number of The Gas Attack will be No. 11. It's a lucky number, you know. But it'll be unlucky for you if you fail to get one.

Considering the array of talent (and the high cost of paper, ink and labor) we believe that our new price—ten cents a copy—is a bargain. We do not believe that any dime you spend in camp will bring you more than the dime you pay for your weekly Gas Attack.