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(THE BLUE RIDGE DIVISION) HEADQUARTERS HAMILTON, P. C.

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE 80TH DIVISION—PAST OR PRESENT, RELATIVES—OR ANY PERSON INTERESTED.

This letter is addressed to you in order to supply information relative to the forthcoming History of the 80th Division.

It has been decided by the Division Association to publish a large one-volume History of approximately 500 pages which will embrace a comprehensive, representative and authoritative record of the 80th Division in camp and overseas. The book will be profusely illustrated with maps and photographs descriptive of all phases of the Division's training period and combat service, and will include numerous important features, among them being the official Divisional casualty list, both American and Foreign decorations, all War Department, G. H. Q. A. E. F., Divisional and Brigade citations, Embarkation and Debarkation tables, lists of Division personnel captured by the enemy, statements of prisoners and material taken, enemy units engaged, advances made, station lists in the A. E. F., strength reports, rosters, commendatory orders and messages, and much material never before published.

The volume will constitute a complete narrative, the full and authentic story of operations and achievements of the Division that "Always moved forward," a credit to the Eightieth, an enduring monument to its heroic dead and a valuable memento for every man who served with it at any time. Its ultimate success must depend largely upon the measure of your support and co-operation.

A Divisional History Committee has been formed, and its members have agreed to undertake the assembling of the necessary data and compilation of the History gratuitously. Much progress, extending over the past two years, has already been made and it is expected to have the volume ready for distribution during the next year. The expense of organization and preliminary work has been underwritten by members and friends of the Division, and we are assured of a book meriting your approval and subscription.

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RUSSELL L. STULTZ, Chairman,
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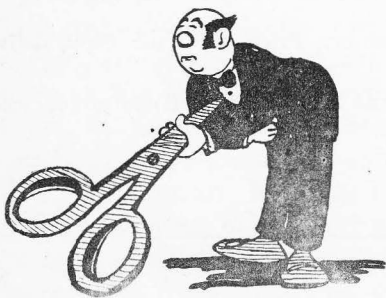
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THE 80th DIVISION "ALWAYS MOVES FORWARD"

A Page From Blue Ridge History

An Account of a Memorable Meeting on the Eve of the Argonne Drive

By RUSSELL L. STULTZ, Historian

(NOTE—Beginning with this issue, "A Page From Blue Ridge History" will be a regular feature of SERVICE MAGAZINE. It will be the endeavor of the department to describe some of the most historic dates and incidents in the history of the Division in order that their significance may be properly emphasized at this time. Contributions are invited from our readers.—R. L. S.)

The following article, borrowed from Lieut. Col. Ashby Williams, "Experiences of the Great War," recounts an historic meeting of Blue Ridge chieftians on the eve of the Meuse-Argonne offensive:

"THE MEETING BEFORE THE DRIVE"



"Shortly after noon word came that there would be a meeting at four o'clock (I think it was) of the officers of the division down to and including Battalion Commanders in the quarters of the Brigade Commander about a kilometer distant from Borrus wood, just outside the town of Germonville. I remember Colonel Peyton, Major Holt, Major Emory, and I went in the Colonel's car. General Brett's "quarters" in a protected system that had evidently been built by the French during the great battle of Verdun. I remember Lieutenant Benny Weisblat met us at the opening and showed us into the room on the right to wait for General Brett, who was busy. There was a fire in the room and it was very comfortable. Presently General Brett came in and shook hands with us all around. He said, "Peyton, I just wanted to have you assure me that everything is in readiness." Colonel Peyton replied, "Yes, sir, we are all set." "That's all I wanted to hear you say," said General Brett, "and I am satisfied that everything is all right."

In a few minutes we were shown into a larger room where the meeting was to be held. Many of the officers had already arrived, and pretty soon the room was filled with officers sitting on benches around a great table that reached from one end of the room to the other. General Cronkhite sat at the head of the table and General Brett at his right, Colonel Spalding, the Division Engineer, sat at the foot of the table and I sat at his right, and then Major Holt, Colonel Peyton and Major O'Bear, Major Emory and many others.

When we all got seated at the table, there was a moment or two of suppressed

excitement, a calm before a storm, as we waited to hear what General Cronkhite was about to announce.

"Gentlemen," he said, "'H' hour is 5:30 to-morrow morning."

I think every man's heart beat a little faster at that announcement; at least mine did. It was especially annoying to have to listen to it beat in the silence that followed the announcement. That meant that we were going over the top at 5:30 the

inch pieces) were to open up only a short time before "H" hour so as not to give the Hun a chance to locate their positions.

When he had finished he turned to General Brett and said, "Brett, I do not ask if you are ready, I know you are. Have you anything to say?" General Brett had nothing to say.

General Cronkhite then took out his watch and said, "Gentlemen, I have synchronized my watch with corps. It is now four minutes after five."

There was a tense silence that followed as each officer took out his watch and set it by the General's time.

After that General Cronkhite said: "Gentlemen, we have reached the time we have all been looking for, we are about to engage in the most serious business ever undertaken by man, and no one can tell who will come out of it. Gentlemen, may God be with you."

A LITTLE CHAT ON THE HISTORY Have You Subscribed for Your Copy? If

Not, Don't Procrastinate Longer

Of the 40,000 officers and men who, at one time or another, served with the 80th Division, approximately 800 have subscribed to date to the Division History. These figures mean that one of every 50 members of the Division have retained and preserved enough of the old contacts and associations to prompt their tangible support of the 80th's greatest peace-time undertaking. The showing, while by no means what it should be, is encouraging to those who are giving freely of their time and efforts that every Blue Ridger may possess a permanent record of his Division's activities and operations in the World War. However, 800 advance subscriptions are not sufficient to finance the production of a publication of the magnitude contemplated in the Division History and the number should be readily doubled from among active membership of the Division Association. Every Blue Ridger will eventually wish to possess a copy of his Division's History, and the limited edition planned means that the only certain method of obtaining a copy is by filing your subscription in advance.

A detailed statement of all receipts and expenditures by the History Committee will appear in the next issue of SERVICE, in order that our subscribers and readers may acquire an intelligent understanding of the present condition of the History Fund. Before this statement is published, let every individual who has not yet subscribed aid

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RICE ON THE TRAINSHED FLOOR

By C. E. GRUNDISH

Youth and Love have fled this way,
Carefree.
Leaving behind them a trail of rice,
Being ground to powder
By hundreds of hurrying feet.
Why all the rush?
There'll be other trains tomorrow.

With a shudder, a growl, a jerk,
The Manhattan Limited got under-
way—
Leaving behind it, Youth and Love—
Leaving behind it, hundreds, thou-
sands
Of hurrying feet,
Grinding to bits the beads of rice
On the trainshed floor.

The papers next day
Told all about it.
Money talks in the society columns
Of our dailies anyhow.
But I remembered the rice
And the hundreds of feet, hurrying
feet,
Dashing here, dashing there—
Damn it, if I was a gateman,
I'd go crazy.

next morning. It was a time that we had vaguely thought of at Ft. Myer, we had spoken of it at Camp Lee, and had even contemplated it while in training on this side of the water; but here it was now, a real, living, throbbing thought that in less than twelve hours we would go under an actual barrage and bare our breasts to the fire of the enemy's guns and maybe the steel of his bayonet. Indeed this was a time to listen to the heart beat to see if it was really in tune for the serious business.

General Cronkhite went over with us the question of our preparations; he spoke of the extent and purpose of the offensive and our part in it; and he spoke particularly about the nature of the barrage and the reasons for it. The big guns were to begin at 11:30 that night, but the small ones (that is, the division artillery of three and six-

When We Go Back to France

Yes, You and I, Sooner or Later, Will Stage a Return to the A. E. F. Land

By RUSSELL L. STULTZ

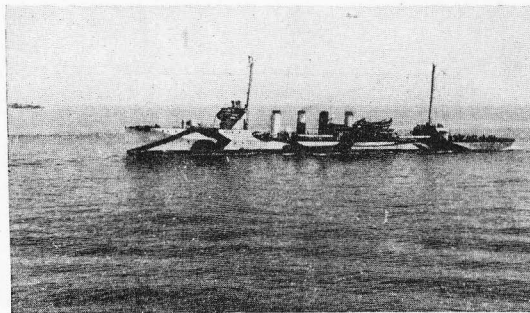
ONE of the final acts of the fifth annual convention of the Blue Ridge Division in Pittsburgh, Aug. 29th, was the adoption of a resolution sponsored by the writer authorizing the new Executive Council to examine into the feasibility of a Divisional pilgrimage to the old haunts and battle-fields of the A. E. F. in France, particularly to those areas and sectors occupied by the 80th, and to report their findings and recommendations to the next annual reunion in Clarksburg, W. Va.

Following our initial remarks in a recent issue of SERVICE suggesting such a tour, numerous comrades in attendance upon the last convention warmly endorsed the proposal and expressed a keen desire to join a group or party in renewing contact and acquaintance with the scenes of our former triumphs, our hopes and despairs, watchful waiting, rabbit orgies, vin blanc parties, mademoiselles, promenades et what-not.

True, the arduous business of keeping a few jumps ahead of the sheriff in the Home Sector may have dulled the edge of our memories, or perchance, the Puritanical trends and atmosphere cramping natural instincts have rendered us immune to the call of other days, other ways, when men were masculine and not ashamed of the distinction. However, regardless of the chastening influences dominating post-Armistice existence, the chances favor each and every mother's son of us subtly yearning for just one more peek into the France we never could and never expect to understand; just one more hike over the war-scarred soil of Picardy and through the maimed forests of the Argonne; just one more view of the old front line that is no longer a line, but a peaceful, reconstructed country-side; just one more chance to spend that forbidden week-end in *gai Paroe*, free from the lurking dangers of hard-boiled M. P's. Or, perhaps, our memories have been born of such fitful experiences that each individual conceals a dormant longing to re-discover the homely, picturesque highways and by-ways that but a few brief years ago echoed the cadence of countless hobs as they shortened the unmeasurable kilometres; or your objective may be the path to *Madame's* lowly, hospitable *maison*; you may be one of those who will first seek the billet made endurable by Ernestine's dazzling smiles, or who will search the region once characterized as "the front" for obscure traces of the

bivvy or dug-out which meant comparative safety to you and your buddy during those hazardous autumn days of '18.

Whatever the motive impelling a desire to re-visit that expanse of Mother Earth which we know to have been falsely labeled "Sunny France," the dream remains with us and will continue to linger, if we



"U. S. S. SIBONEY"

are normal Americans and human, until it has become a reality. Who of us does not nurse a vision of the day when he can return "Over There," who is not secretly hoping the necessary opportunity and *francs* will somehow materialize eventually? "What say, soldier?" The desire is markedly accentuated as we chance upon some comrade more lucky and "just back from France" when attending our annual reunions; who of you does not recall the tense interest and attention with which you heard the remarks of a member of the Battle Monuments Commission, at the Divisional banquet in Pittsburgh, when he told his audience that "he had found the *cognac* just as wet and the *mademoiselles* just as *chic* as they used to be" on the occasion of his trip with the Commission overseas last summer? Neither attraction enumerated may have personally appealed to you, yet the information was stimulating in its assurances that no changes have despoiled the land of A. E. F. memories.

Symbolic of the spirit urging the ex-Gobs, Doughboys and Leather-necks to return to the fields of their historic conquests, to the country and people to whom we dedicated two years of supreme strength and effort, was the message sent to General Pershing recently by General John H. Dunn, of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, following the 25th National Encampment of that organization and reading:

"We are hoping that a second invasion of France, may be made by our comrades in 1927, and that this peacetime expeditionary force will be led by you."

Such expression of this sentiment has likewise been made by the American Legion, which now has before it a proposal to hold its tenth annual convention in Paris in 1928 on the tenth anniversary of the Armistice, and a number of Divisional bodies. With the passage of each year the desire among the veterans to make this peacetime pilgrimage overseas under conditions markedly different from those characterizing the original becomes increasingly manifest. Apart from the promptings to revive the experiences and associations that have stamped their indelible impress upon each of us for all time, there has come a wish to learn more of the France—the people, their language, home life, customs and ideals—than was vouchsafed a vast majority of the members of the A. E. F. from the hasty, often incomplete, impressions obtainable under the stress and pressure of military exigencies and restrictions.

As an indication of the growing tendency to refresh former contacts and dimming memories, it may be cited here that veterans from about thirty States went to France, last summer under the plan originated by the United States Lines, operating Government-owned passenger ships, whereby an inclusive price is charged for the entire trip, which includes a tour of the battle-fields. These excursions have been made extremely attractive, both in the matter of francs and itineraries, \$275 being the tax for a thirty-day trip and \$300 for a trip of five weeks. These amounts cover all cost of transportation and all living and traveling expenses while on French soil. (It should be superfluous to add that refreshments are not classed as necessary expenses, but as luxuries!)

A feature of the excursions outlined is the personal service that leaves nothing for the *missionnaire* to worry about—muster, abandon ship and "setting up" exercises are merely details to forget, while staterooms and dining saloons have replaced the night-mares encountered in 1917-18-19. The veteran is in the hands of Americans—and friends—from the time he bids adieu to the Goddess of Liberty until he returns to New York. While all railroad, billeting and battle-field arrangements are made for him in advance, as of yore, hectic visions of "40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux," odorous stables and "zero hours" will vanish as the traveler clammers into "une premiere
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"Little Bobbie"

Orphan of France and Soldat of the 80th Division

By BURG C. CLARK



HE histories of all wars contain many unwritten pages which never come to light until the actors who played a leading part in the drama have marched on into the "Great Beyond" and the part they played has either been forgotten or passed into the realm of fable and fiction.

The great general who writes his memoirs writes of armies, of sectors, terrains, and the thousand and one technicalities of military life. He deals with men in general terms or with contemporaries. Details and individuals are minor considerations which his long years of training have taught him to disregard in order to devote his attention to essentials.

The private of the army seldom writes memoirs or history, except as he does it with the rifle or bayonet. His story of the war is restricted to his own experiences, and that of his immediate comrades. If he was a real soldier, he is generally reticent except to his "Buddies" for he has no desire to be placed in the "Hero Limelight." He remembers too many greater Heroes who did not come back.

The "Drummer Boy" of the Civil war has seized a place in our imagination, and has justly been celebrated in the literature of our Nation. Perhaps the grandfathers of the men who served in the "Blue-Ridge" Division in France, were "Drummer Boys" in some instances. In any case, they served in opposing armies, the men from Virginia and below the Mason-Dixon line under Lee and from Pennsylvania and West Virginia under Grant. Their grandsons fought shoulder to shoulder in the great battles of the St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne under the insignia of the 80th Division. Why not ask them if the "Drummer Boy" had a counterpart in the A. E. F.?

It seems that he did, but not under that title. Styles change in war as in dress. The fife and drum may still sound their inspiring notes upon the parade ground, but the Argonne troops moved forward to the greater music of the heavy artillery, the drone of aeroplanes above, the rat-tat-tat of machine guns ahead and the crash of exploding shrapnel and high explosive. Barbed-wire tangled thickets, gas-masks, trenches and mud cannot be remedied by the roll of drums.

The Yank has a weakness for mascots and children. Four years of war had left France with many orphans who developed a sturdy self-reliance in taking care of themselves. They had lost both Father and Mother and the big-hearted Yank,

thinking perhaps of his own little ones away back in America, tried to make it up to them. In the training areas, the children never lacked for food, candy and daddies. They adopted the "American Soldat" and did not stop at one, but adopted the whole company.

Such was the case of Bobbie Seeuws, born in Paris, whose mother died when he was a baby and whose father gave his life for France.

(NOTE—The Following Letter Was Received By The Editor Since Preparing This Article)

To all Buddies who remember "Little Bobby," Mascot of the 80th M. P. Co. This is to appeal to our Buddies for each one to contribute a little money to help pay "Bobby's" expenses over here next Spring. A letter from him just received states that he is being discharged from the French Army on the 15th of December. He has put in his full time and now he wants to come over to America. His pay did not enable him to save anything during his time in the French Army. The lad is eager to come to America if each Buddy would contribute a little something it would help to cover his expenses to come over here, which is around \$150. Donations can be sent to the Secretary of the 80th Division Veterans Association or to the address below. All amounts will be accounted for and each one who has contributed will receive a card from him upon his arrival here.

Yours in Comradship,
HARRY P. KURTZ,
care of Spring Garden Institute,
Broad and Spring Sts.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Little Bobbie strayed far from his birthplace, and September, 1918, found him in Tronville, Department of Meuse, close to the battle area, when the Blue-Ridgers arrived preparing to move up and take part in the St. Mihiel Offensive. Bobbie was impressed with the authority and appearance of the 305th Military Police Company of the Division. He watched the tall Pennsylvanians and Virginians as they directed the crowded traffic at the cross roads and decided that it was a good "outfit" to join. He found a friend in Corporal Elmer W. Carr, and in Harry Kurtz of Philadelphia. These two "Buddies" decided that the first thing a "Soldat" and Mascot needed was a uniform. A few days later the Quartermaster Sergeant had difficulty in straightening out his report. A complete uniform

was missing in action. It was by no means the first one that he could not account for. He "cussed" out his corporal for not keeping his eyes open, and forgot about it.

Bobbie appeared a few days later after the Company Tailor had had several mysterious conferences with him, as an "American Soldat," overseas cap, blouse, wrapped leggins, hobnailed shoes and everything. He threw his shoulders back, cocked his cap in the approved angle over the left eye, swaggered down the street and distained to notice the lowly "Frogs."

Bobbie became the most popular member of the Company. His military education progressed by leaps and bounds. His vocabulary of American slang grew apace. He learned to have the proper contempt for Second Looies and Top Sergeants. He never bothered about passes, and his salutes to unpopular officers brought joy to the "Bucks." The little detail of mustering him into the United States Army was overlooked.

The Order came for the Blue-Ridgers to prepare for action. The division was to move up into the St. Mihiel. Bobbie must be left behind—there would be "dirty work at the crossroads." He was given presents and bribed to stay until his company came back. Bobbie was a casual—nobody wanted him. He rubbed a grimy hand into his eye, then came to a snappy salute as the company marched away.

The next evening a diminutive figure in olive-drab scrambled from the rear of a truck load of "Corned Willy." Walking up to the M. P. at the corner, he inquired "What outfit Mac?"

"305th M. P.'s"

"Attaboy" and Bobbie went in search of the kitchen for a "handout of slum."

From then on, Bobbie accompanied his "outfit," through the St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne Battles, bearing the same hardships and dangers, learning to hunt cover when the shells got too "hot," and proudly assisting in guarding the prisoners as they were marched back from the front. He was an M. P. and the 305th M. P.'s; 80th Division, were like no other M. P.'s which ever served in "This Man's Army." If one was not convinced, name your weapons and Bobbie would show you the war was not over.

After the American troops sailed for home, Bobbie continued to remember his Buddies, and regularly writes to Harry Kurtz, formerly of the 305th M. P., 80th Division at Philadelphia. Harry wrote to

"Little Bobbie"

him last December, inviting him to the Annual Reunion of the 80th Division, and his verbatim reply is given below:

"My dear old Friend Harry:—I was very pleased to hear from you today. I wrote you already many times, but I never knew if you got my letters. I am not more a Corporal now, but since the last December I'm a Sergeant, so I'm much better, but not for the money, as we don't get more than one franc, seventy-five centimes a day. You ask me since when I'm in the Army. I'll tell you that I'm here since the 15th February, 1922.

"I will have 40 days leave in the year 1924, and if I had money enough I would be very pleased to go and see you over there, but it is too dear for me and I must wait my time to end. I will be very pleased to receive your tobacco, if you can send me some, because everything is very dear over here. I do hope old friend my letter will find you and your wife O. K., and in very good health. I hope to hear very soon from you.

"You asked me where I am in Germany. I'm not very far from Essen in a very little city we call Herdeckes. It is not very nice. We don't enjoy ourselves very much. Everything is too dear and the life very hard, chiefly when we don't get any money for what we would like to do.

"Now I will close, hoping you and your

wife will have a very happy Xmas and that you will have a very good time.

"Now I send you my best souvenirs of comradeship and remain,

"Sincerely, your Old Pal Bobbie.

R. SEEUWS, *Sergeant*,

"150th Rgt. d' Inf. 3e. Cie. Mses.,

"S. P. 27,

"A. F. Ruhr."

It will be seen that Bobbie knows the "American Language." He writes entirely in english and uses very good penmanship.

A letter to Harry Kurtz, dated July 24, 1924, from Remschied, is even more interesting and indicates that Bobbie is holding up the best American traditions in the French Army. It is given below:

"Dear Harry and Edna:—I received your letter of 2nd July, and I write you a few lines to let you know that I am in good health and hope with my best wishes that both of you are the same.

"I am not Sergeant any more. I have give it one distribution of slap to one Lieutenant because he has said to me that the American Soldiers was not courageous in the War Time, and that he will to see another war to kill some of you. You know, Harry, that I will not let him said that. I am a American and not Frog! And so quick I'll have finished my service you see me soon over the old good U. S.

A. I can't see anymore the French people. You know that you are friends with them for a moment—but not forever, like you are the Americans. Since now I take myself for a American boy!!!! (punctuation is Bobbie's). Not lawful for me, but I said so. Do you believe me Harry and Edna, I'll sure think right.

"I tell you that I know in Dusseldorf one American boy and his wife are there since 1922 or 23. I do not know exactly, but I will talk to them about it when I see them soon as I can. I am waiting for your picture, but hope she will come soon. I am now in a new regiment, French Soldiers, but I don't care, I have the American idea and hope to hear from you soon.

"My best wishes of good health and good friendship,

"Your old Friend,

"BOBBIE.

"R. Seeuws, Soldat,
"23d Regt. D' Inf.,
"3d. Comp.,
"S. P. 3,
"A. F. R."

Evidently Bobbie's "distribution of one slap to one Lieutenant" resulted in the loss of his Sergeant's stripes, and Bobbie is now just plain "Soldat" or "Buck," but nevertheless he has "The American Idea"—Three Cheers for Bobbie-Soldier, 80th Division, U. S. A.!

When We Go Back to France

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classe" for the ride inland from the coast, later "couches" in the best afforded by a real hotel, and arises next morning—not to the call of reveille and "roll packs" preliminary to the daily start of the "hob-nail express," but to enter a touring car once reserved for stars, eagles and such, and start in lordly manner for an inspection of that region still dubbed "the front."

In marked contrast with the unhospitable military reception accorded many O. D. strangers in Paris during the regime of the A. E. F., a special bureau is now maintained in the French capital for the accommodation and convenience of the visitors throughout their stay in the city. Seems too good to be true, eh, buddy?

The battle-field tours have been arranged to give veterans an opportunity to visit those points and areas where he saw service while overseas. These parties when touring the front are invariably accompanied by Americans, and generally by French army officials. The tours include in addition to the American sectors the principal points where the French and British experienced their hardest fighting.

The French Government has sanctioned these veterans' tours by waiving passports and visas for all ex-service men. The French nation and the French people generally, have so far co-operated wholeheartedly in welcoming the survivors of the A. E. F. back to French soil, and in providing special entertainment for them while they are there (The average Blue Ridger is a man capable of supplying his own particular requirements in the way of diversion, hence no heavy demands will presumably be made upon the drill-table brand).

The tours being conducted this year will continue until December 6th, the last sailing of the good ship, "Leviathan" for 1924. Tours for the 1925 season will start early in the spring, continuing at regular intervals until next December. It is stated that present indications point to many thousands of veterans making the trip over the battle-fields next spring and summer.

Several Divisions are planning to hold reunions in France next year, and the U. S. Shipping Board will work out special itineraries for each. The members of these units will travel in a body, and it is ex-

pected that the entire quarters set aside on the Governments boats for the exclusive use of veterans will be taken over by these Divisional movements. It is reported that many of the men are planning to take their wives and mothers with them, relatives being permitted to go on the same terms, the price of a passport and visa being the only additional expense. Since it is a safe bet that only a man who is securely wedded and "mother-in-lawed" from the distance of five years will risk inviting complications and explanations by having them accompany him back to his scene of combat, advice for veterans on honeymoons bent might be summed up in a single admonition—"Don't!"

Observance of the sixth anniversary of the Armistice this month awakes anew thoughts and recollections of the eventful days spent rendering man's fullest measure of service to his fellow-men "Over There;" the occasion reopens warm, yet often passive, memories of the buddy who remained behind when we returned "Over Here"—it enables us to acquire a full realization of the true significance and meaning of

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Soldier Legislation

What is Proposed—Expected—and What is Being Urged in the Interest of The Veteran and His Family From the Government

By JOHN THOMAS TAYLOR, Chairman N. L. Committee A. L.



THIRTY-two resolutions calling for specific legislation by the Congress to improve the condition of our disabled, were adopted by the Sixth National Convention of the American Legion. Thirty of

these called for amendments to the Reed-Johnson Bill (The World War Veterans Act, 1924). One concerned the administration of soldiers homes, and the other called for additional beds in permanent modern fireproof Veterans' Bureau hospitals.

The President in his annual message at the opening of the Congress, referred specifically to this program, stating that with many of the proposals he joined in hearty approval, and commended them all to the sympathetic investigation and consideration of the Congress.

The thirty resolutions affecting the Reed-Johnson Bill required 51 specific amendments to that measure, affecting 18 sections of the law. Following the original draft of this amendatory measure, it was carefully analyzed by Watson B. Miller, chairman of the Legion's National Rehabilitation Committee, who submitted its various provisions to experts at the U. S. Veterans' Bureau for their consideration.

The measure was then re-drafted and submitted to Representative Royal C. Johnson, of South Dakota, chairman of the House Committee on World War Veterans' Legislation, and to Senator David A. Reed of Pennsylvania, active head of the sub-committee of the Senate Finance Committee, which considers veterans legislation in the upper House. Chairman Johnson introduced the bill on December 4, 1924, where it is now H. R. 10271. Senator Reed introduced it in the Senate where it is known as S. 3582. These two bills are identical and are in the exact form prepared by The Legion.

Last year's experience in the final drafting of the Reed-Johnson Bill emphasized the necessity for close co-operation between the Veterans Committees in the House and

the Senate, in order that major provision of disabled legislation may not be written by Conference Committees which have been appointed to resolve the different theories on disabled legislation emanating from the House and the Senate. Both Senator Reed

This is a distinct step in advance and should be welcomed by all interested in adequate legislation for the proper care and treatment of disabled veterans.

Chairman Johnson has appointed four sub-committees of the House Committee on World War Veterans Legislation to consider various phases of legislation affecting the disabled now pending in the lower House. Meetings of these sub-committees will be held, and hearings begun, immediately following the holiday recess of the Congress.

Senator Reed, as the active head of this Committee will begin Committee hearings immediately following the holiday recess. The Senate Committee, as a whole, will consider all the measures affecting the disabled, and will not be divided into sub-committees for special consideration of individual subjects as has been provided in the House.

The following is a detailed analysis of legislation affecting the disabled, pending in both Houses.

The Johnson Bill, H. R. 10271, in the House, and the Reed Bill, S. 3582 in the Senate contains 51 amendments to 18 sections of the Reed-Johnson Bill.

SECTION 19

This section governs the manner in which suit may be brought against the Government on insurance claims.

The provisions of the present law for the bringing of such suits are so complicated and difficult, that claimants entitled to the benefits of the insurance have been put to unnecessarily great expense, hardship and delay in securing a settlement of their just claims.

The proposed amendment simplifies the procedure. It further provides that interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum shall be paid to the claimant on the judgment of the Court, and that if the suit is successful, the attorney's fees of the plaintiff shall be paid by the Govern-

THOUGHTS FER A DISCOURAGED DOUGHBOY

By HENRY R. CURRY

*There's a heap o' tribulation fer the like o' you and me
That once soldiered in a famous fight fer World Democracy:
Us what marched along so proudly—ready then to do or die—
Some what left a host of loved ones, some 'at had no one to cry.
Heroes all, is what they called us, as we rallied to the cause,
Everyone seemed bent on giving and a-playing Santa Clause:
E'en the Boss felt sort o' kindly—said, "Your job will still be
here:"
But that fellow that's now got it, 'tends to keep it, too, I fear.*

*Then another thing what happened an' it 'pears as queer to me,
Fer the things 'at we wuz fightin' fer, to change with victory.
'Course the statesmen must be smarter an' I jes' suppose they're
right—
Else they never would permitted us to go away to fight.
'Course we hear a lot o' talk about the greedy profiteers
While Reds and Japs and Bolshevicks keep adding to our fears,
Yet the honor roll that tells the world I went away to war
Shines out in polished splendor from beside the factory door.*

*Now I aint so good at figgerin' out the problems of this life,
Keeps me scratchin' an' a-humpin' fer the kiddies 'n the wife:
And there ain't no war-time profits fer a linin' of my purse—
To fester at my conscience or perhaps do even worse.
I can even keep it secret when a slacker happens near
That I went across and soldiered while he lingered over here.
Wars are sponsored and forgotten, with the passing of the day.
By those who reap the profits, in an ornery sort o' way.*

*There's a heap o' tribulation fer the likes o' you and me,
That once soldiered in a famous fight fer World Democracy.
But memory of a little town where once we made our stand,
Cannot be bought by absentees—with all the wealth at hand—
Nor can each noble sacrifice of Buddies over there
Be e'er effaced from history's page by those who do not care.
I'd rather have my children look me proudly in the eye,
Than hang their heads in shame for one who was afraid to die.*

and Representative Johnson now recognize the disadvantages of "conference legislation," and arrangements will be made between these two Committee heads for active co-operation during the consideration of the legislation in the Senate and the House.

Soldier Legislation

ment, instead of by the plaintiff as required at present.

SECTION 23

This section specifically excludes from all benefits under the present law, those veterans who were convicted by court martial for certain offenses, resulting in their dismissal from the service. This provision has accordingly worked a hardship where a veteran had served honorably during the World War, incurred disability therein, but has yet been denied the law's benefits for this disability, because of his dismissal in another enlistment.

Accordingly, the proposed amendment would broaden this section to allow to a veteran the benefits of compensation or maintenance and support allowance for disabilities incurred in, or aggravated by service in an enlistment other than the one which resulted in his discharge or dismissal.

SECTION 26

The proposed amendment to this section is to take care of the many cases where veterans have died with small amounts due and unpaid them by the Veterans Bureau. These amounts are usually of importance to the relatives of the deceased veterans, but cannot be collected now because of the prohibitive expense of administration. In most cases the deceased does not leave any other assets.

This amendment proposes, therefore, that payments of compensation, yearly renewable term insurance or accrued maintenance and support allowance, which have not been paid prior to the death of the person entitled to receive them, may, where the amount is \$500 or less, be paid direct to the following persons in the order named: widow, child, mother, father, sister or brother.

SECTION 28

Overpayments by the Veterans' Bureau are occasionally made to beneficiaries who do not know they are receiving more money than they are entitled to receive at that time, under the particular section of the law, regulation or disability rating governing their cases at the time they receive the money.

By the time the Bureau discovers it has made overpayment, the beneficiary has usually spent the money in question, and recovery of it from him works a hardship, because it must be deducted from future Bureau payments, and thus reduces his income under the present law. Considerable leeway in recovery by the Bureau has been allowed in this respect.

It is the purpose of this proposed amendment to correct this situation and to allow recovery of overpayments to beneficiaries by the Bureau only where in the judgment of the Director, the beneficiary is at fault in receiving the payments.

SECTION 29

This amendment proposes that the receipts from all sales, leases or exchanges made by the Veterans' Bureau shall be covered into the appropriation from or on account of which the collection is made, and shall be available for the purpose of such appropriation.

The present law requires that the proceeds of these sales shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States as miscellaneous receipts.

SECTION 200

This is the governing section of the Act for eligibility to compensation. The new bill carries two proposed amendments.

One, that no alleged willful misconduct shall bar a claimant from any benefit of compensation unless a conviction by court martial for the alleged offense can be shown. This would rectify many injustices caused by the present law.

The other amendment would correct the present discrimination against patients in hospitals other than Veterans' Bureau hospitals, where the veteran is suffering from paralysis, paresis, blindness or constitutional dues requiring hospitalization as a result of disease.

Through an interpretation of the present law, beneficiaries of the Bureau being maintained in hospitals other than those actually operated by the Bureau (because of the shortage of Bureau hospitals) have been denied compensation for the disabilities enumerated, although beneficiaries lucky enough to be maintained in Veterans' Bureau hospitals are receiving compensation for these identical disabilities.

Both proposed amendments are made retroactive to April 6, 1917.

SECTION 201

Under this section it is proposed to increase the monthly compensation for a deceased veteran's dependents in the following manner:—

(a) For a widow, but no child, from \$30 to \$50.

(b) For a widow and one child, from \$40 to \$60, and \$10 for each additional child.

(c) For one child (but no widow) from \$20 to \$35.

(d) For two children (but no widow) from \$30 to \$55.

(e) For three children (but no widow) from \$40 to \$65, and \$10 for each additional child.

(f) For a dependent mother or dependent father from \$20 to \$50, or for both from \$30 to \$75.

SECTION 201—SUBDIVISION 1

This section of the law provides payments in different amounts for the burial for three classes of persons as follows:—

Soldiers who die before separation from the service.

Veterans who die following separation from the service.

Veterans who die while receiving from the Bureau compensation or vocational training.

This section is amended to provide for funeral, as well as burial expenses of soldiers who die before discharge or resignation, and the sum available for this purpose is increased from \$100 to \$150.

For a veteran who dies following his separation from the service, the increase in the sums to be paid by the Veterans' Bureau are proposed as follows:—

From \$5 to \$7 for a flag to drape the casket.

From \$100 to \$200 for burial and funeral expenses.

In addition, the restriction is eliminated which requires that these sums shall be paid only where a veteran does not leave sufficient funds to meet the expenses of his burial.

The present requirements for Veterans' Bureau burial payments "does not leave sufficient assets to meet the expenses of his burial" are so hedged about with regulations, that the law has not been workable in many instances. The proposed amendment would correct this situation.

The latter sums would also be paid for a veteran who dies while receiving compensation or vocational training. Burial payments under the present law are made for this class of veteran without reference to his indigency.

SECTION 201—SUBDIVISION 7

This section under the present law entitles a widow or parent to receive compensation on account of the death of more than one person. The proposed amendment would broaden this to allow compensation for the death "or disability" of more than one person.

SECTION 202—SUBDIVISION 2

The proposed amendment to this section provides that a veteran with a tuberculous disease of compensable degree, hospitalized for a period of one year, and who, in the judgment of the Director has reached a condition of complete arrest of his disease, and who has been or who shall be discharged from further hospitalization, shall receive for life a compensation rating of not less than temporary partial fifty per centum.

SECTION 202—SUBDIVISION 3

The amendment to this sub-division provides that the same family allowances now payable under a temporary total disability, will be also payable under a total and permanent disability rating.

In addition, this proposed amendment would materially benefit veterans suffering from a tuberculous disease of compensable degree, who have been hospitalized for a

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What the Papers Said About the Fifth Reunion

Editorial Comment By the Pittsburgh Dailies on the Eightieth's Convention

(NOTE—Believing that many of those who were unable to attend the Division's Fifth Annual Reunion in August, will be interested in learning of Pittsburgh's sentiments for the 80th, as expressed through the columns of her leading dailies, the following editorial comment is reproduced—R. L. S.)

PITTSBURGH'S GREETINGS TO THE EIGHTIETH

(Pittsburgh Press, Aug. 27th)

PITTSBURGH extends its heartiest greetings to the Eightieth Division, American Expeditionary Forces, which gathers here for a five-day reunion today. There was no section of the vast American army in the World War which rendered more gallant service than the Eightieth, made up of the stout-hearted youth of Western Pennsylvania, and Virginia, and West Virginia.

The city is highly honored every time the Division "camps" here, for it feels as if the famous Blue Ridgers were all its own sons.

For the second time in four years the Division is with us, and the occasion is none the less notable because Maj. Gen. Cronkhite, who commanded the Division in France, and Brig. Gen. Lloyd M. Brett, who led the 319th and 320th Infantry Regiments in France, and who is national commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, will both be here in attendance at the reunion.

It goes almost without saying that the managers of the reunion will go over the top in fine shape, and that the comradeship of the next few days will recall and renew the magnificent and unforgettable comradeship of the history-making days a few years ago "over there." Meanwhile, Pittsburgh's welcome to the boys has no "ifs" or "buts" in it.

THE EIGHTIETH IS WELCOME

(Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph, Aug. 27)

The heartiest of welcomes is extended by the city of Pittsburgh, and all her inhabitants to the boys of the Eightieth Division Veterans' Association, who open today their fifth annual reunion. These brave veterans of the great war which saved civilization of the world from a return to military despotism, deserve the highest honors that can be given to them.

The Division is now holding its second session in the city, and the 15,000 Blue Ridge soldiers honoring the city with their

presence are made to feel that nowhere else could they receive heartier treatment. The many street banners, bearing the names of important engagements in which these men took part and won great victories, together with a general floating of the beloved Stars and Stripes, testify to the gallant work of the men of the Eightieth Division, of whom a very large proportion were recruited from Pittsburgh. It is hoped that perfect weather will attend the warm greeting of the population.

TRADITIONS TO CHERISH

(Pittsburgh Post, Aug. 30)

General Adelbert Cronkhite, who commanded the Eightieth Division in the World War, has given the veterans' association of that body some practical as well as sentimental advice on the matter of preserving the traditions of their training and service. What he says of the Eightieth applies in principle, of course, to all the American divisions that took part in the great struggle. All rendered glorious service to their Flag and to the cause of humanity, and a further service will be rendered by keeping such traditions fixed in the minds of the people. Among other things, General Cronkhite, said:

"I was with you from the time you first came to Camp Lee until you left foreign soil for home, having done such work as few were qualified to do, and in such a way that no men could do it better. I have spent most of my three score years with soldiers of the United States Army and I never saw a finer body of fighting men. The Eightieth Division must be perpetuated. We can make it greater and better if we get together now. And I want to see an organization of Junior Eightieth Divisioners. Call it the Eightieth Division Boy Scouts or cadets, but whatever you call it, let us bequeath to it eternal memory of the wonderful things the Eightieth has done for the honor of the flag."

What the Eightieth did is highly worthy of eternal memory and nothing should be overlooked to preserve its traditions.

THE VETERANS OF THE EIGHTIETH

(Pittsburgh Post, Aug. 27)

Pittsburgh rejoices in having again the opportunity to act as host to the members of the Eightieth Division Veterans' Association, assembled for their fifth annual re-

union, which opens to-day and will continue until Sunday evening. To a large extent this city looks upon the "Fighting Eightieth" as its own, many of its members having been recruited from here. Practically three-fifths of the Division consisted of Pennsylvanians, the others being of Virginia and West Virginia. As the Division was trained at Camp Lee, Virginia also feels that it has a particular claim to it. But Pittsburgh, is the headquarters of the Division's association of veterans, and several of the reunions of the organization have been held here. However, the pride that Pittsburgh takes in the Eightieth is simply an evidence of that of all Americans in the record of this splendid Division.

Among the first of the selective service men called to the colors, the members of the Eightieth had many months of training at Camp Lee, before being sent to Europe, to complete their preparations in the atmosphere of battle; practically all of them had had a year's training when sent to the front line for what proved to be one of the severest tests of the war. The Eightieth was sent in thrice in the operation that drove the enemy from the Argonne forest, and it also performed distinguished service in other engagements. (EDITOR'S NOTE—The 80th is officially credited with three distinct participations in the Meuse-Argonne operations).

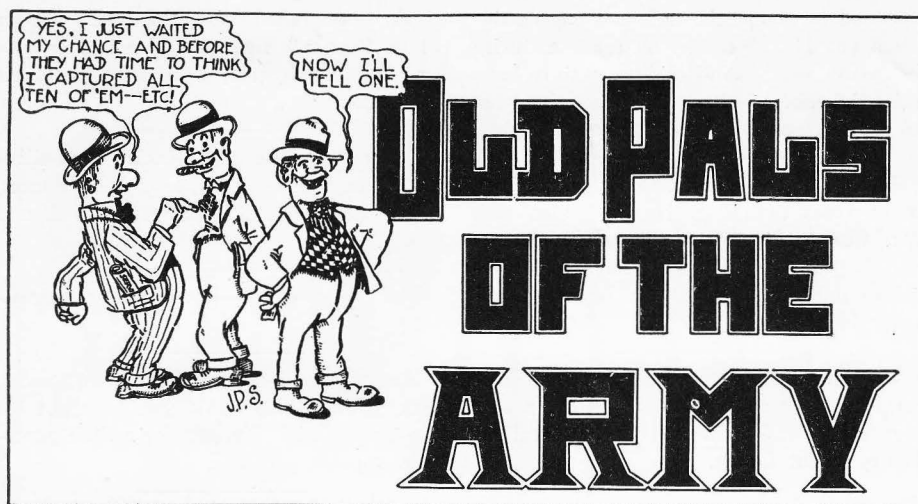
Its veterans will find that the city they have honored by selecting for its headquarters and as a reunion place, in addition to the lustre they shed upon it by their deeds on the field of battle, will ever take delight in honoring them.

CAN'T SPARE THE EIGHTIETH

(Pittsburgh Gazette-Times, Aug. 30)

"The Eightieth Division must be perpetuated," as General Cronkhite declared at the banquet of the veterans' association. The men of the Division need it and the community needs it. Whatever other organizations of World War veterans there may be, none can so well serve the men to whose fighting qualities Gen. Cronkhite paid the highest possible tribute of praise as their own Divisional association. In the camp and on the battle-field were established the ties of comradeship that will endure through life and which can be better molded for a common service than is possible through any other bonds of union.

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Tales They Tell

Dear Sir:—

I believe that you could get lots of interesting stories started for SERVICE by running a greatest thrill contest.

What I am going to relate I wouldn't consider my greatest thrill while in the army, but it was a little thrill that had somewhat of human touch to it.

I wish to say that I was with the 320th Infantry, attached to 3rd Battl. Hdqrs. as a runner. We were up for our second push in the Muese-Argonne drive and we were located just north of Nantillois called by many the hell-hole of the Muese-Argonne. On the night of October 10, 1918, the 1st & 3rd Battl. had consolidated and formed the front, both having the same Hdqrs. The front was just about 2 kilos north of Nantillois, where Regimental Hdqrs. was located. Each Battl. had two runners who carried messages to Reg. Hdqrs. The 1st Battl. runners were at Reg. Hdqrs. and the other 3rd Battl. runner and myself were at the front with Battl. Hdqrs.

Well, about 11 o'clock on the night of October 10th, we received a message to be delivered to Reg. Hdqrs. We delivered the message and we were to stay there until they had a message for the front. We were hoping to spend the night there, as Reg. Hdqrs. was located in a nice safe dug-out and we thought we might get a good night's sleep. No such luck! About 1 A. M. we received a message to be delivered to both 1st and 3rd Battl. Hdqrs. We knew they were at the same place and we couldn't see the use of all four of us going to take the same messages to one place. Can you imagine what we did?

We flipped a coin, I believe, a french franc to decide who should go. The thrill came while waiting for that coin to come down to see whether it would fall heads or tail. I believe the other 3rd Battl. runner and myself took heads, well, anyway, we lost. We started out and we had one sweet time before we finally delivered our messages.

We took the wrong direction and we were lost for awhile, but managed to get there after about three or four hours. You can just bet while wandering around that night I thought of the lucky birds back there at Reg. Hdqrs., in a safe dug-out, getting a good night's sleep. Anyway, the coin decided who was to take the message.

Respectfully,
W. L. ("CY") BROWN,
Ex-320 Inf.
Salem, Va.

Sworn to be true by W. L. Brown, who personally appeared before me this 10th day of February, 1923.

A. M. PARIS, *Notary Public*
My Commission Expires,
June 21, 1926.

AN M. P.'s EXPERIENCE AFTER THE ARMISTICE

By LEAN A. GAINSTER

As we all know, the hand of fate, through the medium of commanding officers, governs the life and movements of a soldier of the United States Army.

Thus, we find ourselves reviewing a detail of ten M. P.'s, made up of doughboys, machine gunners and artillery men, each and every one of them having seen actual service, several wearing wound stripes, and at least four different divisional insignias in evidence.

This detail was on duty in a nice quite city in central France, the name of which would remind an American, of a conspicuous Jewish name so often seen over the front door of a pawn shop, back in the States.

Excitement was not known in this place, so the boys enjoyed themselves in diversory ways, according to their own whims, still at the same time Johnny on the Job with their eyes pealed for trouble.

In the latter part of January, 1919, after having been billeted in town for twenty-four days, a friendly conversation between

one of the Non-Coms and a first class private on traffic duty at the principal street intersection, was interrupted by the appearance of a very much excited Madame, who completely submerged both Yanks with a babble of French in her excitement. Precious moments were lost while the Yanks calmed the old girl and learned that she had been robbed, of course she claimed by "Les Americans." Naturally we all know that t'was only the Americans that robbed the "Frogs."

At last here was some excitement to break the monotony.

The Non-Com immediately called in one of the patrolmen, and they followed the madame to a small notion shop, just around the corner.

Upon entering the shop they found two Gendarmes and the Prefect de Police, who welcomes the Yanks with hearty hand shakes, glad to have the assistance of the M. P.'s. against these marauding Americans.

The Prefect informs the Non-Com that the Madame had closed up shop and she and her husband had gone to the Cinema for the evening, and upon their return found the shop and the living rooms in the rear ramsacked.

There was no question in the minds of the M. P.'s. that the place had been ramsacked, for everything was topsy-turby.

The Non-Com told the Prefect that he thought it would be a good idea to look around, the Prefect agreeing, and courtesy being a great French custom, he and his Gendarmes stepped back, allowing the Yanks to lead to what not.

The M. P.'s. brought into play their flashlights and the search began, in one room and out again, peering into closets and under the beds, the French police on the heels of the Yanks always following never once offering to take the lead, while the old madame stood in the background looking on, crying and ringing her hands.

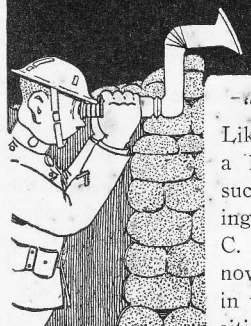
The search continued to the attic, where an open window told the Yanks that here was the exit of the prowlers. The window much like many found in the upper parts of French houses, did not set into a wooden casing, but fitted snugly in the masonry of the wall.

Here was food for thought, but the Yanks were capable of handling the situation, for it was very plain to follow the marks left unknowingly behind by the intruders. The Non-Com called the Prefect's attention to the crumbled mortar at the base of the window and told him that who-so-ever had been in the house had used this way to come and go, but the Prefect could not see it, for he still persisted that they were still hid in the house, even though the adjoining roof under the window, plainly showed where they had jumped from the window to the roof and then, account of its steepness laid flat and worked their way to the rear edge and dropped off. The

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OBSERVATIONS

By
Perry Scope



—“Nothing Succeeds Like Success.” After a long hard fight we succeeded in establishing our first local P. C. at Norfolk, Va., we now have Local Posts in the following named cities: Norfolk, Va.,

Philadelphia, Pa., Pittsburgh, Pa., Charleston, W. Va., Washington, D. C., Clarksburg, W. Va., Fairmont, W. Va., New York, N. Y., and Richmond, Va., auxiliaries in Pittsburgh, Pa., Philadelphia, Pa., and Fairmont, W. Va., while the following Blue-Ridge outfits have taken out charters to perpetuate the memory of their former units of the division—Co. I, 320th Inf.; Co. E, 320th Inf.; Co. B, 320th Inf.; Co. G, 320th Inf.; Co. K, 320th Inf.; 317th Inf., and 315th F. A. Reg.—as we said before, “Nothing Succeeds Like Success.” If your home town can boast of 15 Blue-Ridgers, you should have a Local P. C. to represent them, if there were 15 “worth remembering buddies” in your old outfit, you should see to it that their unit is kept alive in memory by establishing a unit P. C. Leaving it to George or some other person usually means leaving it undone. Doing it yourself or in conjunction with some other person or persons, means “Doing it.” There should be Local P. C.’s in Petersburg, Va., Chicago, Ill., Erie, Pa., Johnstown, Pa., Greensburg, Pa., Altoona, Pa., Wheeling, W. Va., and many other sectors, and a Unit P. C. to represent every Unit of the Division.

Approximately one man out of every twenty-five you could meet on the Streets of Pittsburgh, Pa., was a member of the 80th Division. The same interesting condition prevails throught the three Blue-Ridge states, to a more or less degree. How many of your old Buddies do you recognize in civvies?

The G. A. R. got them all in the end—so will the Eightieth Division Veterans’ Association if we but keep the flag flying.

It is worthy of comment that of the many thousands of super patriots who were claimed as members of the Anti-Bonus League, and who were too conscientious to accept additional pay for their war-time service, only sixty have so far

declined to accept the adjusted pay certificates payable at death, or upon maturity in twenty year. And this same sixty have the privilege of changing their minds between now and Nineteen Twenty-Eight.

It is observed that Mr. Coolidge, received more votes than Mr. Harding, also that Mr. Cox received more than Mr. Davis, and last, but not least, Mr. LaFollete received more votes than Mr. Roosevelt did when he contested with Mr. Wilson.

Thousands attended the funeral of a Chicago gangster on the same day that a few personal friends attended the funeral of Henry Cabot Lodge.

The “Dead Live Man” and “The Live Dead Man” are now both “Dead, Dead Men” and have passed on to judgment and their just rewards. It is our humble opinion that the “Dead Live Man” will live longer in the hearts and minds of the American people, than the “Live Dead Man.”

We have noticed that the fair girls have a thousand good reasons for bobbed hair—until all their immediate girl friends and

rivals have fallen victims to the “Bobber Shop Shears,” then they remember one real reason why they wish they had their hair back.

Truly death is a great leveler—and silencer of the malicious tongue of the traducer. The jealous, and the narrow minded, and selfish.

Many were called—but more were drafted.

Many an over-zealous high brow officer, back in 1917-1918, would give much of his war-time special privilege for a little peacetime common privilege.

Now that we are all bloated government bond holders—we can be expected to seek the privilege of membership in the exclusive clubs.

The fact that New York’s exclusive “four hundred” has developed a few who have either dissipated their former wealth—married beneath their social and financial station—or who have displeased the powers that be, has led to a movement to re-write the exclusive social list.

Old Pals of the Army

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roof, under the light of the flashes showed plainly the markings in the dust on its sloping sides.

The Non-Com, rather peeved because he could not convince them of the route of escape, harshly told the Prefect to take his men and go to the court in the rear of the buildings, to await him there, as he and his comrade were going to follow the marks across the roof. The French police left still clasping their pistols in their hands leaving the Yanks to cross the adjoining roof.

Out the window the M.P.’s. went and along the roof they worked their way to drop off at the end, to alight in front of three badly scared French boys about eighteen years of age.

The M. P.’s. got busy and searched them finding on them; a screw driver two knives that would have been more at home in a butcher shop from the size, and a piece of steel fashioned like a “jimmy.” It was just as the M. P.’s. had suspected the dark clothes of the youngsters was covered with the dirt from the roof.

By this time the Prefect and his men had reached the courtyard in the rear and they were badly surprised at the scene that they walked into, but they had to agree that the Yanks were right when they saw the boys clothing.

The Prefect then placed all three under arrest and with a Bon Nuit and a Merci

and a hand shake around they left for the hostelry every French town has; known as the Hotel De Ville or in good old American words to the Hoose Gow.

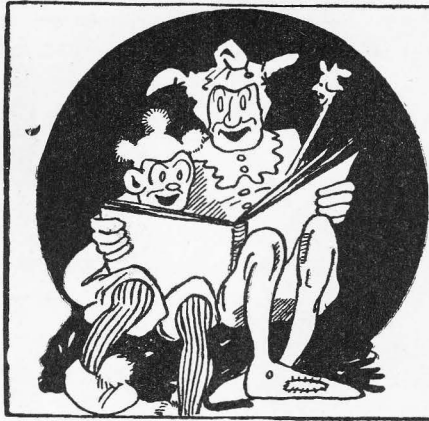
GRANT AT BERLIN

In our Bay Window Room hangs an excellent portrait of Gen. Grant. It not only reminds me of him as I saw him the first time he came during the civil war to New York, but also most strikingly of the late Major of the 153rd Penna Volunteers, the late John Frederick Frueauff, L. L. D. Heidelbergensis. He commanded his regiment in the battle of Gettysburg, holding the brow of Cemetery Hill against the Louisiana Tigers.

But Grant’s portrait also recalls an incident I heard of him from an officer in Berlin. This all happened before the Kaiser started out to conquer the world, but were stopped by our American army. For had it not been for the assistance of our brave men the French and English would have been and really were, defeated.

Well, now to what I was going to relate of Grant in Berlin. He had just been there a few days before I arrived there. Among other attentions shown him was an invitation to tete-a-tete breakfast at Prince Bismarck’s palace. Both at the hotel and at Bismarck’s palace in the Wilhelm Strasse, a crowd had gathered to see the

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A PAGE TO VIT.

"OUR MAG"---By the Office Boy



speakin to us agen.

We giter lotter letters from guys wot is too proud to belong to our old Assassination on accounter bein members of organizations wich shoot more bull about there work, but juster same they nose where to come when they wants service gratis as it was, wich is alus given cheerfully with the idear that they may see the error of there misspent life, but they aint half as bad as ther fellers wot sometimes is members in name, but not in action. Somer these write in like they wus still trainin ther rookies such as me, an as criticks they is ther horses laff. At reyounions they talker bout wot they is goin to do fer the old outfit an between times talker bout wot somebody else order do an cast insinyouashions that you is crooked otherwize youse woodent be interested in soljers organizations. Now every draftee aint no graftee an when enybody calls me a "Graftee" or other dirty name I knockes them fer a goal, perviden they sez it to my face insted uv By Mail. But wot is ther use of thinkin about such insecks. We knew em in ther army an they aint never recovered. Remember on Saturday A. M.'s how they uster strut down ther line an say, "Aha, Private Numskull, where is that dubdin I issued to youse five years ago? Youse has been conceelin somethin frum me! Sergeant, take that man's name!" All he lacked wuz horse sense orltho his conduct intercarded he wuz some part of a horse's anatomy, meenin no disrespect to horses, an usin a comparison familiar to sailors.

Now I aint kickin about honest critickism. Ther boss bawls me out moster ther time fer the way I spell, but he gives me

credick fer bein sincere as I claims 98½ per cent of youse active members is, but its ther 1½ per cent wot scuttles ther schooners and has put the country on the bum.

Lotser guys believe in promises as legal tender, with ther exception of printers, landlords, et ceterer, wich I can prove by Historian Russell Stultz who has become

an authority on this here subjeckt, but bein a ignurunt buck myself, I haser increasin respectt fer plain ordinary bucks, an heres hopin youse has two or three to spare this comin year fer ther only divisional assocerashion wich is still afloat after six yrrs, battle with scuttlers.

Yours fer fewer and better wars,
THE OFFICE BOY.

Very Lights

"Did you have any trouble with your French in Paris?"

"No, but the French people did."

A sedate elderly lady was taking in all that occurred in the coach of a railroad train, when she noticed a man soundly thrash a boy about five years of age. She immediately went to the man and said, "Sir, if you do that again I'll make trouble for you; remember, make trouble for you."

The man glanced up at the intruder and

half smiling remarked, "You'll make trouble for me, why listen lady, my wife ran away with a salesman yesterday, this morning my daughter got arrested for bigamy, our house burned down this afternoon and the insurance had elapsed, my youngest daughter kicked over the suitcase in the station breaking my last quart, Johny here just threw the tickets out the window and now I find out that I am on the wrong train. Go ahead lady make trouble for me if you can."

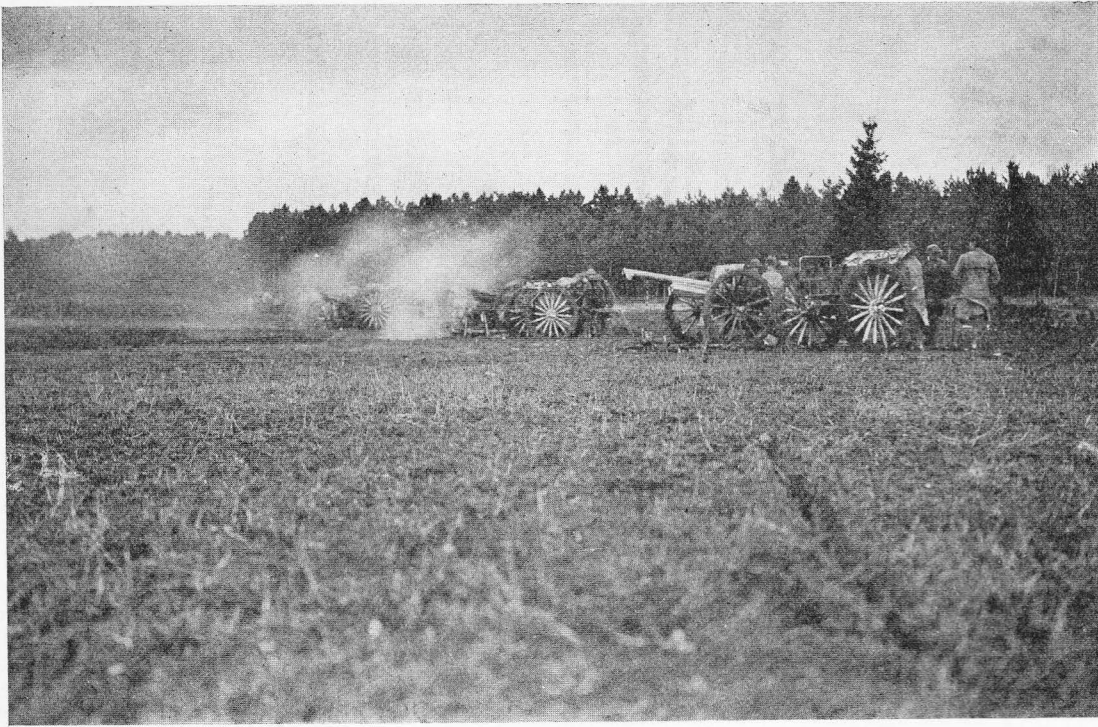
What the Papers Said About the Convention

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We have witnessed in the past the power for service and the will to serve of the flower of American citizenship first drawn together under the flag of the country in war. Loyalty and patriotism are not merely names for ephemeral sentiments donned with a uniform and put away when the soldier resumes civilian apparel. The soldier who has gone forth to battle in defense of his land comes home with the determination to preserve and protect the institutions for which he has risked his life. Attachments born of the comradeship of arms naturally develops the fraternal spirit that finds fulfillment in such organizations as the Eightieth Division Veterans' Association. And as naturally these men, patriotic, brave, courageous and trained in clear thinking and purposeful

acting, will make their association felt for the betterment of the society in which they live.

Speaking on the subject of brotherhood yesterday, President Coolidge said that "without the moving of fraternity, of a common effort for a common purpose, our government, economic and social organizations would at once disintegrate. When you minister to the spirit, when you stimulate it into greater activity, you provide greater security, larger resources and a more harmonious life for all the people." He recommended practice of the homely virtues if one would have the greatest degree of contentment. These constitute a true bond of fellowship in our veterans' organizations, as Pittsburgh can testify after the happy days in which the Eightieth Division men were the city's guests.



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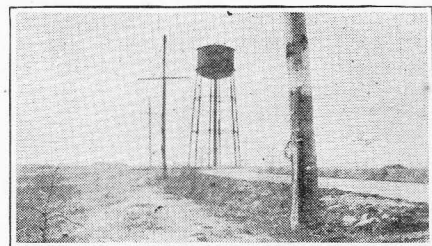
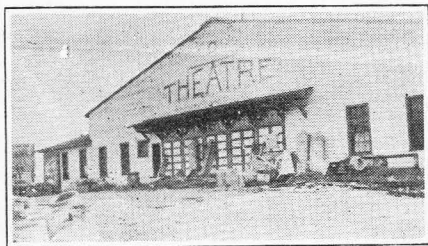


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PREPARE FOR INSPECTION



"ARGENTEUIL"

Virginia's Tribute

When the Eightieth Comes Home

By CHARLES HALL DAVIS



MAJ. GEN. ADELBERT CRONKHITE
Commander 80th Division, U. S. N. A.
A. E. F.

TO
THE EIGHTIETH DIVISION

Composed of Virginia, West Virginia and Pennsylvania soldiers, who, during their period of training at Camp Lee, Virginia, in 1917-1918, by their soldierly conduct, exemplary behavior and militant patriotism, aroused the pride and affection of all who met them; and who, by their magnificent conduct overseas in 1918-1919, have added another brilliant page to American history; and

—To—

Major General Adelbert Cronkhite,
His Staff, and the Commissioned Officers
of the Division.

To whose thorough training, high standards of conduct, brilliant and patriotic leadership, and affectionate care of the men entrusted to their charge, the glorious achievements of the division are so largely due.

THESE LINES ARE RESPECTFULLY
DEDICATED

With an assurance that the best traditions of the greatest military leader in American history have been exemplified by the division trained at the camp which bears his name, and that the Eightieth has fairly earned the title of the "Lee Division."

"THE LEE DIVISION"

By CHARLES HALL DAVIS

When the Eightieth Division shall come marching bravely past,
Through the streets and on the highways where we knew and saw them last,
While the glory of their record in the fighting overseas
Round each flag floats as a halo, while it flutters in the breeze:—

When the bands strike up "My Country," and the banner with its stars—
Stately symbol of that righteousness that justified our cause,
Makes the pulses leap and tingle, and the throat feel full and tight,
As we think that with all peoples 'tis a symbol for the right:—

When we bare our heads in reverence to the memory of our brave,
Who are sleeping now in far off France—a cross upon each grave;
When we realize their sacrifice and bow our heads in prayer
That a gracious God will comfort those whose boys lie "over there":—

When the boys from the Virginias and the valiant Keystone State,
Who have trained and fought together—who've forgotten ancient hate—
Come from France, where they have struggled in a brotherhood divine
To defend our ancient ally from the threat across the Rhine:—

When the lilt of "Yankee Doodle" follows "Dixie's" martial strain,
And we cheer alike for these tunes, and cheer and cheer again;
When the "Yankee" and the "Rebel," touching shoulders as they march,
Shall together pass in honor 'neath the same triumphal arch:—

When the Eightieth Division shall come marching home again,
After months of glorious service, with its banners without stain—
Then a reunited Nation, with chivalric heart will see
Virginia give its accolade, and knight them "Sons of Lee."

CHARLES HALL DAVIS,

Petersburg, Va., May 20, 1919.



*Fades the light, and afar
Goeth Day, cometh night; and a star
Leadeth all, speedeth all
To their rest.*

McVEY—Herbert, formerly of Battery B, 313th F. A., died in Hinton, W. Va. Hospital, October 9th, as a result of injuries sustained when the railroad engine on which he was fireman, derailed and overturned near Hinton. He is survived by his widow and one child.

SISLEY—Joseph O., formerly Lieutenant of 320th Infantry, died Nov. 19, 1924, at his home in Greensburg, Pa. He is survived by his widow, mother and one brother. Military Funeral was held by Robert G. Kotouch Post of the American Legion and interment was made in the St. Clair cemetery.

WILLS—Florence, former member of Company D, 320th Infantry, died October 22, 1924, in the Tuberculosis League Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pa., where he had been receiving treatment for some time.

GALLAGHER—Neal Francis, formerly of the Cook and Baker School, Camp Lee, Va., died in Allegheny General Hospital, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa., at 9:00 A. M., December 25, 1924. Military funeral held December 28, 1924, by Cantigney Post, American Legion.

DILLNER—William J., formerly First Sergeant, Co. B, 320th Infantry, died at his home Sunday, October 26, 1924, from the effects of carbon monoxide poisoning, caused by defective gas stove. Funeral held from his home, Broad Street, Pittsburgh, Pa., Wednesday, October 29th, 1924, and attended by comrades of his company.

HUDDLESTON—R. P., former Lieutenant of 318th Infantry, died December 26, 1924, at Oteen, N. C., and funeral was held at the funeral apartments of H. D. Oliver, 610 East Freemason Street, Norfolk, Virginia. He was aged 29 and was Secretary of the Huddleston Mahogany Co., of Norfolk. His death was due to effects of gas received in France. Besides his wife and parents he is survived by a sister, Mrs. W. S. Crowell, of New York, and a brother, Rowland Huddleston, of Norfolk.

GARGIN—William F., former member of 80th Division Military Police, died in DuBois, Pa., November 21, 1924, as a result of an accident.

HALLOWELL—Percival, formerly First Lieutenant 315th M. G. Bn., died recently. Further particulars unavailable at this time.



RICHMOND, VA., POST NO. 9, 80TH DIV. VETS. ASSN.

Reports from Hunter I. Taylor of 1426 Bainbridge street, Richmond, Virginia, and W. V. Mosley, of 3511 Carolina avenue, Richmond, temporary President and Secretary respectively of Richmond Post No. 9, indicate that the post is now functioning and rapidly being organized. Several meetings have been held and the membership increasing. The next meeting of the post will be held January 12th, at Murphy's Hotel and as the charter is still open for signatures, Richmond Blue-Ridgers who desire to become charter members of the post are urged to communicate as soon as possible with Comrade Taylor.

NORFOLK-PORTSMOUTH POST NO. 1, 80TH DIV. VETS. ASSN.

Members of Norfolk-Portsmouth Post No. 1 took a prominent part in the Armistice Day celebration in Norfolk this year which was one of the largest and most successful yet held. Col. Wm. H. Sands, formerly of 315th F. A., was in charge of the parade, and Capt. J. Carl Peck, of the 319th Infantry headed the first division. A memorial tablet, the gift of A. Wrenn and Sons, in memory of five Norfolk men who gave their lives in the service, made through John B. Diehl of the 317th Infantry was unveiled by the Norfolk V. F. W. Post, presentation being made by Dr. Seelinger and acceptance by Captain J. Carl Peck, and a new municipal flagpole was dedicated on this occasion.

H. M. White, formerly of 314th Machine Gun Battalion recently sold his business—one of the largest farm implements stores in Norfolk.

Attention 315th F. A.! Capt. Carl Tranberger was seen at a football game in Norfolk, running across the field with a bucket of water. When asked about it he said that he understood someone to say that a horse was hurt and didn't know any different until one of the players started to drink the water in spite of his efforts to restrain him.

"Shiek" J. B. Moore wants to know who started the saying, "Nobody loves a fat man"—He claims they are all wrong.

Truitt Pharmacy of which E. G. Truitt of 318th M. G. is a partner is starting a third store in Norfolk. The prescription business must be brisk.

Dr. H. R. Seelinger has been elected Junior-Vice Commander of the Norfolk, V. F. W. Post, and Captain W. B. Lee, Jr., formerly Chaplain 319th Infantry, chaplain of the post. Captain J. Carl Peck and John B. Diehl were elected as representatives on the County Council and W. W.

Jordan chosen as alternate. With all this line-up of Blue-Ridgers the V. F. W. ought to be successful in its coming 1925 activities in Norfolk. It takes the 80th to "move 'em forward."

Lt. Percy A. Jones was elected unanimously as Captain of the Arab Patrol of Khedive Temple, Norfolk Shrine, and John B. Diehl was elected left guide. Hot Dog—now we will see some snappy drilling—the old Blue-Ridge pep—one, two, three, four, hep, hep, hippety hop! Jones is going to have everything moving like clock-work in their next turn-out.

S. W. Johnson, Battery B, 314th F. A., has resigned as paying teller of the Seaboard National Bank and accepted the position of Cashier of the Ford Motor Co. We wish you a rattling good success, Johnson.

V. T. Morris, Co. B, 317th Infantry has been promoted from receiving teller to paying teller of the Seaboard National Bank. How about getting change for a Napoleon Franc, Old Timer?

Giovanni D'Este, father of Flemming D'Este, of 317th Infantry, was buried December 30th. The Comrades extend their deepest sympathy to you, Flemming.

B. F. Fenner, of Company A, 317th Infantry, who lives at 3210 Lamb Ave., Richmond, Va., reports the arrival of a son. Mother and son are both doing fine. Congratulations.

PHILADELPHIA POST NO. 3, 80TH DIVISION VETERANS' ASSOCIATION

Philadelphia Post No. 2, at its meeting October 18th, had a large attendance of members with the wives, mothers and sisters present. Many new faces were seen, among them being Captain Samuel L. Ridge, of 314th F. A. and 318th Infantry Medical Detachments; also his brother, Henry L. Ridge, former Regimental Supply Sergeant, of 314th F. A. Both of the Ridges came in all the way from Langhorn, Pa., and expressed themselves as having a good time.

Action was taken to form an Auxiliary of the post and all the ladies present expressed their desire to take part in such an organization. Commander Schoble presided and gave the ladies a hearty welcome, and Vice-Commander Gallaher introduced the entertainers who were of the best, the last act being a magician who mystified the audience with tricks that appeared impossible. He even promised to grow hair on the two bald heads of the post—Schrieber and Tibbetts. Bill Graham was conspicuous by his silence, but he will no doubt make up for that at the next meeting. Someone passed the word around that it

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was the ladies whom he was afraid of. A fine repast of ice cream and cake was served, the cakes having been baked and donated by the various ladies present. It is hoped that all 80th men in Philadelphia, will turnout to the meetings which are held the third Thursday of each month at the Big Brother House, 25 S. Van Pelt St., Philadelphia.

Philadelphia Post held its regular monthly meeting on November 24th, with Commander Schoble presiding. The regular routine of business was gone through, and one of the most important committees to report was the By-Laws Committee, who presented by-laws for the adoption of the post. These were patterned after the 80th Division Association By-Laws and were practically approved as presented.

One of the features of the evening was the announcement by Miss Arnold, a former "Y" worker with the 80th and a Life member of the Association that an Auxiliary had been formed to Philadelphia Post No. 2. Mrs. Schoble, mother of Commander Schoble has been elected President, Miss Arnold, vice-president; Mrs. Galleher, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Millinghausen, recording secretary; and Mrs. Guillo, treasurer of this organization.

A rising vote of appreciation was given the ladies of the Auxiliary by the members of the post for their work and interest in establishing this important part of the Philadelphia organization.

Among the new members present was Comrade McVey, of the 318th Medical Detachment, who had last seen Commander Schoble when he was carried off the field at Nantillois.

A prize drawing was held for the string of pearl beads which had been donated as a prize for the picnic. The winner was S. B. Millinghausen.

Philadelphia Post held its regular monthly meeting Thursday, December 18th, with Commander Schoble in the chair. From the way 313th F. A. turned out at the meeting, Bill Graham must have been the only one who went out after new members, although we understand that Grant Walker went with him.

The members of the post were treated to a very interesting talk by the Assistant Superintendent of Public Schools, of Philadelphia, in which he told those present that the educational rating of Pennsylvania is much higher now than it was fifteen years ago.

Nominations for officers for the year 1925 were held, the election to take place in January. After the meeting a very fine repast of coffee and doughnuts was served and judging by the amount consumed all members must have passed up their dinner earlier in the evening.

If anyone knows of any 80th Division veteran who needs assistance in presenting his claim to the Veterans Bureau or who is in any hospital in or near Philadelphia, the Welfare Committee of the post would be glad to render any service possible. Communicate with Fred Haussman, 100 E. Roosevelt Boulevard, Philadelphia, and he will forward the communication to the committee which will give it immediate attention.

At a special meeting of the Entertainment Committee on December 29th, it was decided to run a benefit sometime in February, at Emmet Welch's Minstrels, Arch St., at Ninth. It is expected that the annual banquet will be held early in April.

CLARKSBURG, W. VA., POST NO. 6, 80TH DIVISION VETERANS' ASSO- CIATION

For the length of time organized, Clarksburg Post undoubtedly is in the front rank of 80th Division Posts for social and fraternal activities. The leading event in Clarksburg, on November 11th, was a dance held by the post, a Paul Whitman Orchestra from New York, furnishing the music. Members of Fairmont Post, joined the Clarksburg members in making the affair a great success. Thursday evening, November 20th, a dance was held by the post at Carmichael Auditorium, with refreshments, entertainment and dancing, music being furnished by the famous "Naylor's Seven Aces" of Atlanta, Georgia. New Years Eve a frolic was held in Carmichael Auditorium from 10:00 P. M. to 3:00 A. M., with a midnight lunch, novelties and entertainment, music being furnished by the Hollywood Dance Orchestra of New York City. A very beautiful New Year's announcement was received by Headquarters relative to this entertainment and the following clipping from the Clarksburg *Exponent*, indicates its success:

"Clarksburg dancers may find themselves crowded out at the midnight frolic and cabaret dance, to be staged here at Carmichael Auditorium, New Year's Eve, under the auspices of the local post of the Eightieth Division Veterans' Association, it became apparent yesterday evening.

"Requests were made of the local committee for table reservations by residents of many nearby towns, all of which were filled. According to the local committee, lawyers who attended the bar convention in Clarksburg and who were guests of the association for the second cabaret dance, are planning to return.

"Every effort is being made, however, to insure enough space to take care of the big crowd. More tables than before will be placed on the dance floor, while spectators will be required to remain in the balconies, instead of sitting in chairs on the main floor.

"The occasion of this dance will go down in the social history of Clarksburg as one of the most brilliant and elaborate on record. The decorations committee announces a new color scheme and declares it is holding in store a big surprise for all."

The following item from a Clarksburg paper shows the activity of the Blue-Ridgers in West Virginia, is not being confined to the veterans alone, but also to their relatives and the formation of an Auxiliary, is well under way.

Plans are now being made for the organization of a ladies auxiliary for the recently formed Clarksburg post of the Eightieth Division Veterans' Association. Under the arrangement now favored Mrs. Okey Watkins of Fairmont, will come here and organize the auxiliary and it will be conducted in conjunction with an auxiliary to the Fairmont Post which was organized Friday night when Sol Burka, commander of the Clarksburg Post and a number of Eightieth Division boys from this city went down to Fairmont for the purpose. The officers of the Fairmont Post are: Orville L. Nay, Fairmont, commander; P. H. McDonnell, Monongah, vice commander; Fay Donham, Fairmont, adjutant quartermaster; Clark Gross, Fairmont, chaplain; John Heintzleman, Fairmont, bugler; Harry Leaf, Fairmont, color sergeant; executive

council, Earl H. Smith, Dr. John W. Murphy, Roy Spencer and Troy Hall.

PITTSBURGH POST NO 3, AND PENNA. AUXILIARY NO. 1, 80TH DIVISION VETERANS' ASSOCIATION

Armistice Day was celebrated most elaborately this year in Pittsburgh, a large share of the activities being taken part in by the Post and Auxiliary. The general arrangements for the day's observance were in charge of the Federation of War Veterans' Societies of Allegheny County composed of representatives of all veteran organizations of the city and county. The post was represented on this committee by M. J. Thomas, Executive Council Member who served on the Music Committee, John Vachetta, who was Secretary of the Parade Committee, Burg C. Clark, Chairman of Publicity, and Henry R. Curry on the Entertainment Committee.

A large parade of approximately 30,000 veterans was held in the morning. Music was furnished by twenty-one bands, and aeroplanes accompanied the route of the marchers. Artillery salutes were fired from Monument Hill, on the North Side, and many distinguished guests who were present for the occasion reviewed the parade. The Post marched as a unit of the third division and had a very large turnout. President Schoble marched at the head of the 80th section, accompanied by M. W. McKee and H. R. Curry, as Aides and the unit was in charge of Vice-Commander William E. Colligan. The new Post Colors presented to the Post during the reunion by Pennsylvania Auxiliary No. 1, were carried for the first time and received much favorable comment. General Brett marched as an Honorary Marshall of the parade and was given an ovation by the thousands of former 80th Division men who were in line.

The main event of the evening was the Blue-Ridge Reception and Dansant in the Fort Pitt Hotel, held in honor of President Schoble and General Brett. The affair was a great success and continued into the early hours of the morning. Brigadier General Mitchell, Asst. Chief of Air Service, U. S. Army, Rear Admiral Albert Gleaves, former commander of the Asiatic Fleet, Brigadier General John Dunn, Commander-in-Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, City and County officials and many other distinguished guests of the day were present. President Schoble and General Brett were warmly welcomed by the members of the post and auxiliary and made addresses expressing their pleasure in being the honored guests on this occasion.

The evening of the 10th, the Post held an informal meeting in the Bessemer Building and was addressed by General Brett, who spoke of the battle-fields of the 80th in France, and stated that the monuments of other divisions had been erected on territory captured by the 80th and that in justice to our dead comrades the organization must be perpetuated and proper monuments erected. President Schoble supplemented General Brett's talk by pointing out the importance of building up the local post idea and all present pledged themselves to make a determined effort and bring in new members during the coming year.

General Cronkhite who has been invited to be present on the 11th sent the

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following telegram which was read at the Reception in the Fort Pitt.

"Kindly express to all my comrades of the 80th Division and Pennsylvania Auxiliary No. 1, my deep and sincere regret that it will be impossible for me to be with them on this Armistice Day to do honor to 'The Brave Who Are No More.' It has been my most earnest desire to be with you today, but illness in my family has prevented my return east."

The regular January meeting of the Post will be held on Monday evening, January 12th, in the Bessemer Building, Pittsburgh. Starting with January the Post will hold regular meetings the second and fourth Monday's of each month.

Comrade Berghammer of the Post who was injured on November 11th, by being struck with an iron ball while carrying mail on his route in the South Hills, is now out of the hospital and slowly recuperating. Comrade Berghammer had a narrow escape from death, a two-pound iron ball being rolled down a hill by boys who were playing, striking him on the head and nearly fracturing his skull.

H. W. McGowran, Post Quartermaster, recently became connected with a local firm which is manufacturing a new invention in refrigerating systems.

Vice-Commander Herron has been conspicuous by his absence since Armistice evening. The post is considering sending out a detail to discover his dugout as he is reported missing in action.

Daniel Fackiner ("Dangerous Dan") is a member of a quartet which entertained disabled men in the West Penn Hospital, on Christmas morning. He is also a recognized authority on cross-word puzzles.

It is reported that R. E. Daume, the alleged adjutant of the post has been experimenting on snake oil as a hair restorer. He claims to have information that it will raise hair on a door knob and is searching for a source of supply.

Big Bob Thompson was observed during the cold weather to be directing traffic at Biglow Boulevard and Sixth Avenue, with considerable "pep." It's a cold world, Bob.

Norman Boyeson is selling advertising for the Cusack Sign Co. Yes, he is responsible for those beautiful bits of nature adorning our Boulevards.

Claire Taylor, is no longer setting the world on fire selling matches, he is now selling soup for Campbell & Co.

Tom Edelblute is doing a fine business in frogs. He has had considerable experience in the frog industry both at home and abroad and this is not bull. Frogs sure are his meat and he keeps them hopping. Combined with frogs and switches he also disposes of car replacers and other railway and mine necessities.

CHARLESTON, W. VA. STATE POST, 80TH DIVISION VETERANS' ASSO- CIATION

J. K. Anderson, Honorary Life Member of the Association of Charleston, W. Va., is civilian aide to the Secretary of War in the matter of Citizens Military Training Camps for the Fifth Corps Area.

Boyd B. Stutler, of 314th F. A., has supplied Comrade Stultz with considerable history material regarding West Virginia men who served in the Division. Stultz would like to see others follow his example, particularly as concerns some of the smaller units of the division which have been slow

in responding with material about such organizations.

Reports as to Post activities have been somewhat scarce of late. Evidently the *Charleston Reporter* is a modest violet when it comes to sending in the news about this district. We know the city is full of active Blue-Ridgers so let the comrades know what is going on.

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Captain William Frazier is located with W. A. Harriman & Co., of New York.

Vincent Dzibukowski of A Company, who left Evers-Le-Polin to go with a group at Marseilles is now living at 3817 Buffalo Road, Wesleyville, Pa., and has had his name changed by the Court to Vincent Urban. He is married to a former Y. M. C. A. worker and would be glad to hear from any of the old company.

Stanislaw Bogus, A Company, has returned to Poland. He is farming and doing nicely.

Joseph A. Baker, last address, 120 E. St., Erie, Pa., is often seen about that city.

Dr. H. R. Seelinger, Medical Officer,, 317th, was appointed Chief of Staff, Department of Virginia, V. F. W. He is also on the staff of the Military Order of the Cooties.

M. C. Waterman is living at 2419 Wayne Ave., Erie, Pa., and is now married.

Sergeant E. T. Adams of A Company is still at Fort Monroe, Virginia. Rumors have it that the Sergeant will be married this fall.

Carl T. Hatch is still located at 969 Calvert Building, Baltimore. Sometime ago he acquired a small sailing boat and now spends his idle moments studying navigation and the water-from patois around the metropolis of Bromo-Seltzer. Reports are that the shipping business between Baltimore and Washington is quite profitable providing one doesn't take too many chances.

Charles E. Robinson, formerly Corporal of Co. D, 317th Infantry is connected with the firm of H. A. Robinson, Peanut Dealers of Lynchburg, Va.

J. E. Parker, Sergeant 317th Infantry Supply Co., is with the Pure Food Store, North Emporia, Va. His mail should be addressed to Box 352.

Russell J. Myers, formerly musician first class of 317th Infantry Headquarters is in the Victrola and musical instrument business at 228 Main St., Mt. Pleasant, Pa.

The following clipping will be of interest to 317th members:

A TENDER TRIBUTE FROM A SOLDIER TO A FALLEN COMRADE

The following tribute to a fallen comrade has been written by Ned Garthright, of Vinton, in memory of his fellow-soldier, Earl Maxwell Marsh, who was killed in action in France, October 4, 1918. The affectionate note and music-like ring of sincerity in the memorial is particularly worthy of note because of the fact that young Garthright and Marsh were not only

friends of long standing, but served side by side in the trenches in France.—*World News*.

The memorial reads as follows:
"Sunday afternoon, September 11, 1921, in front of the altar of his church, in the presence of friends and comrades in arms, rested for a while the casket containing the remains of a young soldier whom I loved as a brother.

"Before going into service, I knew him for months at Camp Lee. He was my companion and friend. We went overseas together and on the battlefields of France on the night of October 4, 1918, I looked into his face the last time.

"We had just received orders for duty on the field a short distance away. Before leaving each other, he handed me his hatchet to use in excavating a place for my temporary protection. Our company was separated, half reinforcing one part of the line, half another. In less than an hour, a shell from the enemy's guns struck him and ended his life. Young and brave and strong, he died willingly for the cause of righteousness and peace.

"His unselfish nature, his innate courage, his purity of character, his readiness to sacrifice himself in defence of the world's freedom, drew him close to those who knew him best and who believed as he believed.

"Green be the turf above thee,
Friend of my youthful days;
None knew thee but to love thee,
None named thee but to praise."

John J. Cooney, formerly member of Company C, 317th Infantry is in U. S. Veterans' Hospital 97, Building 6, Chillicothe, Ohio, and would no doubt be pleased to hear from any of his old comrades.

DOWN VIRGINIA WAY

A Washington dispatch dated November 2nd, stated that Major General Samuel D. Sturgis, who succeeded Major General Cronkhite as Commanding General of the 80th after the Armistice, was expected to replace Major General William R. Smith in command of the 3rd Corps Area, with headquarters in Baltimore. General Sturgis has been on duty in Panama and his new assignment will be in the nature of a promotion.

Announcement has been made that the first meeting of the 320th Infantry (Organized Reserves) will probably be held about November 14th, in the Graham Building, Washington. Shortly after this date practically all units of the Organized Reserves will be in full function for their winter training.

General Lloyd M. Brett, Past Commander-in-Chief of the V. F. W., and of the 80th Division Veterans' Association, conferred the obligation of the former order November 6th, on the largest class of new members in the history of Equality-Walter Reed Post No. 284, of Washington, D. C. Among the "recruits" was General Frank T. Hines, Director of the U. S. Veterans' Bureau.

Captain John Paul, formerly Adjutant, 313th Field Artillery, on returning to his home in Harrisonburg, Va., October 21st, announced that he had tendered his resignation to Attorney General Stone as a Special Assistant to the Attorney General in the Department of Justice and will hereafter devote his entire time to his private practice in Virginia. Captain Paul, who

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since returning from France has represented his district in the State Senate and in Congress, has been on duty at the Department of Justice for the past two years. Last February, he was placed in charge of the War Frauds Section of the Department.

The old comrades of Preston ("Cracker") E. Burkeholder, ex-Cook, Company A, 318th Infantry, will be interested to learn that he is the proud daddy of a daughter, born Sunday, October 5th, at his home in New Market, Va., "Cracker" is the prosperous owner of a meat-shop in his home bailiwick.

Benjamin F. Spitzer, of Harrisonburg, Va., who served with Company "E" and Headquarters Co., 318th Infantry, entered the Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, Va., early in November for observation and treatment under the U. S. Veterans' Bureau. Comrade Spitzer was severely gassed in action October 4, 1918, his condition recently developing into an affection of the lungs.

Headquarters 80th Division (Organized Reserves), Corner 7th and Franklin Sts., Richmond, Va., is anxious to obtain detailed information respecting the origin of the Blue Ridge shoulder insignia. Any data pertaining to same should be forwarded to Major B. F. Miller, Adjutant, at the above address. The shoulder insignia as now furnished the 80th differs materially from the unornate design issued the Blue-Ridgers overseas, the shield being surmounted by the major engagements or sectors in which the Division served, viz: "Picardy-Meuse Argonne-St. Mihiel." Three stars appear immediately above the words, while a scroll containing the Division's motto, "Vis Montium," appears at the bottom of the shield. (Reflections of the havoc so elaborate an insignia would work in an A. E. F. billeting area tempt the average vet to yearn for another "hitch" overseas!)

The *Leviathan*, she of A. E. F. memory, whose string of misfortunes since returning to the trans-Atlantic passenger service has been recounted from time to time in these columns, has developed a penchant for propeller trouble. The giant liner left dry dock at South Boston August 13th, after having two damaged propellers repaired, only to have to enter dry dock again September 22nd, to have a new propeller installed.

Captain James W. Roberts, of the 315th Field Artillery and the Regiment's newly elected member of the Division Executive Council, is connected with the Henry B. Gilpin Co., Wholesale Druggists, Baltimore, Md. Captain Donald Gilpin, a son of the proprietor, also served with the 155th Artillery Brigade.

"BLUE RIDGE POST NO" WHAT SAY? YOU BUDDIES FROM THE VALLEY OF VIRGINIA

This is a call to all 80th Division men in the Valley of Virginia, residing between Martinsburg and Staunton, to "snap into it" and help with the organization of a Post of our Veterans' Association.

There are several hundred Blue Ridgers domiciled in the Shenandoah Valley, with probably no single community claiming a sufficient number to support a Local P. C.,

therefore, it has been suggested that we of the 80th who live in the shadows of the Blue-Ridge mountains should get together and form one strong Post. Surely, there are enough among us here in the very region from whence the 80th acquired her proud name to support a "Blue-Ridge Post" of Blue-Ridge veterans? Let's show by action that we have not forgotten and that the old associations and comradeship still live!

Groups of 80th Division men are rapidly organizing Local and Unit P. C.'s throughout the East, in order that they may continue contact and liaison with their buddies. Sooner or later, we shall want to join them, and there is no better time than now—"Toot Sweet!"

The initial step will be an application for a Charter. Every reader of *SERVICE* located in the Valley of Virginia is urged to communicate at once with the undersigned. Just say: "I favor a Blue-Ridge Post of Blue-Ridge veterans, and want to be a charter member. Sign my name on the dotted line." Finish the job by getting in touch with your Buddy and urging him to do likewise.

Let's do our bit toward carrying on our Division Association. In event you are already a member, your dues in a Local Post have been paid and your Association Membership Card will suffice. The tax for new members will be \$3.00 per year, including dues and *SERVICE MAGAZINE*.

RUSSELL L. STULTZ

New Market, Va.

Lieut. Clifford A. Cutchins, Jr., of Franklin, Va., who was Division Postal Officer, writes that he still has the little brown and white French terrier which used to accompany the Mail Truck daily. Many of the Blue-Ridgers will recall the dog as he made his trips with the ever welcome truck.

Capt. John Paul, of Harrisonburg, Va., formerly Adjutant, 313th Field Artillery, has been appointed Legislative Deputy for the Virginia Department, V. F. W., by Commander-in-Chief Gen. John H. Dunn.

General Lloyd M. Brett, Past Commander-in-Chief of the V. F. W., and of the 80th Division Association, was elected Commander of the District Columbia Chapter of the Military Order of the World War, on October 23rd. His election to this office gives much satisfaction to all members of the organization, who wish him every success during his tenure of office.

A Martinsburg, W. Va., dispatch dated November 14th, states that Major Robert T. Barton, of Winchester, Va., formerly Captain, 313th F. A., was sworn in at that place to practice law in West Virginia. After taking the oath, Major Barton handed Clerk L. De Witt Gerhardt a 100,000,000 mark note. In pre-war days the "fee" presented the Court Clerk would have been worth \$20,000,000 in American money. Major Barton is one of the most prominent members of the Winchester bar.

Captain Reuel W. Elton, for the last five years adjutant-general of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, in which position he has represented seven decades of America's foreign service veterans in 16 different countries, has left that organization to accept a position as district manager of "Powder River," a government World war film, depicting on the screen the story of

America's part in the World War as seen by the cameramen of the United States signal corps. Captain Elton will be accompanied through the states of Iowa, Nebraska and Minnesota by Fred J. Dimes, until recently editor of *Foreign Service*, the Veterans of Foreign Wars official magazine. John H. Wallace of Boston, Mass., veteran of the 5th division, A. E. F., has been designated as acting adjutant-general to fill the office left vacant. Captain Elton served through the war as a captain, Blue Ridge division.

Leon M. Bazile, ex-Corporal, 320th Infantry, who resides at Ashland, Va., has since returning from overseas rapidly forged to the front in Virginia legal circles. Comrade Bazile recently was appointed Second Assistant Attorney General for the State of Virginia.

318TH INFANTRY

Oscar C. Holand of 318th Infantry, has changed his address to 440 W. 8th St., Long Beach, California.

The following notice in the *Petersburg Progress-Index Appeal* is of interest to the comrades:

"A wedding of much interest to Petersburg, was that of Miss Edna Frances Brown, to Mr. William Melvin Glazier, which took place at the home of the bride, 704 Harrison St., on Tuesday morning, October 7th, at 8:15 A. M., the ceremony being performed by Rev. F. W. Moore, pastor of the Second Baptist Church."

"Bill" Glazier will be remembered as a member of G Company, 318th Infantry, and also by the 305th Signal Corps to which he was attached for three months along with the rest of the 317th and 318th Infantry runners.

E. P. Carter, Jr., formerly private first class Company E, 318th Infantry, an active worker in the Lloyd Williams Post No. 41, American Legion of Berryville, Virginia.

A. W. Howell, former wagoner in Supply Company, 318th Infantry, is a member of the firm of F. J. Howell & Sons, Florists of Round Hill, Loudon Co., Virginia.

P. R. Watson, formerly Sergeant Company M, 318th Infantry is connected with the Bank of Masontown, Masontown, Preston Co., W. Va.

August E. Stinner, who served overseas with Company G, 318th Infantry, left his home in Braddock, Pa., April 26, 1919, and has not been heard from since. He is 28 years old, five feet six inches in height, weight 110 pounds, light hair, blue eyes, and may be wearing glasses. Comrade Stinner was a member of the Braddock Council 911, Knights of Columbus and this Council will pay \$200.00 to anyone who finds him. Notify 80th Division headquarters or his mother, Mrs. Jennie Malloy, 315 Mills Ave., Braddock, Pa.

319TH INFANTRY

The following account of the Annual Banquet of Company I, 319th Infantry appeared in a local paper:

"Company I, No. 319, A. E. F., held its Annual Banquet at the Fort Pitt Hotel, Pittsburgh, November 11th. General Brett, commander of the 80th Division, was the speaker of the occasion. The kind words

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and advice he gave to his boys left no doubt in the minds of his hearers that General Brett, not only commanded the Eightieth Division, but that he loved his boys as his own sons.

"The banquet was attended by Edward H. Dressler, Edward M. Brackemeyer, Joseph F. Slane, Ray W. House, Eugene Fisher, Jesse G. Hamilton, of Braddock, also W. H. Sarah, an invited guest.

"Braddock will be honored in April, 1925, by the holding of the Annual Reunion of Company I, No. 319th, Infantry American Expeditionary Forces of the World's War.

"Company I was the command to which the first five per cent of our boys were attached, under the command of Captain Roland Jenkins. The following boys from Braddock made up that contingent, went through that bloody war, acquitted themselves with honor and came home to their loved ones again, leaving two of their number behind dead on the battle-fields of France: Jesse Goodwin Hamilton, Carl G. Bunt, George W. McCauley, Angelo Darsono, Edward M. Brackemeyer, Rudolph Eugene Fisher, Charles L. Haas, Carl J. Heyne, John L. H. McDevitt, William Howat, Ray W. House, Russell F. Caswell, John Francis Ream, Edward H. Dressler, Gustave A. Windstrand, Joseph Francis Slane, Kemper Shiflet. The two honored dead being, Robert G. Klause and Patrick A. Darsey.

"The reunion will be honored with the presence of their Captain, Roland Jenkins, their Colonel, James M. Love, Jr. Also an invitation has been extended to the Commander of the Eightieth Division, General Brett, to which the 319th A. E. F. was attached.

"The following boys were named at their last Reunion to make necessary arrangements for the Reunion in April, 1925: Edward H. Dressler, chairman, Joseph F. Slane, Edward M. Brackemeyer, Rudolph Eugene Fisher, Ray W. House, Jesse G. Hamilton.

"The boys desire to eclipse any of their former Reunions."

Carl W. Heflin of 67 Wilson Avenue, Morgantown, W. Va., who was formerly in K Company, 319th Infantry writes us as follows:

"The friend who furnished you with my address as published in the latest issue of SERVICE was correct with one small exception. He was about eighteen months late. My present address is that given above."

Russell L. Stultz, Historian, 80th Veterans' Association, New Market, Virginia, desires information concerning copies of the history of Company E, 319th Infantry. Anyone having a copy of this will confer a favor upon the History Committee by communicating direct with Commander Stultz, Newmarket, Va.

Private Rudolph Kohs, formerly with Company L and Headquarters, 319th Infantry, is now located at Marine Barracks, Submarine Base, New London, Conn.

C. J. Schumacker, formerly a private in the Medical Detachment, 319th Infantry, is conducting a Grocery and Meat business at Evansville, Ind.

W. S. Rathmell, Band Sergeant, Headquarter Company, 319th Infantry, has the exhibition rights on the moving picture

"The Call of the Nation" which deals with the service of the A. E. F. in France. His address is Lock Box 743, So. Brownsville, Pa.

R. Clyde Cruik, formerly first lieutenant Co. E, 319th Infantry, and Life Member No. 192, 80th Division Veterans' Association is an Attorney-at-Law in the McGill Building, Washington, D. C.

George Longhenry, formerly of Co. B, 319th Infantry is now located in Claypool, W. Va., having moved from Overbrook Boro, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Lieutenant Colonel Gordon R. Catts of the 319th Infantry is now located at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

319TH INFANTRY OFFICERS' RE-UNION

By DEWITT C. JONES, JR.

Due principally to the energy and "pep" of George Hodson, who undertook the job of organizing a reunion of the officers of the 319th Infantry after the plans for one in Baltimore, in November, had fallen through, a most successful party was held at the Hotel Pennsylvania in New York, on December 12th and 13th. Many of those who attended arrived on Friday the 12th, which was given over to informal "get-togethers" theatres, movies, etc. Thanks to George, room reservations were available for those who remained over night, and in every way, the arrangements were perfect. On Saturday evening, a dinner was served in a private dining room of the hotel, which was a most enjoyable affair.

To the great pleasure of everyone, Col. Cocheu came up from Baltimore and was warmly greeted by the crowd. No formal speeches were in order, but the Colonel gave a short talk. "Mike" Hogan, president of the Association of 319th Officers and Ted Cogswell, secretary, told why the Baltimore Reunion had failed and of the plans for staging a big reunion next spring. Nearly everyone present made a few remarks of one sort or another. Speeches at frequent intervals were made by "Abie" O'Connor and "Oats" Ridgely, which ranged from the pathetic to the comic and back again. Ted performed at the piano and many songs were rendered by the crowd which had not been heard since leaving France. Needless to say, the war was fought from start to finish and many surprising and heretofore unknown anecdotes were brought to light. The party did not break up until midnight and everyone agreed as to its unqualified success, especially as it had been arranged improptu. Undoubtedly had there been more time, many others in addition to those present would have been on hand.

During the winter, it is planned to send out return postals to each former officer of the regiment, calling for his correct address and other such information, so that a complete and accurate mailing list can be made out. A big reunion, in charge of Hogan, Cogswell, and Fred Hickman, is being planned for the spring at Atlantic City, and it is hoped that all ex-officers will co-operate to the fullest extent; first, by sending in the return postal as soon as it is received with the information called for, both as to themselves and also as to all others about whom they may know; second, by being on hand at Atlantic City; and third, by urging others to come.

It is unnecessary to mention our excellent record in the war, and the close associations and friendship then formed. These can best be kept alive through the medium of our annual reunions and everyone who has attended any of these has been a thousand-fold repaid. The officers of many regiments, even in our own division, have failed to hold even one reunion, so here too, the 319th is in the lead. The men in charge work hard to make these parties a success, and we must co-operate with them—and from the purely selfish reason of a mighty good time, each officer should make it a point to show up.

Among those on hand for the New York party were: Colonel Cocheu, Charley Rossire, "Doc" Connally, Frank Morrell, Snyder, "Doc" St. Clair, "Doc" Wilson, George Hodson, "Abie" O'Connor, "Oats" Ridgely, "Leo Miller, Steve Hopkins, D. C. Jones, Ted Cogswell, Mike Hogan, Fred Hickman, Charley Herr, Bob Whitlock, Harry Price and Pazzini.

320TH INFANTRY

Plans are being discussed by a few members of Headquarters Company, 320th Infantry for a banquet of the old outfit to be held sometime in February. As suggestions are wanted in regard to this matter all members of the company reading this are asked to send their ideas to Jas. E. Blair, 203 Church St., Dormont, South Hills Branch, Pittsburgh, Pa.

A son was presented to "Mark" Byrne of 936 St. James St., Pittsburgh, on October 7th. Mark will be remembered as a former Sergeant in K Company, 320th Infantry. The youngster is doing fine and has been named "Marcus" although answering also to the name of "Buddie." "Mark" Senior is making his mark with the Advertising Department of the Hires Root Beer concern in Pittsburgh.

Joseph Frew, former private of B Company, 320th Infantry is now located at R. F. D. No. 1, St. Clairsville, Ohio. Comrade Frew has been confined to the Tuberculosis Hospital in Pittsburgh, for the past two and one-half years.

M. W. Pilgram, former private of 320th Medical Detachment was married on November 4, 1924. His address is 114 North Main St., Sharpsburg, Pa. The boys wish to extend their hearty congratulations.

Cook Philip Eiffler of 320th Machine Gun Company is now living at 1312 Evergreen Ave., Millvale, Pa.

Henry Lycoe, Sergeant of 320th Infantry M. G. Company is connected with Houston Brothers Company, 1202 Chamber of Commerce Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Edgar W. McKinney, Private 1st Class Co. F, 320th Infantry is living at 1577 Westwood Ave., Lakewood, Ohio, and is connected with the Dodney Company of Lakewood, Ohio.

Jos. Blanc, Private of Hq. Company, 320th Infantry, is in the General Merchandise Business at Lamberton, Pa.

James Gregg, of Hq., 320th Infantry, is back home at 1819 Eaton Ave., McKeesport, Pa., after a period of treatment at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D.

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C. He brought back with him two very interesting photographs, one showing General Pershing shaking hands with him and another of President and Mrs. Coolidge extending the same courtesy.

Captain John McBride is now on duty in the Phillipine Islands and receives his mail at the Army and Navy Club, Manila. He reports being a very busy man looking after duties with two regiments, however, was contemplating a tiger hunting trip in French China, when he wrote last and expressed much interest in the proposed trip to France, in 1928.

COMPANY B, 320TH INFANTRY, P. C.

On Saturday evening, November 15th, twenty-five members of B Company's Unit P. C., participated at a dinner in the Seventh Avenue Hotel, Pittsburgh. The dinner was arranged in accordance with plans made during the Divisional Reunion in August when B Company organized. An excellent menu was furnished, but the most enjoyable feature was, of course, the meeting of old time Buddies. Men who had not seen each other since the battle of Chillicothe, got together and rehashed the days of "La Guerre" and compared notes on the campaign of Peace.

It was discovered that most of the men present had enlisted for a life long cruise on the uncharted Sea of Matrimony, and each proud daddy availed himself of the opportunity to tell about his little rookies and nurses. Some of our members felt so badly about missing the party that they sent messages of regret. Telegrams and letters were read from Captain Terry, Lt. Reynolds, Sergeants: F. J. McGinnes and Thomas Edelblute and Zellis. They all hope, and we do, too, that they will be present at the next meeting.

A short business session was held in which the same officers were re-elected. These are: M. J. Sughrue, president; Hugh O'Hara, vice president; and R. E. Rankin, 216 Penn Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa., secretary-treasurer. It was decided to retain the District Representative system. These are: Thomas Jacquette, Uniontown; Clyde McAninch, New Kensington; Wm. R. Hice, Greensburg; and R. E. Pluxkey, Millvale.

All information as to changes of address, occupations, marriages, births or deaths should be reported to the secretary for publication in SERVICE MAGAZINE.

The members of the company will regret to learn that on October 26th, Sergeant W. J. Dillner was found dead in his home. It is thought that death resulted from Carbon Monoxide gas from an open stove. Dillner joined Company B in the fall of 1917, and in due course was promoted to Corporal. He was made first sergeant after the Argonne Offensive and held that rank until he was mustered out of the service. At the time of his death he was engaged in the transfer and storage business.

Lt. Reynolds reports having received a letter from Captain Little with whom things are apparently going along all right except that he is having some trouble with his hearing. We hope this is nothing serious, Captain, and that you will secure speedy relief.

Anyone having the addresses of the following men, please advise the Secretary: Homer Beck, George Mohr, Ed. Roth, and Ed. Daly.

Eugene O'Neil has been in the Tuberculosis Hospital at Pittsburgh, for a long

time. He was well enough to get a pass to his old home in Chicago, over the holidays. Nice work, Kelly. We hope the improvement will be steady.

When last seen, Ted Ames and Ed. Doty were headed for Seattle, Washington. Good luck, boys!

Captain Little's new address is c/o Community Y. M. C. A., 355½ Main St., Salinas, Monterey Co., California.

Here's hoping everyone has a happy and prosperous New Year.

R. E. RANKIN, *Secretary.*

COMPANY "G" 320TH INFANTRY NOTES

Plans are again being made for the third get-together Banquet of Company G, 320th Infantry, which will be held on March 7, 1925, date and place where banquet will be held to be determined at committee meetings which will be held during the month of February. Any members of the company having changed their address are requested to get in touch with secretary Geo. J. Klier, at 915 Bessemer Building, so that a revised roster can be prepared before mailing out the notices. At a later date a committee will be appointed to make all the necessary arrangements. We want to make this the biggest and best one ever held. So every member get on the job and spread the good news.

E. Y. Dobson, formerly Sergeant Company G, 320th Infantry, has just returned from an extensive hunting trip. However, Dobie is still hunting for big game, but up to date has not put in his appearance with any lion or bears skins. Dobson is connected with the Deeds Registration Office in the City County Building, Pittsburgh, Pa. His home address is 4051 Geneva St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Frank Milton Brown, formerly Sergeant Company G, 320th Infantry, is now located at 122 Proctor Street, South Hills Station, Pittsburgh, Pa., Brown is employed by the Pittsburgh Railways Company. He drops in at headquarters occasionally to have a chat with his old Buddie Klier to fight the war all over again. He also assures us that he will be on hand for the next company banquet in March, and the reunion at Clarksburg, W. Va., next year.

John Loeffert, formerly Corporal Company G, 320th Infantry, known to most of the company as the company mail and laundry man and who was later transferred to Clothing Unit No. 315th, Q. M. C., is located at 2802 East Street, North Side, Pittsburgh, Pa. He is connected with the Dairymans Co-operative Sales Co., of Pittsburgh. John also will be on deck in March.

Who remembers this one that happened at Nicey, France. Allshouse, in an attempt to make a good job of Patrick Moroney, hurls a brick at Pat, but misses his shot. "Pryle" tried to finish the affair by going after Allhouse with an old fashioned (Shalley), but was stopped by "Dobbie" and Vogeley and several of the company although an Armistice had been signed, they still did not have enough of the fight.

Otis B. Melvin, formerly Private Company G, 320th Infantry, is still down old Virginia Way, and is located at Chincoteague, Va. "Bobbie" would like to know whether he is still collecting oysters.

Harry C. Strobel, formerly Private, first class, Company G, 320th Infantry, better known as (Dutch) will have to answer to this one. What was the idea of mutilating the four perfectly good base balls during the game between (Dutch's) team and the Hipper Dippers of McKees Rocks, during the past summer. It is very evident that (Dutch) has originated some special type of curves.

Any members of the company knowing the address of the following men will please communicate with George J. Klier at headquarters. Joseph Forsbach, Bob Burkosky, Vick Dominowsky, Harry Kelly, Thomas J. McHale, Patrick Clifford, Geo. Dienstbier, Charles Harper, Vincent Theide, Frank Turin, Anthony Wozniak. All members of the company are urged to send in news for the magazine to the secretary. Why keep all the good news to yourself let the other fellow enjoy knowing what the other fellow is doing. Following your conversation jot down a few notes and send them along to the secretary or the editor of SERVICE and they will appear in our company note columns in the magazine.

COMPANY "I" 320TH INFANTRY

We are happy in the return of Sabin Bolton after a month's absence from the city in connection with his work in the emergency department of the Pennsylvania Railroad. Sabin is one of the mainstays of old Company "I" organization and we like to have him near home for any emergency.

Eugene Baur, formerly company clerk was recently married to Miss Baur, of Pittsburgh, it will be on interest to all the company men to know that the lady did not have to change her name. Congratulations will be in order from any of the boys.

We regret to learn that Attorney Clyde Beistel, is obliged to start South for his health. Clyde has built up a nice practice and had the clouds showing a silver lining. We hope for a speedy recovery and that he can be with us at our Sixth Annual Reunion.

Oh, yes, Ike Feathers has another arrival at his home. Half a squad now with the old man doing sentinel duty at night. Can you imagine Ike walking the post these nice cold nights?

Plans are being made for the Sixth Annual Reunion of Company "I" 320th Infantry, which will probably be held some time in February.

Among the boys seen at the Pitt-W. J. game were: George Smith, of Springfield, Mass.; Ike Feathers, of Latrobe, Penna.; Sabin Bolton, Frank Anderson, and Jack Sugden, all of Pittsburgh.

The representation of Company "I" in the Armistice Day parade were as follows: Jack Sugden, Leslie Herdt, and Grobaldi, who marched with the 80th Division Section. E. V. Pennywitt, Harry Colette and several others were seen grazing the side lines along the line of march.

General Lloyd M. Brett, was the guest of honor at the Americus Club, Pittsburgh, Penna., on Armistice Day on the occasion of Old Home Week Celebration of John Baird Atwood, Post No. 285, Veterans of

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Foreign Wars of which he is a member. The General made one of his stunning speeches, and received a great hand by the boys. General Brett has always held an honored place in the hearts of the former service men and the latch string always hangs out to him at any time he can make a trip to the smoky city.

Harry Wills is married and living at Confluence, Penna., where he is engaged in the Lumber business. Mine posts, Mine Tires, and Mine rails are his hobby.

320TH INF. MACHINE GUN CO. NOTES

"The Pittsburgh Peps"

"Here we are again, here we are again, Machine Gun Co. boys are we, Three hundred and twentieth Infantry, The 'Pittsburgh Peps' again
A jolly good bunch of men
Whoop tee day dee doodle doodle
(whistled)
Here we are again."

Urban Doolittle, is in the Wholesale Grocery Business.

"Big Scotty"—who drove down to Camp Lee, just to see the Pittsburgh Delegation and who purchased two hundred dollars worth of Liberty Bonds, to help Machine Gun Co. make a good showing during the bond sales excitement in 1917, is still waiting for the delivery of his bonds, several letters to congressmen—Government Department heads and former officers of 320th, Infantry, have failed to produce any light upon what became of Mr. Scott's \$200.00, bonds.

"Bricky" Williams, was last seen headed for South America.

Latest reports from Griselles, Par Laignes, Cote D'or, France, indicate that every one is in their usual good health—no one ever dies over there it seems—Madame Chauchefoin and family have moved into a different house.

Captain C. C. Vermeule, again remembered the old command with a very attractive Xmas Card, and his usual good wishes to all.

Rumor has it that "Rip" Howard our Able Cook has lost his fine herd of cows, and is now just tending to the hay and things. "Rip" is still with the Sellcroft Farms at Greensburg, Pa.

Dutch Weiblen has deserted the stage and is now Pittsburgh representative for the Travella Folding Umbrella. Your name inside free and you can carry it in your vest pocket. Ed. says, 245 Fourth Ave., Pittsburgh, will find him.

Handsome Supply Sergeant, Jack Devereaux is a frequent caller at Headquarters. Jack is still traveling, won't tell us what he sells, but we suspect the worst. Jack is looking good, has a car and wishes every-buddy good luck. Oh! Yes! Jack always manages to keep ahead of the "Yoor Dooser Doo" Notices.

Cook "Red" Schwartz, is now happily married (You can tell by his face) and is now bouncing his (Flivver) all over the East, selling Barber Supplies for a Pittsburgh Supply House.

Sergeant Lycoe, reports, wife, children, and the job all doing fine and says, Homestead, Pa., is a good town to live in.

We understand that "Hop Sing" Valade is down in Florida, selling Chevrolet's.

Larry "The old Top Kick" is running the Ford Agency, at "Little" Washington, Pa. Married and doing fine.

"Red" Hannigan dropped in, had his bonus blank filled out—his finger prints taken, paid his dues—and imparted the sad news of the death of our old friend Carson, from pneumonia.

Wm. Percy is now United States Postmaster, at Scottdale, Pa.

Frank Scarpino, was unsuccessful in having the Pardon Board act favorably on his case, his address is Box A-12643 N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa. Frank can use tobacco money, and letters, from his old comrades.

Sergeant Confer has not been heard from for many moons.

Abe Friedlander gave a little party recently in the Penn-Albert Hotel, Greensburg, Pa., at which a number of former comrades decided that Abe was the greatest fellow that ever lived.

Among those who registered from 320th Machine Gun Co., at the Pittsburgh Reunion were the following: Captain C. C. Vermeule, Merle J. Scheller, W. R. Fitzgibbon, L. H. Rutherford, Barney Logue, John A. Carlisle, Paul E. Sheetz, Albert J. Utz, A. H. Friedlander, Frank Welty, John Devine, Phillip Eiffler, John Collins, Clyde O. Sippel, John Miterko, W. E. Scott, John L. Callahan, P. J. Flood, Wm. J. Ritchie, Victor R. Brennan, M. M. Dunn, Carl Fisher, Edgar Fisher, Wm. Davies Raymond E. Wetherill, Edward A. Quinn, Wm. A. Meister, G. W. Cook, Joseph G. Calverley, Roy Colt, Wm. McK. Summer-ville, J. S. Devereaux, Peter Morzarch, F. Keller, A. R. "Tony" Wagner, Carl Schwartz, Samuel Duncan, Boomer Clark, Red Hannigan, H. R. Curry, Andrew Marlin, and others, pretty good showing to have an entire platoon, "Present and accounted for."

The Fisher Brothers gave much life to the party, by taking the floor every time the Midnight Frolic needed a shot in the Arm. They made good, kept the crowd in an uproar and even fooled stage manager Fleming, who thought that the Solo dance by our famed A. E. F. Impersonator was real stuff, when it was only 320th M. G. Co's usual efficiency. Fleming is still in bad with the Fisher Brothers, as a result.

Skipper Vermeule honored the convention by bringing along his better half, who lays claim to more A. E. F. Service than the Captain, and who just naturally understood the situation, and we believe had a good time.

The Captain and Mrs. Vermeule, spent a short visit with Larry and Mrs. Rutherford, after the convention closed.

The fame of Captain Charles Ford Summer, was known far and wide among the enlisted men of the regiment. Many were the inquiries from buddies of other com-

panies concerning the skipper who delighted in putting his men in irons.

The Veterans' Association is always remembered with a nice Christmas Card from Mrs. Minnie Gertler, mother of "Little" Freddie Gertler, one of the outstanding heroes of Machine Gun Co., who died a martyr to "esprit de corps," and a break down in the efficiency of our Medical Unit.

Barney Logue is now proprietor of a Hotel at Carnegie, Pa.

Big Ed. Labomsky, was seen walking along Grant St., Pittsburgh, with two children. Ed. had them both by the hand and from their happy faces they seemed very proud of their big, good natured Daddy. Wonder if Ed. and Corp. Curry are keeping in checker trim for the next war?

COMPANY D.

Martin C. Stine, formerly of D Company, who is at present in U. S. Veterans' Hospital No. 97, Building 6, Chillicothe, Ohio, writes "I can state that I am improving. If you can furnish me any information about being gassed it will be greatly appreciated, as I got a dose of German Gas on November 1, 1918, and was shell shocked also. I have a scar on the left side of my forehead that I can give no account of. Before I was transferred to D Company, 320th Infantry, 1st Battalion, 80th Division, I was sick in Monpont, France. B. F. Thomas and Harry Black were also sick there and were transferred to the same Company that I was transferred to. They were members of the same company that I was in at Camp Sherman, Ohio. If they can give any information about my disability it will greatly help me."

COMPANY "F" 305TH AMMUNITION TRAIN

By LEAN A. GAINSTER

Just learned that John "Fat" Yersky is employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad at the Wheatland Round-House, Wheatland, Pa.

John "Baldy" Bacon has served his time at the Westinghouse in Sharon, and now is employed at Wheatland Round-House, by the Pennsylvania R.R.

Earl T. Barber (Griffin) is entitled to the crown for hard luck. Earl was drafted under the name of Barber although his mother had been re-married to a Griffin; after returning home Earl applied for Compensation under the name of Griffin and now his records are all balled up.

Where the dickens is our old friend and X-Looie George McPherson Minatree? He failed to put in appearance at the last reunion nor can we discover where he is hanging his hat, and at the same time we wonder if he is still a batchelor. If any one happens to know the whereabouts of George the same will be appreciated if they notify the SERVICE immediately if not sooner.

Last Christmas in the Army in France, 1918, where were we guys? Why Ance-Le-Franc, of course, don't you remember, or were you ko-nee-aked up so bad that you can only remember the next morning.

C. C. Agate, "F" Companies Skipper, is billeted at 190 Sherman Ave., Glenn Ridge, N. J. I bet Cecil picked that town because it sounded like the old Division name. Understand that his Missus just lately re-

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turned from a trip across the pond to visit the battle fields. Here's hoping she enjoyed her trip.

H. R. Curry, resident secretary, of the Association and Managing editor of the SERVICE remembered his friends at Christmas time with a very unique card containing a verse which would give one the idea of a Radio station broadcasting, Henry called his station "H.R.C." It was real good, believe us thou me.

Don't forget now you Company F-ers to save up your pennies from now on till June, so you'll have that three plunks ready for next years dues, and magazine subscription. Don't put it off lest you forget.

Don't forget now you Company F-ers June 20, 1925, Sharon, Pa.

Save up your jitneys so you will have train fare at least, but of course you can come BLIND if you care to, but get there regardless of Hell or high water. Don't weigh yourselves down with hooch either. Bill Pratt and Black Jack Exposito are on the Farrell, Pa., police force and it will only take you ten minutes to get to that town by street car, you know the rest, gang.

If you don't have a good time it will be nobody's fault but your own.

Pat McCann says, he will have his FROG medal all shined up to show the boys, now don't misunderstand me, I said the medal will be all shined up—not "PAT."

Will try to have "Jennie" Moore on the job with his typewriter to jot down the names of the gang. Hope "Jennie" can do it without getting it all bulled up. You know how she used to put the "Kibosh" on the pay rolls.

"German Spy" Eckles will be down from Gr'enville, Pa., with his clippers and shears so the boys don't have to go without a shave or a haircut.

Any of you birds that figure in driving in will be all JAKE, for Ex-Chief Mechanic Bob Anderson promises to have his Mechanics on the job to make any necessary repairs to the rolling stock.

Our Ex-Skipper, C. C. Agate, wants to make his arrangements now so that business won't interfere, and at the same time we delegate him a committee of one to get the news to Geo. Minatree our "twice Looie." No excuse will be accepted.

Jim Wallace will be in from the farm to help celebrate.

"Bill" McFall will be present unless he kicks off, but we hope that won't come to pass, for some time for Bill is just in his prime now.

A. O. Shaffer is to be in charge of the decorations and he figures a few bottles prominently displayed will ward off any attacks of homesickness.

President and Treasurer, John Gustafson will have the JAM SQUAD on hand to greet the bunch, and he says, he don't mean maybe. That will account for Spot Taylor.

R. O. Haas is going to keep on the good side of his brother so he will be able to get away from that Grocery Store at Wilkinsburg, Pa.

Everett, Pa., will be represented by the Hon. Percy B. Chamberlain, and at the same time, it will be up to Percy to post the news in the village store so the rest of the birds down that way will be HEP.

Now that Sam Felton is selling extracts get your orders in early for Vanilla, Lemon, etc., especially you guys that liked to do K.P. at Camp Lee, so you could get at

Murphy's supply room where he always kept a good stock on hand for his own use.

Geo. J., (better known as "Dago") Frank is now a son of toil for the Westinghouse Corp., in their new plant at Sharon, Pa. The best part of it all being poor Dago had to get a job, for he went and did it again, got married. When they fall, they fall hard, Dago used to brag that he was never going to get married again, but its a great life if you don't weaken.

John J. (Baldy) Bacon, is also on the employed list at the Westinghouse here.

You can see "Dago" and "Baldy" parked along the front of the office building, on Sharpville Ave., looking over the SHE-MALES as they promenade past during the noon hour. Baldy promised faithfully that he would attend the Fifth Reunion, but that didn't mean anything—guess Baldy's promises are like a 1917 Mark.

Say boys, while we got Baldy on the pan we might as well do a good job. Do you remember the time that he wrote a letter back to his girl in Farrell, Pa., and Minatree censored it and added a little bull about what a good soldier, Baldy was, Hot Zigadee!

For the information of all concerned, John Gustafson, Jr., as President and Treasurer of the Co. F., has picked June 20, 1925, as the day that will go down in history when the old pals of Company F, 305 Ammunition Train meet in Sharon, Penna. Be there, maybe won't go. Start to get ready now, bunch.

Ex-Sgt. Fred Miller, of Sharpville, Pa., and Married is sporting around in a JEWETT COOP. Some class, eh.

It is reported that, after, our old pal and Friend Mike Clarke got back home from the Reunion, he had met with a automobile accident, which laid him up for repairs. We sincerely hope nothing serious.

Mrs. A. J. (Spot) Taylor, of Stoneboro, Pa., is reported as fully re-covered from the injuries she received when she was hit by a "flivver" in front of her home.

No reports from our old pal J. L. Taylor, of Stoneboro, Pa., as to why he was among the absentees from the Fifth Reunion.

Samuel Felton was in Sharon, the other day and reports feeling a little better, but the improvement is very slow. He has the district called route 1 and is selling for the American Products Co., of Cincinnati, Ohio, and is doing good he claims. Glad to hear it, Sam.

A rumor just floated in, that the Saturday night or maybe it was closer to Sunday morning of reunion week; Frank Heeg was host to some of our F Co., reunioners in his Suite at the Wm. Penn Hotel. An enjoyable time was had by all, so the rumor runs, but otherwise everything else was a secret.

On November 5th, there was a piece in the Sharon paper about Clarence (Puss) Burgoon, of Farrell, Pa., being a witness to his brother shooting a rabbit, a squirrel, and a grouse in one shot while out hunting. HOT DORG!

313TH FIELD ARTILLERY NOTES

Roger G. Fahringer, ex-private of E Battery, for the past three years has been First Sergeant of a Medical Co., of the 28th Division, National Guard. Fahringer is teller at the Abington National Bank, of Clarks Summit, Pa., where he lives.

"Boose" Clower has reported as improving, and now with the aid of a cane is able to walk about. "Booze" would appreciate hearing from any of his buddies. His address is Moorefield, W. Va.

The Principal of the Bower, W. Va. School, is none other than our old friend, Corporal L. W. Frame. The Principal's well known dignity could be knocked into the better known cocked-hat by relating a few stories of his army days, but friendship prevents that.

Col. Charles D. Herron, who organized the 313th F. A. Regiment, at Camp Lee, is in command of all Artillery at Fort Sill, Okla. Major Wallace, who assisted Col. Herron at Camp Lee, is in command of a regiment of Artillery at Fort Sill.

Commander N. L. Enders of the Perryville Post of the American Legion, is putting a lot of snap and pep into the organization and has one of the largest posts in the Pittsburgh District. Enders was formerly of E Battery.

Ex-corporal "Rounder" Groves returned to the railroad after getting his "divvy" from Uncle Sam. He is employed by the C. & C. R. R. "Rounder" is living at Gassaway, W. Va. This town is also the home of Ex-Sergeant John Thomas, who, like Groves, is married. Thomas is employed as a machinist by the C. & C. Railroad.

Charley Ball, E. Battery Barber, is still taking in the Francs at his old game at Bower, W. Va.

Captain E. A. F. Morgan, is connected with the Law Firm of Coleman, Fell, Morgan and Brune, with offices in the Citizen's National Bank Building, Baltimore, Md. Captain Morgan had the pleasure of returning to France in the summer of 1922, and motored over that section of the front covered by our regiment in 1918. He covered the entire section in about seven hours, whereas it took us seven weeks to do it in 1918. The Captain states the country has changed quite a bit, although Bethincourt and Montfaucon are as we left them, the towns being rebuilt on new sites. Morgan claims he found what looked like a petrified doughnut at Cunel Woods where "Bubbie" Quirk is known to have lost a few. This souvenir will be sent to "Bubbie" on request.

Captain Eben D. Cross of "D" Battery, is one of the City Solicitors of Baltimore City. He was married last spring at Princeton, N. J., to one Elizabeth Field, daughter of Capt. Field of the U. S. Navy.

Thomas H. Walsh, looks like a million dollars these days. Tom is Assistant Superintendent of the Scranton, Pa. Branch of the Baltimore Life Insurance Co. He seems to thrive on hard work. Walsh reports the wife and two daughters doing fine.

Joe Coffindaffer, ex-Sergeant E Battery, is hibernating at Winding Gulf, W. Va., where he moved about a year ago after getting married.

Ex-Private Charles B. Hershman, returned to his home in Pittsburgh, for a week in December. Mershman has been

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in California since March, 1920, where he is installing pipe organs. Any comrade intending to give the wife a pipe organ for a present may secure a liberal discount through Charley.

Captain Geo. D. and Lt. J. A. Penniman of C Battery, are located in Baltimore, Md., where the Captain is with the Consolidated Gas, Electric Light and Power Co., and the Lieutenant is practicing law with offices in the Calvert Building.

"Long" Otto Jensen, the corn doctor of E Battery, with his wife and two children are living at Sorum, S. Dak., where the west is, and not where it begins. Jensen is manager of the Sorum Store Company, and is about 55 miles distant from a railroad, so far from civilization, as Jensen puts it, that it takes a week to receive radio programs.

BATTERY D, 313TH F. A.

Here's a letter from an Old Timer who has been A. W. O. L., but has evidently heard a rumor about "Our Mag."

"Dear Comrades: I am a rough nut of the 80th and I am not satisfied without hearing from you all through our old 80th magazine which is put out by some Buddy or by the 80th, so come on with the magazine, and here is the money for my dues and a button. As ever—a Buddy to all,

T. W. BORRICKMAN,
(Ex-Corporal, Bat. D, 313th F. A.)
Adolph, W. Va.

BATTERY E, 313TH F. A.

Edgar P. Keyser, formerly Corporal of Battery E, located at Rynel Hose Co. No. 1, Martinsburg, W. Va., paid a visit to Headquarters on Armistice Day and participated with Pittsburgh Post No. 3, 80th Division Veterans' Association in the parade. After January 1st, he will be warden at the jail in Martinsburg, where he will no doubt be glad to greet any of the old comrades (passes issued for 60 days by the Judge). He is serving in the capacity of Chief Deputy in Martinsburg, and will be glad to hear from any of the comrades at the Hose Co. address. He looks for a large delegation of the 313th F. A. to be at Clarksburg, next summer.

HEADQUARTERS, 313TH F. A.

C. A. Morrison, former Sergeant Major of Headquarters Co., is now located with the Paint Creek Supply Stores, Gallagher, Kanawha Co., W. Va.

Donald B. Fullerton, Executive Council Member, is now located at 520 West 7th St., Plainfield, N. J.

Edgar O. Smith, formerly of Headquarters, 155th Field Artillery Brigade, spent the holidays in Pittsburgh, and paid a visit to Headquarters during his stay. He is receiving treatment for Tuberculosis at U. S. Veterans Hospital 98, Castle Point, New York, a sanatorium about forty miles out of New York City. He reports receiving fine treatment and that several other members of the division are in the hospital. Comrade Smith is a widower, having lost his wife by death last year, and he has one child in Pittsburgh. Prior to his entrance to the hospital he was employed in train service on the Pennsylvania Railroad.

314TH FIELD ARTILLERY

Howard Walter Eck, formerly 314th F. A., was married Thursday, November 27, 1924, to Miss Elsie Jane Haas. Comrade Eck and his bride will reside at 1512 North 12th St., Reading, Pa. All members of 314th F. A. Medical Detachment join in congratulating Comrade Eck and his wife. He is remembered throughout the regiment as one of its best singers at Camp Lee, and many of the boys will also remember his wife who spent several weeks visiting Camp Lee, just prior to our sailing for France.

The happy couple were married at 10:00 A. M., and at noon boarded a train to Philadelphia, being met at the station by Comrade Ecks old Buddy, Sam Millinghausen. It is needless to say that there was much to talk about, as the comrades had not met since November, 1918, at which time Eck was badly gassed and unable to talk for several months, however, he made up for it at this meeting. The thing Eck was most interested in finding out about was the 314th Regimental History, which he had never seen, but needless to say will have before long. He stated that Cornelius English, formerly of Headquarters Company and better known as the "Regimental Pianist" visited him at Reading several times while putting on a performance at a local theatre. Comrade Eck and wife, spent the week end visiting Millinghausen and one night seeing Philadelphia's bright lights, trying to find out if General Butler's men had missed any place. Both had a thoroughly good time and invited all the comrades to pay them a visit at Reading.

Robert J. Green, formerly Private in 314th F. A., is connected with the Elm Grove Electric Co., 1004 National Road, Elm Grove, W. Va.

John A. McLaughlin, former private of 314th F. A. is a member of the firm of McLaughlin Brothers, General Hauling, of Elizabethtown, Pa.

Mike Scher of E Battery, 314th F. A. now conducts Scher's Soda and Segar establishment at Richmond, Va.

Three rounds, sweeping two turns—Fire! So Camp Lee is "finis." Fellows, do you ever see ghosts of it? Fatigue, horses, officers, non-coms, corduroy road, and what not? Not so bad when we relax and think it over. How about two weeks of it all over again? Next best—see you at the reunion in Clarksburg, in 1925, right in the heart of the Artillery Sector. Lets "pep" it up now!

About six years ago, Armistice Day, those of us outside of Mouzay on the cold, frosty ground on active duty (while the more fortunate comrades were in real hay in town) were informed by our Gas Guard, that a passing doughboy had told him that a Major had passed the word that an Armistice had been signed to take effect at 11:00 A. M. Did we believe it? Not quite. If we had been told that we would break the ties of comradeship and show a lack of interest in our Division, our answer would have been No. All right—kick in with three bucks and talk it over with some of our delinquent buddies and also send in the dope for the Artillery column.

Wonder what Mike Scher, formerly of E Battery from Richmond, Va., is doing? In

pre-war days he conducted a cigar and confectionery stand near the Murphy Hotel. When the occasion arose Mike would stock up on a couple of boxes of chocolate at our Commissary at St. Vinnemer. He must have thought he was in Richmond at the old stand as not a piece could be coaxed out of him.

What happened to Terry Garrison, former Sergeant of E Battery, while at the Reunion in Pittsburgh. We are informed that he was taken to the Guard House twice, and some one, (not a beauty doctor) caused him to obtain a black eye. Maybe he was working out with Harry Greb—anyway we would have liked to have seen the other fellow.

Martin J. Lane, former Sgt. of C Battery suffered a painful and serious accident recently when he fell from the second story of a building while repairing a window. He was removed to a hospital and from last reports was out of danger and recovering.

Harrison M. Pattison, former Sgt. C. Battery who recently returned from Walter Reed Hospital after being under observance on account of the condition of his lungs is back at Marsh & Sons rolling big Havanas, and claims he is as much at sea in regards to his case as ever, but still going strong.

The V. F. W. Club House on Wheeling Hill was the scene of a grand reunion of former 314th members during the month of September, when practically all organizations of the regiment were represented. A good time was had by all, but judging from the gloomy faces of some seen the day after some sad tales were also told.

We knew he could do it. Lieutenant Finter of E Battery launched his plane successfully from a dirigible balloon some time back. He is in the aviation service and has the old "grit" eh?

305TH ENGINEERS

"Skipper" Rockwell of F Company, 305th Engineers, is still with the Big Sandy Coal Co. of Pikeville, Ky.

Francis E. Bergeron, former Sergeant of Co. B, lost his card case at Moose Temple in Pittsburgh, during the reunion. It contained cards of Post No. 8, American Legion of St. Paul, Minn., 80th Division Life Membership Card No. 204, and other papers. Any one finding it is requested to send it to him at General Delivery, Sepwar, Pa. He is now connected with the Dwight P. Robinson, Engineering Company, of Pittsburgh.

Arther J. Yost, formerly Sergeant of Headquarters Detachment, 305th Engineers, is with the Derry Glass Sand Co. of Latrobe, Pa.

J. C. McCullough, formerly Band Sergeant, 305th Engineers is with the American Sheet and Tin Plate Co. at Pittsburgh, Pa., address, Box 62.

Colonel Spalding is going right ahead with the work of Wilson Dam, Muscle Shoals, regardless of what the legislators decided to do with it after it is completed.

305TH SANITARY TRAIN

John A. Robinson, formerly Private, First Class of the Divisional Medical Supply Unit is now with the Columbiana Buick Co., 21 East Railroad St., Columbiana, Ohio.

Charles F. Davenport, formerly of 318th Ambulance Co., is with the Sun Life Assur-

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ance Co. of Canada, with offices at 318 Westinghouse Building, Pittsburgh, Pa.

George H. Mercer, Bugler of 318th Ambulance Company, is with the Central Lumber & Supply Company of West Park Avenue, Niles, Ohio.

Paul J. Dougherty of 317th Field Hospital, 305th Sanitary Train, had a surprise presented to him on July 18th, Paul Joseph Dougherty, Jr., arriving as a member of the family at Paul's home in Millvale, N. J.

Thaddeus C. Hill, Private of 317th Ambulance Co., is connected with the Nahunta Hardware Co., of Fremont, N. C.

305TH MOTOR SUPPLY TRAIN

J. Filbert of Company A, is driving a truck for M. Simons Sons, Lumber Company of Pittsburgh, Pa. He is living at 934 43rd St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

John Higgins, former Corporal of E Co., is in charge of the repair department of an Automobile concern on the North Side, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Captain Lucien Lowndes, former commander of the Train and of B Company, is in the insurance business with the firm of Lowndes & Lowndes, South St. & Exchange Place, Baltimore, Md. He is endeavoring to compile the history of the Train at the request of the Maryland War History Commission and also in order to include it in the Divisional History being prepared by Historian Stultz. All material in the possession of B. C. Clark of the Association Headquarters has been sent him, and he is particularly interested in obtaining more information such as diaries, etc., relating to Companies, A, B, C, D, and F. Any material sent him will be returned after he is through with it and it is of the utmost importance that all members of these units co-operate to the fullest extent with him as the data on hand at present is limited. If you are interested in seeing that posterity has some record that there was such an outfit as the 305th M. S. T., it is up to every individual to speed up their motors and look around the house to see what they can salvage in the way of historical data.

GENERAL NEWS NOTES

Our President Frank Schoble, Jr., resigned as Assistant Chief of Staff, Veterans of Foreign Wars, District No. 1, on October 22, 1924.

The Service Legion of Richmond, Va., unveiled a memorial to Virginia's Heroic World War Deed on Sunday afternoon, November 30, 1924, in Riverview Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia.

General Lloyd M. Brett, Honorary Life President of the Association was elected Commander of the Department of the District of Columbus, Military Order of the World War, on October 23, 1924. General Brett makes an ideal commander for the Capital City department because of his knowledge of veteran affairs and his acquaintances in official Washington.

Joseph W. Bailey, formerly First Lieutenant 155th Field Artillery Headquarters was married on November 15th to Miss

Roberta Davis of St. Louis, Mo. The announcement card was received by Edgar O. Smith of the same unit. The couple will make their home in Texas.

Pennsylvania Auxiliary No. 1, 80th Division Veterans' Association will not hold any meetings during the month of January, according to information received from Miss Sue Sellers, secretary.

J. F. Ettlenger, former Battalion Sgt., Major of Hqrs. Detachment, 80th Division, is connected with the Motz Lumber Co., 417 Donner Ave., Monessen, Pa.

The following letters indicate some of the service our Association is constantly furnishing to former members of the division:

"80th Division Veterans' Assn., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Comrades:

"Your letter of December 8th, received. Was indeed glad to get such a quick reply and thanks many times for the excellent service. I wrote you another letter since my transfer here to this hospital from San Francisco, and the information that you furnished me will be a great help to clear up my case, so if you can furnish Lieutenant J. E. Farquher's address, I will be able to get along fine. Thanking you again for your trouble, I will close wishing all members of the Association a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I am,

Yours in Comradeship,
"F. M. BRENNAN,

"(Cpl. Clothing Unit 315),
"U. S. Veterans Hospital 24,
"Palo Alto, Cal."

The following letter from comrade Brennan of a more recent date refers to an annual Christmas Package, which Pennsylvania Auxiliary No. 1, sent him upon receiving information from our headquarters that he was in the hospital:

"Dear Comrades:

"Your letter of the 18th, received and many more previous and was indeed glad to obtain such service from you. Talking about service through your organization, I had the surprise of my life to receive a nice gift from your organization and many more of Pittsburgh and near cities. A nice package indeed, and a big surprise to me as I have been out in California, four years now this January, so you see it did my heart good to receive it, and I hope that you will thank all of those who made the gift possible through your magazine in the next issue. There is another Buddy here by the name of Gallegher, who also received a package. Comrades, as my case with the Bureau is pending due to some papers that I must produce to make it complete, I am out of the hospital for the present and doing nicely, and the New Year will find my case complete due to the EXCELLENT service rendered me through your organization. Please let me know what the dues are to re-up in the Association and will get back in at my first opportunity.

"I remain, one of the Blue Ridge Buddies,

"FRANK M. BRENNAN,
"4902 California St.,
"San Francisco, Cal."

Announcement was made of the appointment of Thomas Fitzgerald, Commander of the John Baird Atwood Post No. 285, Veterans of Foreign Wars, as Vice

President and General Manager of the Pittsburgh Railways Company, Pittsburgh, Pa. Mr. Fitzgerald prior to the war was for a number of years general manager of the Cincinnati Traction Company.

During the war he was Lieutenant Colonel, and has been commissioned Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, in the Organized Reserve Corps of the United States Army.

Commander Fitzgerald was made General Manager of the Pittsburgh Railways Company upon its being removed from a receivership which had extended for nearly six years.

Commander Fitzgerald will be remembered as the man who placed America's First Aluminum Painted Street Car, at the disposal of the Division during the 1924 Reunion.

The following letter from the American Red Cross in Pittsburgh, indicates the kind of action that everyone likes to hear about:

"Resident Secretary,
80th Division Veterans' Assn.,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

"My dear Mr. Curry:

"With reference to your letter of November 6th, in which you enclosed a letter from Mr. Daniels to Mr. Schoble, stating that Mr. Daniels was in the Tuberculosis hospital and needed assistance for his wife and child, may we advise we have visited Mr. Daniels, filed his claim for compensation with the Bureau, arranged to finance the living expenses of his wife and children while he is under government care, and have secured the authorization for his removal to a hospital in Kentucky, which will take place shortly. If we can be of further assistance to you on any case, kindly advise us.

"Very truly,
"American Red Cross,
"Home Service Section."

When We Go Back to France

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those stirring days when we "played the game" squarely, with never a reason now to be ashamed. True, it was a "daily grind" then, but today that once irksome, galling duty has become a priceless reminder that justifies our lives and right to be distinguished from the masses; veterans we are, and veterans we shall be always—only more so.

Sooner or later, each of us will perform prodigies, that we may return to that French soil which we once solemnly declared would never see our foot-prints again. When we do go, whether in 1927 or 1928, let us go in a body, as Blue Riders and as the 80th went to achieve immortal name in 1918; let us show our one-time Allies in language unmistakable that we, the "Kat-ro-van" Division, are still united as one in our hopes, ambitions and purposes and still preserve our identity. Above all, let us remember that a "Buck to France" fund started now will save regrets when the 80th sails again, immune from the dangers of subs and cigarette stubs!

Soldier Legislation

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period of one year, and who, in the judgment of the Director will not reach a condition of arrest by further hospitalization, and whose discharge from hospitalization will not be prejudicial to the beneficiary or his family, and who is not, in the judgment of the Director, feasible for training.

Under the present law such veteran, upon his request, shall be discharged from hospitalization and rated as temporarily, totally disable for a period of three years. The proposed amendment would have him rated permanently and totally disabled for a period of three years under these circumstances.

The proposed amendment further provides that whenever any beneficiary under this title has been rated temporarily totally disabled and has been or shall be continuously so rated and so disabled for a period of twenty-four months, and has been thereafter found to be unable to successfully follow any materially gainful occupation, such beneficiary shall be judged permanently totally disabled, such rating not to be decreased within a further period of twenty-four months.

SECTION 202—SUBDIVISION 6

Under this proposed amendment the Veterans' Bureau would supply special clothing made necessary by the wearing of prosthetic appliances prescribed by the Bureau.

SECTION 202—SUBDIVISION 9

The proposed amendment to this section would modify the "willful misconduct" provision which under the present law has prevented certain veterans from receiving hospitalization, dental, medical, surgical, convalescent care and treatment and prosthetic appliances. A saving clause is added in the amendment which provides that no alleged willful misconduct shall bar a claimant from any benefits of this section unless a conviction by a court martial for the alleged offense can be shown.

SECTION 202—SUBDIVISION 10

This is the general hospitalization section of the World War Veterans' Act, 1924, which provides hospitalization and necessary traveling expenses to Veterans of any war, military occupation or expedition since 1897, without regard to the origin or nature of their disabilities. The proposed amendment would add out-patient and dispensary treatment, including dental, medical, surgical care and prosthetic appliances. In addition it would provide that this hospitalization, outpatient and dispensary treatment shall be extended in the discretion of the officers in charge of such facilities when application is made directly to the hospital. It is hoped by this latter amendment to allow the immediate en-

trance of veterans to hospitals, without red-tape, where emergency circumstances warrant it.

SECTION 205

The proposed amendment to this section would establish the principle that where a claimant's disability has once been held to be of service origin, it cannot at a later date and upon the same evidence be held to be not of service origin, except it be upon new evidence, and except in cases of fraud participated in by the claimant.

SECTION 304

This section governs the reinstatement of lapsed term insurance and converted insurance. The proposed amendment would allow a veteran suffering from a service connected disability, but who is not permanently and totally disabled, to revive his insurance through having the amount of the back premiums placed as a non-interest bearing indebtedness against the face value of his insurance, where proof satisfactory to the Director, is furnished showing the applicant is unable to pay all of the back monthly premiums which would have become payable if his insurance had not lapsed, as is required under the present law.

SECTION 400

This is the section which governs the eligibility of veterans to vocational rehabilitation. It is proposed to amend this to broaden the "willful misconduct" clause so that no alleged willful misconduct shall bar a claimant from any benefit under this title, unless a conviction by court martial for the alleged offense can be shown.

This section is further amended to provide that where a veteran has been declared non-feasible for training on account of service-connected disabilities, and is unable to secure and retain gainful employment, he shall be rated as totally disabled, and be compensated accordingly.

SECTION 401

The proposed amendment to this section would eliminate the date of June 30, 1926, as the end of the time in which the Veterans' Bureau shall furnish vocational rehabilitation.

The section is further amended to provide a family allowance for a dependent mother (or dependent father) of \$20 a month, or both, \$30.

SECTION 402 & SECTION 406

Both of these sections are amended to strike out the provision of the present law which would end vocational rehabilitation on June 30, 1926.

SECTION 503

This section is amended to provide a fine of not more than \$2,000 or imprisonment for not more than one year for any per-

son who receives any money, check, compensation, insurance, or maintenance and support allowance without being entitled thereto, and with intent to defraud any beneficiary of the U. S. Veterans' Bureau.

HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION—The St. Paul Convention resolution called for the construction of 1,615 additional beds in Modern Fireproof Veterans' Bureau hospitals, to be erected in 12 of the 14 districts into which the country has been sub-divided for Administration purposes by the Veterans' Bureau.

The Fernald-Langley Bill was passed by the last session of Congress, authorizing the construction of 2,350 additional permanent fireproof hospital beds. This was far below the number requested. Chairman Johnson introduced and obtained the passage of H. Res. 351 at the close of the last session, authorizing his Committee to conduct a survey and investigation of all hospital facilities during the summer recess, and to report back its findings to the Congress when it convened on the first of December. Under this authorization many members of the Veterans' Committee have investigated Hospital conditions in various parts of the country during the past summer and fall. As all of the members were not ready to submit written reports of their findings on December 1st, Chairman Johnson, on December 3rd, introduced H. Res. 370, to extend the time for the final Committee report to Congress to February 15, 1925.

Recommendations of the St. Paul Convention for the creation of a Medical Corps within the United States Veterans' Bureau are accomplished by a measure introduced on December 9th, by Representative Snyder of New York. The bill is known as H. R. 10534. Chairman Johnson has appointed the following sub-committee to consider this legislation:—

Resolutions concerning the future administration of soldiers homes are incorporated in a bill introduced on December 3, 1924, by Chairman Johnson, now known as H. R. 10149. This bill was referred by the Speaker of the House to the House Committee on Military Affairs, although it was introduced by Chairman Johnson in the belief that it would be referred to the World War Veterans' Committee. The attitude of the Military Affairs Committee on the jurisdiction of the measure will not be known until this Committee meets following the holiday recess.

From the foregoing it will be seen that all of the legislation affecting the disabled, which was recommended has been introduced in the Congress, and that hearings on all of these measures will be begun immediately following the first of the New Year.

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Old Pals of the Army

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illustrious American general go in state to keep his engagement. The sentries at the gate had positive orders to keep a sharp lookout and to present arms when Grant arrived, but no carriage drove up to the gate; only a modest, quiet looking gentleman, dressed in walking coat who threw away his cigar as he passed the guards and entered the driveway. Little, of course, did any one suppose that he was the famous Grant!

What had been the topic of conversation between these two great leaders, would, even at this late date, be a most interesting chapter. Next day I read in the Kreuz Zeitung how all Berlin talked about, and was amused at General Grant and his cigar. He was the hero of the day, he added more to his reputation by his quiet modesty than had he gone in full uniform, in a state coach and four to breakfast with Bismarck. The entire incident was unheard of in the military and imperial Berlin!

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The following little verse sent in by Clabe Adams of Cromona, Ky., a former member of Company B, Armistice Day, shows that he hasn't forgotten the comrades with whom he served:

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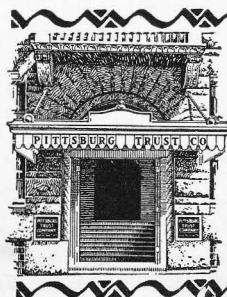
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A special effort is being made at this time to assemble all available source material in order that preparation of the actual narrative may not be further delayed. Any documents or records in the possession of our readers and considered of sufficient importance should be forwarded without delay. All such data will be acknowledged and returned immediately it has served its purpose. Field orders and memorandums relating to combat operations, war diaries and operations, reports and troop movement orders are especially needed, inasmuch as many important items are missing from the official files in Washington.


Among data urgently desired at this time is information concerning the 313th Machine Gun Battalion, the 305th Ammunition Train, the 305th Field Signal Battalion, the 305th Motor Supply Train, Headquarters Troop and the Division Postal Detachment. Facts and material relating to the Advance Detachment that preceded the Division overseas and to the Division Commander's tour of the Western Front during the winter of 1917-18, as well as copies of orders authorizing the embarkation of the Division for France, are also needed. Remember that your History Committee is largely dependent upon your co-operation and assistance for the success of its efforts. If any unit or organization is not adequately treated in the forthcoming History of the 80th, the omission will be due to failure of their members to render that measure of support so essential to the achievement of a creditable narrative.


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