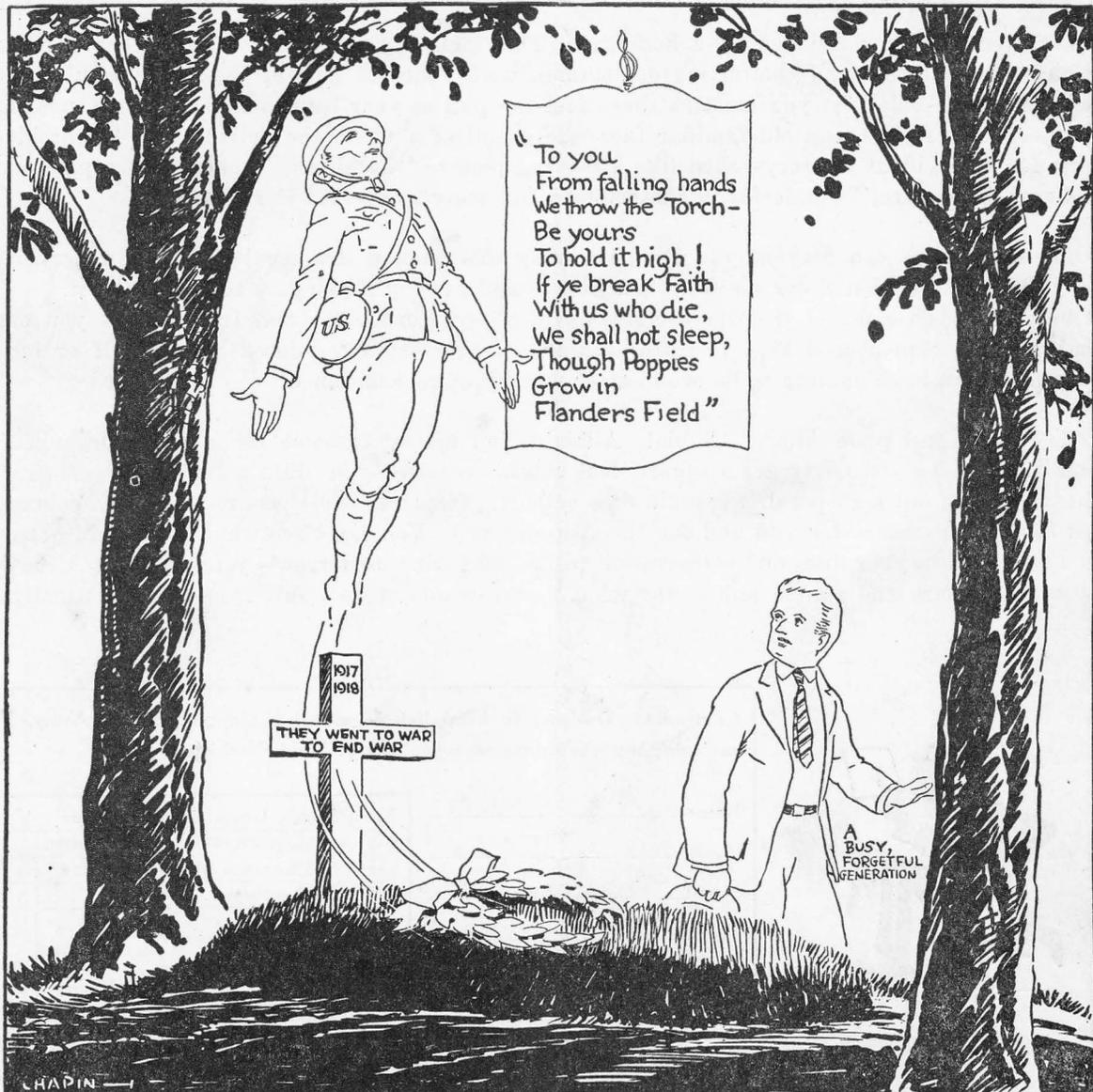


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HAVE WE KEPT THE FAITH?

ALIBIS! ALIBIS! ALIBIS!

"Pope was a hunchback." "Carlyle had chronic indigestion and melancholia. Robert Louis Stevenson was a consumptive and wrote most of his books in bed. Daniel Webster was too timid to recite in school. Booker T. Washington was a Negro and a pauper. E. H. Harriman, at the time of his greatest battles and achievements, was a physical invalid. Alibis! Alibis! Alibis! But never used. Never thought.

"The road to great achievements is peopled with cringing alibis, whining, winking, enticing, whispering of easier by-paths, tempting by their insidious allurements to divert the traveler from his objective, and promising to excuse his failure."

Yet all of these people rose manfully above their handicaps and made of them stepping stones to success. It is largely a matter of will, of grim determination, of alibis perfectly good but never presented. Roosevelt might never have been the man that he was if he had had good health in his youth. Opposition creates determination.

Character is often developed by a handicap. The handicap of being without the interesting, entertaining, wholesome and comforting communion with your old pals of the Army may not be an overwhelming one—and yet you must at times feel the pull at your heartstrings for some memento of the service. The sight of an old familiar face, the sound of a voice, the delving into the archives of memory for an incident or story—then like a moving picture "flashback," you review a panorama of "The Great Adventure," wonderful to contemplate, but more wonderful to realize.

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The other is just plain Alibis! Alibis! Alibis! You belong to some other Vets' Organization—you can't afford it—you never got a square deal in the service—you didn't like your officers—you should have come out a corporal, a captain or a colonel. (General Brett was reduced to a colonel, but he has room in his heart for you and for the Association.) You can't see what you would get out of it—you will send in your dues and subscription to the magazine tomorrow—you are "too tired"—all alibis, brother, pure and simple alibis—for what a man wants, if he wants it enough, he usually gets.



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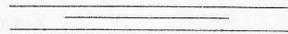
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This letter is addressed to you in order to supply information relative to the forthcoming History of the 80th Division.

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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.

The Eightieth Division Veterans' Association, in fourth annual convention at Norfolk, Va., last year, unanimously decided that the costs of publication and distribution should be defrayed by means of individual subscriptions at the fixed rate of \$5.00 per copy, thereby reserving for the Division the honor and prestige of financing its own History and safeguarding our best ideals and traditions.

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

Our Dead On Flander's Field and Argonne's Slope

(Following is the text of the memorial address delivered in the Harris Theater, Pittsburgh, on Sunday, August 31, 1924, by Lieutenant Frank Schoble, Jr., President of the Eightieth Division Veterans' Association, at the non-denominational service in honor of the Division's dead. The address is a most stirring one, and, coupled with President Schoble's own service and sacrifice, made a profound impression. At this season, when we are strewing flowers upon the graves of our loved ones who lie at rest in the cemeteries in our own country, the memorial address is particularly appropriate.)

ANOTHER year has gone by and once more we gather together in loving memory to those of our comrades who went on the wings of the twilight even as the morning star of victory was rising in the East to herald the dawn of a brighter day.

I wish, today, that I could come to you unnamed and unannounced, merely standing here before you in my uniform as a symbol of what that uniform typifies or, better still, that I could be as invisible to your eyes as you are to mine and that you would simply hear a voice speaking to you—the voice of memory.

A few short years ago we saw the flash of the sword across the sky and felt the thrill of patriotism strike into the very roots of our being. The Spirit of '76 was reborn, the torch of Liberty flared up like a transcending star to the encouragement of our allies overseas who had been holding the line against the foe.

Answer Call Again

The Liberty Bell once more rang out its stirring call to patriotism and in his heart, every true American heard the call. We saw our young men close their offices, leave the factories, the farms and the classrooms to lay the foundation of a new kind of an army in the training camps. A short time later we saw these same young men training their fellow-countrymen in the cantonments and felt the spirit of militant patriotism take possession of the army of the nation.

In a few short months we saw these same young men carried overseas and fighting in the trenches and the open field and, to the wonder of the world, turning defeat, or a doubtful issue, into overwhelming victory.

Then we saw a new kind of peace come to America—peace without triumph over a fallen foe, without the exaltation of the victor over the vanquished.

After achieving the right, there was no self-glorification, no boastful pride in our strength. Instead, there was a deeper inward stirring as we were thankfully conscious of the possession of that spirit which made the victory possible.

America gives—of her wealth, of her

that was the spirit of America in victory. And, if the war heroism and sacrifice are not to have been in vain and, if the victory is not to be unavailing, that must also be the spirit of America in peace.

Today we are gathered together in loving memory of those in whom that spirit burned so brightly that, from on high, we can still see its glory in their faces and feel its warmth in our lives. By our presence here, by the words which we utter, by the reverences of our thoughts, we are attempting, in small measure, to honor those whose deeds and lives are the glory of the nation.

But words are empty and futile things when we attempt to express our deepest emotion. What can we say of those who poured out their lives in pure unselfishness in order that we might enjoy the blessings of peace? What can we say to those whose hearts have been torn by the sacrifice of those who died to make men free, as we stand by their side, silent but with understanding in our hearts in the presence of Him who died to make men holy?

Have Seen Glorious Vision

But if words are unavailing, can we not speak to them with our lives? As we turn our eyes upward to those transfigured, can we not let the light of their spirits be reflected in ours so that they can see it there and know that the ideals and principles for which they fought so nobly will still be striven for as faithfully and loyally as they would have striven

had the great God of Battles not deemed them worthy to be called to a place by His side.

My comrades, we have seen a glorious vision in the sky. Banded together as soldiers of our country, bound by the strongest ties by which man can be



LIEUT. FRANK SCHOBLE, JR.
President, Eightieth Division Veterans' Association

resources, of her strength, of the blood of her heroes, of the torn hearts of her sufferers. America gives—and asks nothing in return. Her fathers and mothers, her sons and daughters give everything upon the altar of their country, only regretting that they have not more to give.

That was the spirit of America in war;

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They Are Coming to the Front

By D. Frank Graham
318th Infantry



FOLLOWING DEMOBILIZATION of America's vast war forces unemployment prevailed everywhere and the future of ex-service men was uncertain and became a national question of some moment. But

America soon assimilated them, as is her way. Those who were wounded or otherwise incapacitated were given first consideration by our government and relief was soon forthcoming. Transportation home of the bodies of those of the dead whose families applied for their return, was soon completed. Then the government set about placing its house in order in its agency for caring for the general needs of the returned soldier.

What has been amazing to most of our people since the war was the uniform success of our veterans who served abroad, in making themselves heard and recognized on almost every question before the public. Those who served the colors are to be found leaders in industry, agriculture, politics, the arts, and nearly every form of human activity everywhere.

If the veterans in the United States Congress and the State Legislatures would one day wear their uniforms they would present the appearance of those early Camp Lee companies before they received quite enough uniforms to go around. The representation of the uniform also reaches into the United States Senate. The bravest of these must be Senator Goff, of West Virginia, who served overseas. Have just read that he returned from the Oahu maneuvers on the U. S. S. Maui. 318th Infantrymen will agree that anyone selecting that craft for a home passage must be brave or ignorant of the facts. On the Maui I lost promptly to the fishes each and every meal.

Referring to the perpendicular rise of vets to high position and power in the nation, may I say something of West Virginia's part in the game. Both of her United States Senators, although of opposite politics, are veterans of recent wars. Governor E. F. Morgan, just retired, is a veteran. So is the State Auditor and the Superintendent of Schools. And on through the Legislature and the appointive offices the veteran is conspicuous. It is logical to assume that the people of the nation are no longer calling their ex-warriors, if they ever did, to high positions of responsibility merely as a reward or tribute for their valor. The reasons for their singular success are many and varied, but some more potent ones can

be advanced for those who saw foreign service. Were they not removed from the homeland some four thousand miles for a sufficient period to allow their vision to broaden, and where they could, during the long winter months following their physical battles, consider the battles of peace far from a prejudicial environment?

Furthermore, were not all the time-honored stock debates definitely settled over there around the camp fires? Once I remember the subject of foreign trade became to the headquarters attaches a very serious one, but Zander, of Wisconsin, was dispatched to Lyon as an unoffi-

I know some will claim that the French are a nation of wine drinkers and America is not—not long ago one of our officials suggested that fact to me. Some time later a "rare old wine" was placed on the local market at drug stores and it was highly touted to cure "that run-down condition." Said wine tested out about thirty per cent alcohol and sufficient amount thereof would alleviate any and all pain. Soon as the word got around, at these oases the line formed at the front door and passed out at the side. Since it was perfectly legal to do so, nearly everybody developed spring fever and a run-down condition. I saw Mr. Official one day going home with a suspicious package covered with paper of the tell-tale color which he explained was "a little tonic."

Some years ago Congress told the boys there would be no adjusted compensation. Thereafter they sent a majority, and to the following Congress a two-thirds majority in favor of this issue and its passage became inevitable and the law is now in effect.

Now who are really patriots? Can we not define the true patriot as the one whose breast swells with pride at sight of the colors and the sound of the anthem, who has been taught the meaning of those things in military service, and who thrills from pride of his nationality, and from the knowledge of the superiority of his homeland gained in foreign service?

If the foreign legion in office have been loyal and devoted toward the successful advancement of the interests of their comrades, cannot they also be depended upon for loyalty to the interests of their country and State and to the platform and principles for the advancement of which voters send them to office? Have not these ex-soldiers in Congress presented examples of undying loyalty to their comrades and to principle? They themselves needed not financial relief or other help or consideration, however they now stand experienced, tried and true in the final analysis of their stewardship as to devotion to principle and loyalty to comrades.

They are coming to the front. The boys who "fit" during the late unpleasantness are everywhere demanding their rightful place in the life of the nation. Moss-backs and Doubting Thomases will kindly slide over and make way for the forward march of the confident, courageous, upstanding and determined ex-soldier, whose disposition is flavored with the milk of human kindness from a long association and almost single-handed contact with their wounded comrades. And more power to 'em, says I.

Out of the Night

By WM. C. VANDEWATER

How my heart sighs for release from
its aching.

(Tremble nor fear ye, relief is
not far.)

How my soul rocks with its pain
and its quaking.

(Seek ye out solitude, which sor-
rows bar.)

How my head bows from a spirit
near breaking.

(Loose not thy passions nor vain
anger hurl.)

Out of the black of night cometh
a star.

Down in the Ocean's depth shines
forth a pearl.

cial observer at the great industrial exposition, and the matter was settled shortly after he reported back to the round table.

More seriously, did not some two million-odd American of the A. E. F. return home with the knowledge that moderate use of wines and beer was a huge success in France among the people, only to find their own country embarking upon the great experiment of absolute prohibition. If our people would have only stayed the hand of the prohibitor until the A. E. F. could get going at home, the present situation would be an entirely different one. Suppose those boys who witnessed the French using wine as a daily beverage and as food at each meal, and beer as a light beverage; drunkenness being a rare exception and not the rule; just suppose they could have had the representation in Congress they now have and had an opportunity to write the prohibition act—America would now have the liquor question permanently settled.

The Eightieth's Final Objective

THE appeal for 80th Division History material contained in the March-April issue of "Service" has been followed by a splendid response, and a number of important records and contributions of value have been received. Included among this matter are narratives of the 305th Military Police and the Division Medical Supply Unit, a complete file of the 80th Division Bulletin for the Camp Lee period, and various orders and documents pertaining to the 317th and 319th Infantry. Arrangements have also been made for accounts of the 313th Machine Gun Battalion, the 305th Trench Mortar Battery, and the 319th Ambulance Company. Only the 305th Field Signal Battalion, 305th Train Headquarters, 305th Mobile Ordnance Repair Shop, Headquarters Troop and several of the Ambulance and Hospital Companies remain unprovided for, and it is urged that members of these organizations possessing data of importance pertaining to their organizations extend the Division History Committee the loan of such material. A list of acknowledgments covering the period since August, 1924, will be published in an early issue.

An illustration of the extent to which the History Committee is dependent upon private sources for data is afforded by the following extract from a recent letter received from the Chief Clerk, Historical Section, Army War College:

"I think that someone must have locked up the records of your Division in a cellar, thrown the key away, and then drowned his memory in pre-Volstead. I know from my conversation with the Organization Record Section clerks of the A. G. O. that they have tried their best to find stuff for you and I have not been exactly asleep either, but, as I have said, they have apparently disappeared from the face of the globe."

It will be observed from the above that access must be had to material other than that contained in the official files, if a narrative representative of all elements of the Division is to be achieved. While a large volume of matter has been assembled during the past three years, numerous records and documents of importance remain missing. Doubtless, much valuable data is possessed by private individuals, and we ask that every reader go through his papers of the war period and supply us with copies of anything and everything of obvious interest or value pertaining to the 80th Division. Do it now—next year will be too late. Every precaution will be taken to insure the safeguarding and return of all material loaned.

Can any member of the Division furnish us with information concerning the contingent of 80th Division officers who accompanied General Haller's expedition-

ary force to Poland in the spring of 1919?

Lack of space compelled the omission of various tables and summaries referred to as accompanying the History article in the March-April number of "Service," and some of this matter will be found in the present number.

It is essential that all outstanding data be in the hands of the History Committee prior to the Clarksburg reunion. Will you not aid in the accomplishment of a laborious undertaking and the Division's last great objective by forwarding such records as you may possess today? You will be proud in the years to come that you contributed toward the perpetuation of your Division's achievements.



SERGT. RUSSELL L. STULTZ
Division Historian

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General Pershing Reviews the Division

Extract from Chapter XLII---"From Combat Troops to S. O. S." HISTORY OF THE EIGHTIETH DIVISION



THE LAST DAYS of the Division's stay in the 15th Training Area were featured by an event that formed an impressive climax to its career as a combat unit of the American Expeditionary Forces

—the farewell review and inspection of the command by General Pershing, the Commander-in-Chief. This ceremony took place March 28, in pursuance with the policy of General Pershing to formally visit all divisions under his command prior to their return to America.

The first intimation of his impending inspection of troops in the area was had February 13, when the Division Bulletin of that date quoted the following telegram from Headquarters First Army:

"It is very probable that the C. in C. will visit and inspect during the latter part of this week and the first part of next week all the corps and divisions in this army. The Army Commander desires that special steps be taken to prepare troops, billets and areas for this visit. Decorations will be awarded at this time."

The Bulletin added:

"The exact date of the inspection of this Division by the Commander-in-Chief, mentioned in the above telegram, is not yet known, and he will probably arrive in this area with little, if any, warning. All units will at once place and maintain their commands and stations in a condition which will be a credit to themselves and the Division of which they form a part."

General Pershing's inspection trip did not eventuate as early as originally indicated, and it was not until March 12 that Division Headquarters published a telegram from General Headquarters, A. E. F., announcing that the "Commander-in-Chief desires that presentation of all medals be held up until he reviews and inspects your Division. He expects to be able to review the 80th Division about March 25th."

For days thereafter, all elements worked at high pressure to give the finishing touches to uniforms, equipment, animals and transport; both officers and men were well aware that the showing before the Commander-in-Chief might influence the Division's sailing date. An instance of the thoroughness of these preparations is contained in an order issued March 24 by the Division Com-

By Russell L. Stultz
Division Historian

mander, to the effect that "Regimental and separate unit commanders will make every effort to have the overcoats of the soldiers in their command cleaned and pressed before the review by the C-in-C. to be held Wednesday, the 26th."

Some difficulty was experienced in locating a field sufficiently adequate and conveniently situated for the concentration of the 25,000 troops comprising the Division and billeted over an area embracing 500 square miles. A large open space surmounting a hill between Ancyle-Libre, Gland and Pimelles, was finally chosen as the most suitable site.

Field service uniforms, including overcoats and helmets, were authorized for the occasion, and the infantry units were directed to carry field equipment of rifles, cartridge belts and scabbards, with bayonets at the "fixed" position. All organizations were ordered to be assembled at the point of review by 9:00 A. M., March 26, and the hour of review was scheduled one hour later.

Beginning early on the morning of March 26, the Division began moving from its areas to the point of assembly, where the first troops arrived shortly after dawn. Due to their distance from the scene of the inspection, a part of the command had to be transported by truck, and a train of 266 trucks was employed in carrying detachments of the 317th, 318th, 319th and 320th Infantry Regiments, the 315th Field Artillery and 305th Engineers. All other troops proceeded by march. Rain had fallen throughout the previous night and the heavy condition of the roads delayed the concentration. However, the downpour ceased during the morning and the sun broke through the clouds, shining brightly by the time the ceremonies attending the review began. The mud under foot had in the meantime wrought havoc with carefully policed uniforms and equipment, and the encrusted state of puttees was corrected in many instances by the simple expedient of turning them inside out, the men wrapping the mud against their legs. The hurried cleaning entailed by the unfavorable weather is described thus by the historian of Company K, 317th Infantry, whose battalion did not arrive on the field until after the Division had been drawn up in formation:

"As soon as the company had taken its place, they fell out and cleaned up as much as possible. Every squad had carried a box of shoe-blackening and

clothes brush and after a few moments spent in brushing, the company was as spick and span as if they had just stepped out of their billets. In fact, the splendid appearance the company made brought a compliment from the Commander-in-Chief when he made his personal inspection."

General Pershing and staff, accompanied by high officers of the First Army and First Army Corps, and Congressman Julius Kahn (since deceased), who at that time was chairman of the House Committee on Military Affairs, arrived on the field shortly before 11:00 o'clock and the entire Division stood at "present arms" to receive the Commander of the American forces in Europe. As the presentation was made, the bugle corps of the 319th Infantry sounded four "flourishes" and the General's March was played by the massed bands of the Division.

Inspection of the troops immediately followed, the Commander-in-Chief and the Division Commander first riding around the command on horseback. The Division had been formed for the occasion in a compact line of battalions, in column of platoons, the men in each platoon being arranged according to height with the tallest on the right of the platoon. Ranks were opened and the front ranks executed "about face" to permit inspection of both ranks at the same time. General Pershing, attended by each company's commander, walked through every platoon and spent more than two hours in personally inspecting and conversing with the men. Each battalion was brought to "attention" as the Commander-in-Chief approached.

All men in the Division had been supplied with the divisional insignia and whatever wound and service chevrons they were credited with, and hundreds—many of whom had but recently returned to their organizations from hospitals—wore upon their sleeves stripes indicative of wounds received in action. Frequently soldiers were observed wearing two wound chevrons, and occasionally more, while in several squads almost their total strength bore marks of wounds. As General Pershing passed down the ranks he paused to question the men concerning their injuries. "In what action did you get that?" he would ask, pointing to the man's wound stripe, adding, when the reply came, "Be proud of it, as we all are." A number of the officers and men wore decorations previously awarded them, and these were the objects of particular inquiry. The

impression the Commander-in-Chief left upon the members of the Division at this time is pictured by the historian of the 315th Field Artillery, as follows:

"Every man who saw was convinced of his strong personality. His wiry frame, military figure and strong jaw all spoke of power and endurance. His agility, rapidity and decision of movement were a marked characteristic."

Upon completion of the inspection the officers and men to whom the Distinguished Service Medal and the Distinguished Service Cross had lately been awarded were assembled in front of the center of the Division, with the massed colors in their rear, and the impressive ceremony of presentation followed. General Pershing personally pinned the decorations upon each individual and extended his congratulations. Brigadier General Lloyd M. Brett, of the 160th Infantry Brigade, and Colonel Charles Keller, of the 317th Infantry, received the Distinguished Service Medal, while Distinguished Service Crosses were conferred upon the following:

1st Lieutenant Hugh C. Parker, 320th Infantry; 1st Sergeant Alexander MacWilliams, 313th Machine Gun Battalion; 1st Sergeant Raymond V. Meelon, Company F, 319th Infantry; Sergeant William T. Johnson, Company A, 318th Infantry; Corporal Vivian S. Lawrence, Ambulance Company No. 319, 305th Sanitary Train; Corporal George W. McFarland, Company D, 320th Infantry; Corporal John Pamaranski, Company B, 320th Infantry; Private 1cl. Samuel Hill, Company E, 320th Infantry; Private George J. Fries, Jr., Medical Detachment, 319th Infantry; and Private Clements R. Pulono, Company C, 319th Infantry.

Probably the most striking incident of the day ensued when the regimental standards were decorated by the Commander-in-Chief with streamers commemorative of their periods of combat service in Picardy and the Meuse-Argonne operations. These ribbons were replaced later by silver bands bearing the record of each organization's service.

General Pershing and his party then entered the reviewing stand and the entire division, headed by the Division Commander and the massed bands and colors, passed in review for the first time as a unit since its arrival in France. It would, indeed, be difficult to imagine a more martial scene than that presented as the 25,000 members of the Division, with set faces beneath a sea of glistening helmets and bayonets, swept past their Commander-in-Chief in the crowning event of their military career. As the combined bands played a stirring march, wave after wave of men representative of the Infantry, Artillery, Engineers, Machine Gun Battalions, Signal Corps and Trains, marched by in rapid step and splendid alignment, acquitting themselves in a manner that won generous commendation from the leader of the American armies. Just one year had elapsed since the Division's final review by its Commanding General at Camp Lee preparatory to entering upon active service, but the interval had witnessed the transition of the men from youthful soldiers to seasoned, victorious veterans of world-renowned engagements.

At the conclusion of the review, all officers and noncommissioned officers were assembled about the reviewing stand, where General Pershing made a brief address. Praising the manner in which the Division had conducted itself in battle,

he conveyed the thanks of the American Expeditionary Forces and the nation, as well as his own, to the troops for the important services they had rendered in helping to bring about the successful termination of the war and stressed the fact that each man, no matter how humble his role, shared in the accomplishment.

After taking luncheon with the Division Commander at the Chateau of Ancyle-Franc, the Commander-in-Chief and his staff left for Semur to review the 78th Division.

The Division Commander, in a bulletin issued on the following day, conveyed his congratulations to the command, the language of which may well be quoted:

"The Division Commander desires to express to the Division his great satisfaction, gratification and pride in the appearance and performance of the Division at the review of the Commander-in-Chief. From the beginning of the concentration, through the inspection, the ceremonies, the review, to the return to billets, the work was that of seasoned soldiers and measured up to the highest standards of military efficiency.

"The Commander-in-Chief was enthusiastic in his repeated expressions of praise and approval, reverting often, in the progress of his inspection, to the 'splendid body of men' and the 'fine division.'

"Every one of us has the justification for a new pride in the Division as a reward for his efforts. Let us jealously guard and maintain this high reputation so that it may be a proud distinction to say 'I belong to the Blue Ridge Division.'"

Fourth Annual Reunion of Company F, 305th Ammunition Train

By *Lean A. Gainster*

IT WAS a bright summer's day in June, 1925, the 20th day to be exact, when automobiles and other known means of transportation, from trains to shanks' ponies, were utilized by members of Company F to bring them into Sharon, Mercer County, Pa., to attend and spend the day in the company of old comrades, many of whom hadn't seen nor heard from each other since June, 1919, at Camp Dix, N. J., when they were demobilized.

The Shenango Hotel, through the courtesy of the proprietor, Thomas Boyle, was post command for the day, and as usual, Percy B. Chamberlain, of Everett, Pa., took all honors for out-of-town guests by arriving the night before. That's Percy for you, even at the big Division reunions he is among the first

on the job and he never leaves till the last dog is hung.

The early hours of the day were spent in greetings and talking over old times together, while our Sergeant Jawn Gustafson made all final arrangements for "la manger ce soir."

Two o'clock in the afternoon found a good size crowd of the boys on hand, so to get away from the burning sun's rays, the loaded in the autos of other members and took to the coolness and shaded spots in Buhl Park and continued to make more cows widows, by shooting the bull.

Before I get any further I think I had better relate an incident that happened about 1 P. M. that eventful afternoon

that only a few had the opportunity to get in on. The incident: Several of the fellows were sitting on the hotel porch chewing the rag, when suddenly the strains of a band were on the balmy air and down the street marched a band, one of the guys spoke up and said, "Good night shirt, what does Gus do but go and hire a band to make this turn-out a real thing; leave it to old Gus." But he happened to be mistaken; the band was only a coincident, as it was leading a parade for an Italian society that were also celebrating on that day.

The afternoon at the park was spent under the trees telling and reminding one another of memories, and incidents, also putting the barb to Mr. O. C. Whitaker and C. C. Agate, who had in turn commanded this outfit, to refresh

their memories on numerous things that had occurred while in the service of Uncle Sam. Messrs. Whitaker and Agate enjoyed the reminiscences just as much as the rest of the boys, even when they were hit hard they always laughed the heartiest. They knew that the Army days were past and this was a gathering of men all friendly to one another, and whatever was said would not be with an intent to hurt one's feelings.

A Mr. Perotta, who hailed from Greenville, Pa., and was a member of Company G, 305th Ammunition Train, drove down to say hello to Mr. Whitaker, and being among those gathered at the park he related an occurrence that befell him at a review held at Camp Lee, Va., while he was acting as mounted orderly for Mr. Whitaker, then Major in Command of the Horse Battalion, 305th Ammunition Train. As the story runs, Perotta was riding a rather spirited horse, and as he was an expert horseman on a merry-go-round, he was having his hands full, when suddenly the command "forward" was given and the dismounted troops near by brought their guns to their shoulders. That was too much for his horse, and away he went with a loud voice following him quite plainly on the clear air, "Where the hell are you going? Get that blankety blank horse back where you belong."

Mr. Agate was next with a story, this being on himself, and he blamed Whitaker for it. At the field meet held by the Horse Battalion at Langon, France, on July 4, 1918, the ball game in the afternoon between the Horse and Motor Battalions was largely attended by officers of the regiment and their Frog friends. It seems that Mr. Whitaker had invited a young lady to attend the fray, and she brought along her grandmere whom O. C. wished upon Agate to entertain and explain the game in his leisure moments. According to Agate's own words he sure did enjoy the afternoon trying to make up French phrases to cover baseball terms, and answer the old lady's foolish questions.

The motion was passed to return to the hotel, and get ready for the feed and at the same time to get the latest reports from Wm. B. McFall, Jr., who, when last heard from was enjoying the company of one of Sharon's harness bulls, because he had turned his gas wagon around on the main street.

When the hotel was reached we found Minatree and also found that McFall was none the worse for his encounter, physically or pocket book way, so at a command from Sergeant Jawn we all sauntered up the spacious steps at the Buhl Club and got mugged in a group.

As the hour was getting late and our tummies were playing tag with our backbones—Army fashion—we next lined up, and we did line up, too, and took our place at the banquet table and got our mouths all set.

It sure was a hungry looking bunch. Geo. (Jenny B.) Moore said the grace and did a good job. Then the gang got into action. Little was said, for they were all busy feeding their faces with the exception of Minatree and Bacon, who for some reason or other consumed cigarette after cigarette between courses.

After the "cafe au lait" had followed the rest of the meal and the air began to get blue from tobacco smoke, Wm. B. McFall, Jr., 1st Lieutenant with the company, then Captain with Division Headquarters, took the floor as toastmaster for the evening.

His opening remark was that on most Army gatherings the officers present were the first ones to be called upon for speeches, but he was going to try something different and more enjoyable by calling upon each and every member present to stand up, tell his name, his Army nickname, and then have his say.

The honor to take the floor first befell Patrick J. McCann, the only medal man in the entire outfit. The applause was deafening and the cry was, "Tell us, Pat,

Guinevere

By FAITH BALDWIN

So cold the convent walls, so still,
The cloistered pile of grey
That June herself must fear this
place
And tiptoe, hushed, away.

And yet the wind is in the vines,
And there are daring throats,
That shake, from distant, budded
boughs,
A fountain of clear notes.

It must be green at Camelot,
The banners of the trees
Must fly enchanting messages,
At jousting with the breeze.

It must be sweet at Camelot—
But—he is far to seek
This June—of whom I dare not think,
Whose name I must not speak.

how you got the medal." Pat renigged, saying that he was a steel worker by trade, not a speech maker.

Then in turn down one side of a table and up the other, keeping those present in an uproar at the humorous remarks. Oscar Allen said that his dad always taught him that boys were to be seen and not heard, and that he had three of them at home, and he named the latest addition ENDO.

Milton Hope said he was called Hope-well; Bob. McBurney had Big Be-Harry for a moniker; Fred Miller had Pap and he sure has a lot of gray hair on his dome; Ed. Morton wished he could give Minatree another ride on a motorcycle; Tom Simpson, the cook shocked the gang

by owning up that he was one of the belly robbers; Frank Shaffer said that they called him Squirrel, but he didn't like nuts one bit better than the most of them; Earl Barber didn't have much to say except that he could shine boots better than Swartsbec who claimed he was another of the dog-robbers; Carl Schaller, the good-natured horseshoer, went over big with his "What I mean Gus;" then came A. J. Taylor with his "Spot"; Samuel Tyers was next in line, but as his Chief Mechanic was not present, he had nothing to say; Frank Klaser, better known as Jake, followed by John Exposito, or Black Jack; John Bacon, Baldy, but he has lots of hair now; Geo. J. Frank, the Dago; George B. Moore, the Company Clerk, our Jenny; and last but not least, John Wills as he stated he guessed he was best known as "Get In Step, Wills."

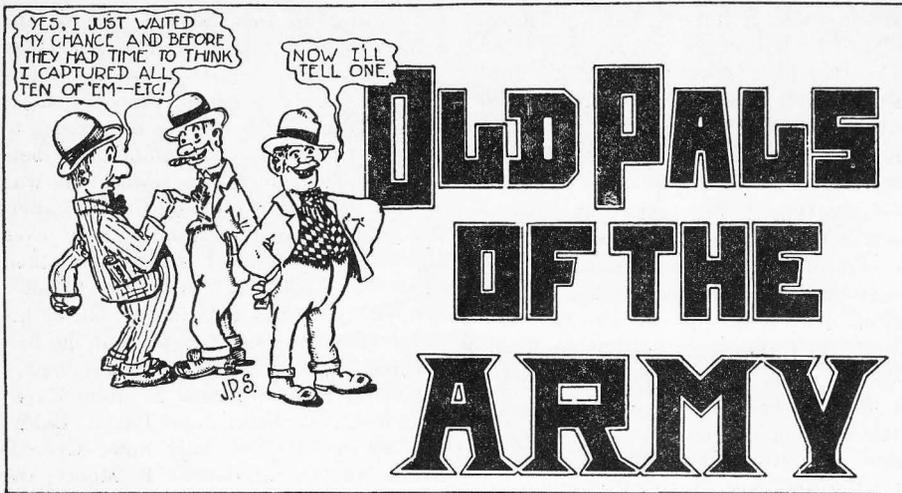
The toastmaster then called upon Messrs. C. C. Agate, G. McP. Minatree and O. C. Whitaker, officers, respectively, with the organization for remarks. Each speaker in his turn receiving a loud applause from the rank and file, and each one lauding the merits of the company to the skies, which was, as they claimed, made possible only by the co-operation of the non-commissioned officers and men in the company.

Baldy Bacon led the gathering in song, the old company song, "Keep those caissons a-rolling along," being the most appropriate for the occasion.

Next in line came the business meeting and the election of a new Chairman was first, but it fell through for the simple reason John Gustafson did not want to succeed himself, so after offering it to McFall, who politely refused because he said that he felt that an officer should serve in that capacity only when an enlisted man was unable to be selected. James J. Wallace, ex-Sergeant, R. D. 3, Volant, Pa., was then nominated and elected for the coming year. Chairman Wallace designating as his aids Treasurer John Bacon, Farrell, Pa.; Publicity, Fred C. Miller, Sharpsville, Pa.; Advisory, John Gustafson, Jr., Wilkensburg, Pa.; Committee, A. J. Taylor, Stoneboro, Pa.; F. R. Saternow, Sharon, Pa.; Percy B. Chamberlain, Everett, Pa.

Thus the banquet came to a close, and through the thoughtfulness of Baldy Bacon and Dago Frank, who are members of the Slovak Educational Club, of Farrell, Pa., those that so desired could join the party that were leaving in autos to the club rooms.

Only meager details are to be had as to what went on at the club, but after scanning all newspapers to see if there was any deaths listed or visitors registered at the Farrell booby hatch over Sunday, and finding none, I come to the conclusion that the members of Company F, 305th Ammunition Train, are just as good citizens as they were soldiers in Woodrow Wilson's selected Army.



IN REMINISCENT MOOD

Ethel, Virginia.

Dear Comrades:

I have been setting here tonight reading my Service Magazine and thinking over the good old days when we were all together. I am an old bachelor now and live alone with no one but a cat for company, and he is very much like our Frog friends of the old days—I have to talk to him by signs or rather understand him by them. I have just read the piece about the 80th returning to France at some future date. Oh, how I would love to take that trip with the old outfit. It would be the greatest pleasure I could imagine. I often think if I could just get in the old D Company ranks again and have a good hike behind our old 318th band how I would enjoy it—my, but those boys could play. I remember one day in the latter part of April in 1918 the first battalion was ordered out for a hike to Prince George Court House and to make a detour through the swamps and come in next to Hopewell. The second battalion was to parade that A. M. We left after morning mess with full equipment and made the trip by about 10:30—that is, we got back to the entrenchments next to Hopewell. We were all straggling, for it was very warm, but as we were going up the hill we caught the sound of the drum. No command was given, but the line at once closed up and straightened out, and when we got to the top of the hill we were in perfect order. As soon as the band saw us they struck up "Dixie" and we forgot our tired feeling and heavy packs and we just seemed to float across that mile of parade ground as if it had not been there. I am one of the few who used to be glad when the battalion was going to parade, for I loved to follow the band. I don't recall anything but pleasant memories of the old days, anyway. It is strange how we soon forget the little unpleasant events, but the pleasant ones live forever. I can recall pleasant times everywhere we went. I had some very good times at nearly all the places we were quartered, and not one but what

left pleasant recollections behind, even the long hike back to Assineres after the Armistice, or rather to Ver-Bonett, where we stayed awhile, I remember we were quartered in a priest's barn and the priest gave us straw for bedding and treated us very kindly. After we moved to Assineres we used to go over to capture the town in a sham charge about every two weeks. I think that was Major Sweeney's pet hobby. I wonder if any of the boys remember the bath house down over the hillside and the times we used to have on bathing days while our clothes were going through the decootizer. I remember one day we had been chased out by the sergeant to make room for another bunch, there was snow on the ground, but fortunately the sun was shining that day and we were lined up under the edge of the hill. Allie Helficed, of our company, who could always think of something to make some one laugh, called to me and asked me what I thought his Ma and Pa would say if they could see him now. Speaking of Allie reminds me of another little incident. When we made our last charge the day before the Armistice, I think it was, we left Allie and Fred Sluss behind in a little hole sick with the FFlu. It made me feel very bad to leave Allie, for he was from my home town and one of my best chums, but war is war, so we left him. The Captain said he would be picked up within the next few hours, so that was all we could do. After the Armistice we went back and rested in the old dug-outs used by the French in the first part of the war; we were assigned seven men to a dug-out, but one of the boys said let's reserve a place or room for Bellefield. So we spread out our things to take up all the room we could and we were allotted six to us. I got hold of a big piece of bacon and about a pound of coffee and laid it aside. We had an improvised fireplace in one corner. The second evening after we went into camp I heard a great cheering, and found the two lost boys had returned. We at once took Allie to our dugout and made him at home, then we all got together and planned his cele-

bration. I had an extra mess-kit I used for a frying pan, so I was elected cook; one of the boys walked about a mile to the spring and got the water for coffee; it held about six quarts, so I emptied in my coffee and a mess-kit cup of sugar and hung it over the fire. We had made a raid on the company kitchen and about cleaned them out. One boy got sugar, another bacon, someone else the jam and butter, milk, and a supply of candles, and I picked over the pile and got the nicest loaf of fresh bread I could find. I remember it was a pale brown, not burnt like most of it. When we had all the supplies together I started the cooking. We had a nice side of a tomato case for a serving tray and I fried a slice of bacon around and a few extras, then I sliced the bread and fried it in the hot grease and sprinkled sugar on it. Just as we had things about set someone called and in walked Sergeant Shreeves and another boy to see Allie. We, of course, had enough for them, too, and they seemed to enjoy the meal very much. When they were ready to leave Sergeant Shreeves said, "well, boys, when you raid the kitchen again just let me know and I will call on you again." Oh! there are so many good times, it gives one great pleasure just to refer back to them. By the way, whatever became of "Jerry," the German donkey that Headquarters Company had? He was a pretty thing after they got him cleaned up. I remember in the spring he won the blue ribbon at the regimental horse show at Cull. How well I remember the good eggs and fried potatoes we used to get at Germain's. She lived on the hill where B Company and one of the B company boys told me about her. After I found that place I bid goodby to the company mess for supper unless there was something extra on the list. My, but they could sure fix up a meal. I just wish I could walk in there these days instead of cooking my own. Well, if I don't stop I will never finish, as there are so many memories come before me. So I will bid you goodby, my comrades, with best wishes and cheers for the outfit, I remain,

Yours truly

JULIAN P. SHORT,
Ex. Pvt. Co. D, 318th Inf.

The End of a Perfect Day

BY LEAN A. GAINSTER

It was one of those rare beautiful days in the latter part of January, 1918, the twenty-second to be exact, in the quiet city of Cosne (Cohen) France.

The Assistant Provost Marshal of that district, a young second lieutenant of Infantry from the sunny climes of Florida,

was resting his weary bones after a late breakfast, feet propped upon the table, sans spurs, in his office on the Rue de la Gare.

The other occupant of the small but comfortable room that answered the requirements of an office was the sergeant of the detail, a Field Artillery product of the Honorable Woodrow Wilson's Army, by invitation only, hailing from Penn's Woodland.

The subject of conversation naturally turned to women and the deadness of the burg. After consuming several cigarettes apiece and getting on the outside of some Chocolat Menier, the lieutenant proposed a trip by motorcycle solo to the small town of San Cerre, about fifteen kilometers away.

Arrangements were soon made, and with the lieutenant in the saddle and the sergeant on an improvised seat on the rear mud guard they got under way at noon.

The air was filled with sweetness and was quite invigorating, making the trip, so far, rather successful with the exception of the jarring of the sergeant for the lack of springs, until the road at the foot of the hill, leading to the town, was reached and then old man opportunity sent his daughter, Miss Fortune, to greet the motorists, for with a series of spasmodic gasps and a groan or two the motor came to a complete rest.

Naturally they decided that there was something radically wrong. They dismount. The sergeant gladly, the lieutenant wonderingly, for his knowledge of machinery, especially motorcycles, was double minus.

They gave it the once over and upon looking into the gas tank found that the essence, as the Frogs call it, was fini.

As long as this was the cause the remedy was simple, for they still had what was called a reserve tank, all that was necessary to get under way again was to turn on this tank and crank the old girl up.

It was done in less time than it takes to tell, but with no success, it wouldn't bulge. They cranked until they were blue in the face and still no encouraging cough or sputter from the engine.

Minutes had changed to hours and the sun was ready to make her dip over the distant horizon.

They made up their minds that to hoof it was their only salvation, so they parked friend cycle at the side of the road and headed for the town.

Upon arriving at their destination, which was the billet of the other detail, they found supper in progress. They sat in and satisfied a rather healthy appetite. After the meal was over a little time was spent in a chat and arrangements were made to take care of the machine, the lieutenant and the sergeant left for home by the way of the railroad.

Nine thirty found them once more in Cosne leisurely strolling up the street from the station headed for the office.

In the first block from the station, the lieutenant walking on the right, they came upon a mademoiselle walking in the same direction.

The lieutenant and the sergeant at once began to kid the fair one and she seemed to enjoy it, there being no reason to the contrary for they were both good talkers and very good to look at.

The conversation was kept up by all three as they continued up the street, when all of a sudden, to the utter dismay of the sergeant, the mademoiselle placed her hand on his right sleeve and upon feeling his chevrons, said: "Ru revoir, Monsieur Sergeant, je promenade avec le lieutenant."

From a Street Car Window

By C. E. GRUNDISH

Soldier Boy,
They've hauled you
From the battle front
And stuck you up
At the forks of the road.
But the sculptor was kind.
He chisled you a nose
That can't smell the gutter smells
On a summer night;
Eyes that can't see
The wan, sad-eyed children
Playing in your shadows;
Ears that can't hear
The shrieks of newsboys
That would tell you things
To make you sad.

And God was kind,
Soldier Boy—
For you have no
Grocery bills in your pockets;
No kids at home
Needing shoes;
Heat, water and fresh air
Cost you nothing . . .
And you don't know
The gnawing hunger
Of a soul
Watching a million men
Strive for a dream
They cannot attain.

Our Dead on Flander's Field and Argonne's Slope

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bound, we consecrated ourselves to the fulfillment of that vision. We fought for its fulfillment; we bled and suffered for its fulfillment.

If the call came, we held ourselves

ready to die that it might not fail of accomplishment. And God, with infinite understanding, took some of us at our word. If we are to consider ourselves worthy of association with those comrades who have gone on before, if, in our inner consciousness, we are to remain true to our better selves, we who remain must live for the fulfillment of that vision.

I have before my eyes now a vision of the past, of the war, of one of those battles in which many of our comrades were called to give up their blessed lives. It is evening on a shell-torn, battle-littered, blood-stained hillside in the Argonne, the hillside on which I saw the light of day for the last time.

But, when the shell-burst deprived me of all earthly sight, I could look to the right and left, to the front and rear, and see line upon line of khaki-clad figures, with their bayonets fixed, their eyes to the front.

There you were, my comrades, going forward in that steady, relentless advance that was, that night, to drive the enemy from his strong position, later, from the Argonne altogether and to bring the war to a victorious conclusion.

So, praise God, I can always see you, always going forward. The Eightieth Division always moves forward. The whole spirit of our division, the whole spirit of the American soldier, is in that sight which will always remain as a glorious inspiration throughout the years. It is a vision of an advance that is never satisfied, is never weary, never rests, but always strives toward the attainment of that big objective which is the background of all of our service and sacrifice.

Sees Them as Soldiers

Today I cannot help thinking that there is some compensation to that fact that I cannot see you. For, as I visualize this assembly, I can picture those of you who are my comrades not as civilians, but as soldiers, still wearing the uniform in spirit as you wore it when the earth shook under the tramp of the armies of the world.

And they in whose loving memory we are gathered here today, are standing by our side. The empty ranks are full again and once more the Blue Ridge stands together ready for the call—the living for the call of service, the glorified for our guidance through the blessed inspiration that springs out of memory.

This perpetuation of patriotic endeavor is the real "glory of the coming of the Lord" of which our war poet so beautifully sings. Only through it can we hope to attain to that brighter day when there will be no more need for war sacrifice and when the earth shall smile under the blessings of peace and man shall be the brother of man.

Vets In Uncle Sam's Civil Service

APPROXIMATELY 315,000 claims for preference in appointment to positions in the classified civil service have been allowed by the United States Civil Service Commission under the veteran preference acts of March 3 and July 11, 1919.

Of the 315,000 veterans who entered examinations, about 224,000 qualified and became eligible for appointment, and more than 92,000 actually have received appointment.

These figures do not mean that the Federal civil force has been increased by the appointment of veterans. The fact is that there has been a reduction of more than 360,000 employees since the armistice. But the turnover in a force so large as the Federal civil service requires from 50,000 to 75,000 appointments each year to fill vacancies, notwithstanding the net reductions.

Veteran preference legislation and regulations are based upon the belief that men who served the nation faithfully with the colors are entitled to a certain preference in appointment to positions in the civil service. Our veterans deserve all possible consideration.

A further principle upon which veteran preference regulations are based is that a veteran is entitled to receive appointment in preference to a non-veteran who is equally qualified. The observation has been that the veterans themselves recognize the justice of the requirement of the civil service regulations that they shall demonstrate their ability through examination to hold positions to which they are appointed. It is safe to assume that veterans are at least as strongly interested in the welfare of the Government as any other class of persons. They have risked their lives for the good of the nation and for the maintenance of the Government. They must wish the Government to be conducted in the most efficient manner possible.

The whole civil service system of the United States is based upon the principle of merit. Under the merit system it would be inconsistent if all employees were Republicans or Democrats or Progressives, if all employees were Protestants or Catholics or Jews, if all employees were soldiers or sailors or civilians. The appointees must be drawn from all classes, and the first consideration must be ability to perform the particular work to which appointment is made.

Other things being equal, however, or approximately so, those who have faced the perils and privations of war should be given preference.

An act of Congress of July 11, 1919, provides:

"That hereafter in making appoint-

ments to clerical and other positions in the executive branch of the Government in the District of Columbia or elsewhere, preference shall be given to honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, and marines, and widows of such, and to the wives of injured soldiers, sailors, and marines who themselves are not qualified, but whose wives are qualified to hold such positions."

Preference regulations promulgated by Executive Order under the general provisions of the law allow to the veteran the following advantages:

(a) He is released from all age limitations.

(b) He is released from the law and rules requiring that appointments in the departmental service at Washington be made, so far as practicable, proportionately to the population of the respective States.

(c) He is released from height and weight requirements, except for positions of watchman, guard, policeman, and some other positions of similar nature.

(d) For eligibility a rating of 70 per cent is required of all applicants. Veterans are given 5 points and disabled veterans 10 points in addition to their earned ratings in examinations. The time during which an applicant's occupation was interrupted by service during the World War may be reckoned by the Civil Service Commission in making up required periods of training and experience when such are required, and whenever military training or experience is of definite value in fitting a veteran for the duties to be performed, it shall be considered in rating the examination. This means that the veteran's papers will be rated, giving due regard to his military service, and that he will then have 5 points (or if a disabled veteran, 10 points) added to his earned rating, and his name will be placed on the register with other eligibles in the order of his augmented rating. A non-veteran must earn a rating of 70 per cent, while a veteran who is not disabled must earn a rating of 65 to get on the register. A disabled veteran has only to earn a rating of 60 to get on the register.

(e) An appointing officer who passes over a veteran eligible and selects a non-veteran with the same or a lower rating must place in the records of the department his reasons for so doing.

(f) The Civil Service Commission is permitted to waive in its discretion the physical requirements in the case of a disabled veteran who applies for a civil service examination from which his disability would otherwise bar him.

(g) When reductions are being made in the force in any part of the classified service, no employee entitled to military preference in appointment shall be dis-

charged or dropped or reduced in rank or salary if his record is good.

(h) In making demotions or separations from the service on account of reductions in force, the time spent in military service is given consideration.

There are other preferences, in observance of the spirit of the preference law, such as the reopening to veterans of examinations which have been closed, under certain conditions, preferences in reinstatement, etc.

From March 15, 1923, to June 30, 1924, 1,217 disabled veterans were appointed under the rule allowing the addition of 10 points to the earned ratings.

During the year ended June 30, 1924, 1,929 appointments were made through examination to positions of rural carrier. Ninety-one such appointments were made through examination—were made by reinstatement, and 321 by transfer. Of the total number of appointees, 972 were ex-service men. When the figures for the present fiscal year became available, they doubtless will show that the proportion of veterans was as great.

Positions of postmaster at first, second, and third class offices are not classified under the civil service law. By Executive Order, however, veterans are given a certain preference in appointment to these positions. Between May 10, 1921, and July 1, 1924, the Post Office Department reported 12,528 nominations for appointment as the result of examinations for postmasterships at first, second, and third class offices. Of the total number nominated during this period, 2,164 were ex-service men.

These typical figures indicate in a definite way the practical operation of the veteran preference law and regulations.

CHESTNUT RIDGE POST NO. 10

Chestnut Ridge Post No. 10, Eightieth Division Veterans' Association, with the post de command at Uniontown, Pa., was organized on June 4, 1925, with Comrade Rufus O. Barkley as Adjutant and active organizer.

Chestnut Ridge Post starts off with a membership of thirty active members and a good field to draw from. The officers of the new post are confident that a strong post and a large membership can be developed in that city. Comrade Barkley's address is Fairchance, Pa.

Members of the new post are Rufus O. Barkley, Albert Ray Wood, John Billoe, J. P. Mills, Jr., Carson Lynn, Jesse Stoy, Carl J. Boost, J. E. Garwood, George F. Goodwin, Sam Bernson, W. R. Banfer, Dr. Elliott B. Edie, L. E. Barnhart, J. R. Smiley, S. A. Baltz, M. D., C. S. Herr, T. E. Lawson, Harry Brownfield, Paul Miner, R. E. Slagenwhite, W. W. Smith, Darrall Crossland, Robert P.

Fairfax, Charles I. Friedberg, Ralph Williams, Lindsey, Rockwell, Horace Frost, Herbert F. Cooley, Frank I. Case, and John F. Hogsett.

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Comrade Harry F. Sinadenos, formerly Cook, Battery C, 314th Field Artillery, has returned to Greece, where he is at present engaged in the mercantile business at Mytilene. He writes that he is the only disabled American veteran in that part of the world, and that after some years of effort he was allowed \$8.00 per month compensation by the Veterans' Bureau. He has been notified that his compensation would cease soon. As he is disabled and his financial condition permits him to carry on a very small business, he is very anxious to get a rehearing on his case. He writes that he will be glad to hear from all his former comrades. Address him at Mytilene, Greece.

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Word comes from the Clarksburg buddies that preliminary work is being done preparatory to the Sixth Annual Reunion which convenes in that city on August 27th and will continue as long as the francs last—though formally set for a four-day meet. The program, entertainment plans, with information as to hotels, etc., will be published in the next issue of "Service," which will be published in time to reach all the comrades. Clarksburg is noted for its hospitality, push and enterprise, and all vets of the "Galloping Eightieth" who attend the coming reunion can be assured a good time. Once a year talk-fest with your old comrades, organization reunions and banquets will be a feature of the get-together.

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Wm. M. Broe, formerly of Company D, 317th Infantry, was recently elected Adjutant of the Amesbury Post No. 187, American Legion, of Amesbury, Mass., for the fourth consecutive year.

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The stork visited Mr. and Mrs. Dwight H. Fee, of Wilksburg, Pa., on May 3rd and left a seven-pound son, William Warrell Fee. Comrade Fee is well known to the 80th vets, and was for sometime connected with the national headquarters immediately after the war. He was the first editor of "Service," later spent some years with the American Mission in Egypt. At present Comrade Fee is introducing an educational film throughout the country.

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Raymond Hardy and Miss Laura Kathleen Reames were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Reames, at Petersburg, Va., on March 17th. Comrade Hardy is a former member of the 318th Band, but his term of enlistment was for the period of the war only. He has now enlisted for life. Mr. and Mrs. Hardy have the

best wishes of all the vets of the "Fightin' 80th."

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Taylor Callahan, 314th Field Artillery, is now in business at Layland, W. Va.

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Louis Jaffe, Headquarters Company, 313th Field Artillery, has been commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Officers' Reserve Corps. Comrade Jaffe is engaged in the mercantile business on Virginia Street, Charleston, W. Va.

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D. Frank Graham, 318th Infantry, who had held down a berth at the State House at Charleston for some years, tendered his resignation, effective May 1.

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The correct address of Dr. Perry, who was attached to the Medical Corps, Second Battalion of the 319th Infantry, is wanted by Comrade C. R. Haley, Liaison Officer of the Allegheny Council Veterans of Foreign Wars, Pittsburgh, Pa. Comrade Haley is trying to secure compensation for a "buddy," and the statement of Dr. Perry is necessary to complete the claim.

DOES ANYONE KNOW OF PATRICK H. REYNOLDS?

A soldier, said to have enlisted under the assumed name of "Patrick H. Reynolds," and to have served at Camp Lee, Va., is now believed to have been Thomas McLaughlin, of Ashland, Pa., from whom no direct information has been received since the World War. McLaughlin, alias "Reynolds," was reported to have been killed at Vaux, Verdun Sector, on April 13, 1918, and another report gives date as June 13, 1918. McLaughlin was about 5 feet 8 inches in height, light complexion, gray eyes, weight about 140 pounds, of good disposition but of quiet nature. The mother of this soldier still awaits definite information from soldiers or comrades of her son fixing his service connection as well as location of his grave. Any information should be dispatched at once to Association Headquarters.

"ROUTE STEP—HRRCH!"

(A Medley)

"What was it Sarge? Couldn't hear him!" (This in a whisper.)

"Route step, you boob. Go ahead and light up!"

"Aw-right! Aw-right! What'll we sing, Dinny? Oh, I know! 'All We Do Is Sign the Pay Roll'—mebbe he'll take the tip!"

(Everybody)

"All we do is sign the pay roll,

All we do is sign the pay roll,

All we do is sign the pay roll,

And we never get a gol-dern cent!"

First, they make us make allotments,

Then they make us take insurance,

Then they fine us in the court marr-

shul,

So we never get a gol-dern cent!"

(By this time the head of the column has started a song of its own, the middle of the column in on something else, while the tail-enders are trying out their voices on something else again. The result is something like this:)

"Oh, the minstrels sing of an ancient king of many years ago—On the rocky road to Dublin, we were swinging along, we were swinging along—Pity a soldier in Boston's great city—Drunk last night and drunk the night before—The engineers they wag their ears above the hills and ditches—Oh, won't you come up, come up, come up—The infantry, the infantry, with mud behind their ears, they'll lick their weight in wildcats and drink their weight in beers."

Then—(all together)—

"Wake up in the morning at the sound of rev-vul-lee.

I looks at the Skipper and the Skipper looks at me;

The Skipper says, 'You ain't worth a damn,

For you're only a rookie and belong to Uncle Sam!"

Then it's home boys, home; it's home we long to be—

Home, boys, home, in North Amerikee! We'll hand old Glory—

"Cheese it! He's comin' down the line!" (Silence) "Left-right, left-right, left-right" (verbal camouflage by file-closers), "hup, hup, hup-hup-hup! One, two, three, four—One, two, THREE, four!"

"All right! He's beat it up!"

Down in the guardhouse, waiting my discharge,

To hell with the sergeant and the corp'l of the guard"

"Cheese it, Micky; here he comes again" (More silence punctuated by an occasional "left-right, left-right!")

"The COM-missioned officers, they are a—"

"CHEESE IT, I tell you, Jimmy! He was right in back of you when you started that! Lay-off, for Pete's sake!"

("He" proceeds forward, Gradually the various platoons get disintegrated again and off they go.)

"Huckleberry Finn, if I were Huckleberry Finn, I'd do the things he'd do, I'd be a kid again—Glawry, glawry hal-lelooooo—yah!—One prasshopper jumped right over the other grasshopper's—I dowanna be a sooldjer; why should I fight, everyt'ing by me's al right?—My mother's an apple pie baker, my father he fiddles for gin—Hello, Broadway, good-bye France! Joan of Ark, Jone of Ark—The girl I love, is on a magazine co-ho-over—Oh, it's nice to get up in the morning, but's nicer to lie in bed—And when the guns begin to shoot we'll go and hire a substeytoot!—Damm, damm, damm the insurrectoes!—Americurr, I raised my boy for you—

THE FLAG: HOW TO DISPLAY IT HOW TO RESPECT IT

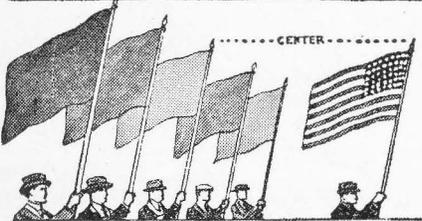
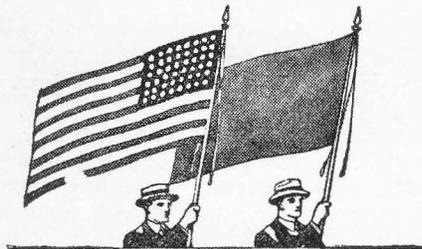
ON Flag Day, June 14th, representatives of 68 organizations met in Washington for a conference, called by and conducted under the auspices of The American Legion, to draft an authentic code of flag etiquette. The code drafted by that conference is printed on this and the following pages, together with diagrams illustrating most of the rules. While the rules adopted by the conference have no official government sanction, nevertheless they represent the authoritative opinion of the principal patriotic

bodies of the United States and of Army and Navy experts, and are binding on all of the organizations which took part in the gathering. The conference constituted itself a permanent body, so that modifications in the rules can be made if this proves desirable. The rules as given below are from the final corrected draft of the code as brought out of the conference. Legion posts will find the rules and diagrams worth calling to the notice of school pupils and citizens generally.

THERE are certain fundamental rules of heraldry which, if understood generally, would indicate the proper method of displaying the flag. The matter becomes a very simple one if it is kept in mind that the National Flag represents the living country and is itself considered as a living thing. The union of the flag is the honor point; the right arm is the sword arm, and therefore the point of danger and hence the place of honor.

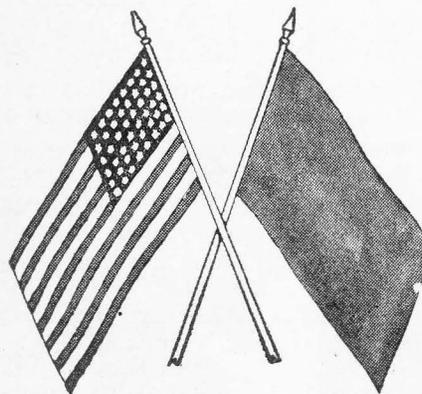
1. The Flag should be displayed only from sunrise to sunset, or between such hours as may be designated by proper authority. It should be displayed on national and state holidays and on historic and special occasion. The Flag should always be hoisted briskly and lowered slowly and ceremoniously.

2. When carried in a procession with another flag or flags, the Flag of the United States should be either on the marching right, i.e., the Flag's



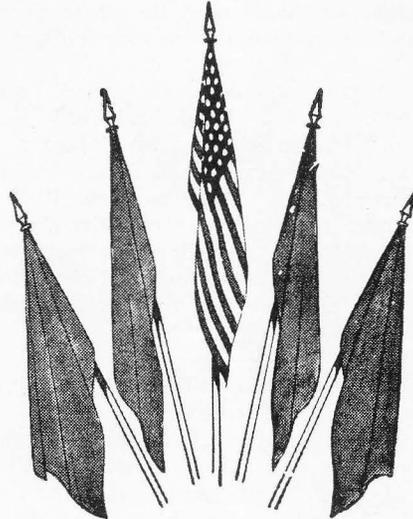
own right, or when there is a line of other flags the Flag of the United States may be in front of the center of that line.

3. When displayed with another flag against a wall from crossed staffs, the Flag of the United States should be on the right, the Flag's own right, and its staff should be in front of the staff of the other flag.



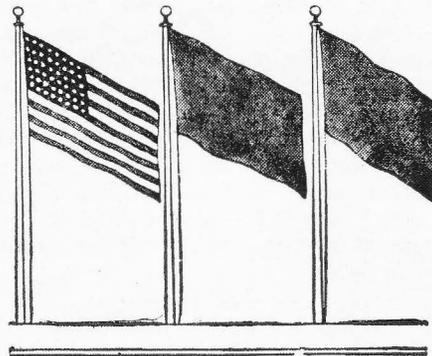
4. When a number of flags are grouped and displayed from staffs, the Flag of the United States should be in the center or at the highest point of the group. (See diagram, top next column.)

5. When flags of States or cities or pennants of societies are flown on the same halyard with the Flag of the United States, the National Flag



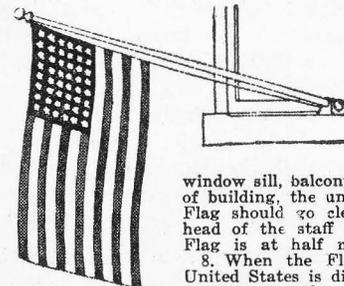
should always be at the peak. When flown from adjacent staffs the Flag of the United States should be hoisted first. No flag or pennant should be placed above or to the right of the Flag of the United States.

6. When flags of two or more nations are displayed they should be flown from separate staffs of the same height and the flags should be of



approximately equal size. (International usage forbids the display of the flag of one nation above that of another nation in time of peace.)

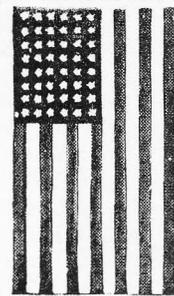
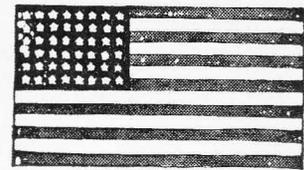
7. When the Flag is displayed from a staff projecting horizontally or at an angle from the



window sill, balcony, or front of building, the union of the Flag should go clear to the head of the staff unless the Flag is at half mast.

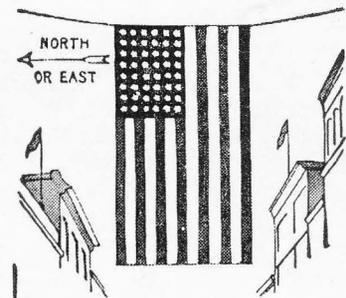
8. When the Flag of the United States is displayed in a manner other than by being flown from a staff it should be displayed flat, whether indoors or out. When displayed

either horizontally or vertically against a wall, the union should be uppermost and to the Flag's own right, i.e., to the observer's left. When displayed in a window it should be displayed the same way, that is, with the union or blue field to the left of the observer in the street. Where festoons, rosettes, or drappings of blue, white and



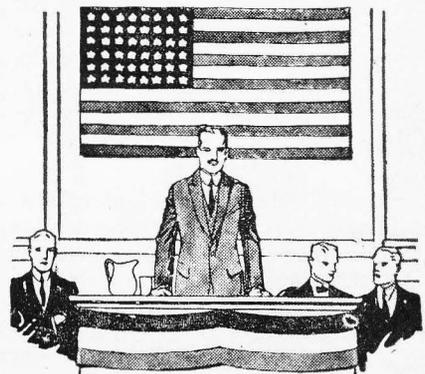
red are desired bunting should be used, but never the Flag.

9. When displayed over the middle of the street, as between buildings, the Flag of the United States should be suspended vertically with the union to the north in an east-and-west



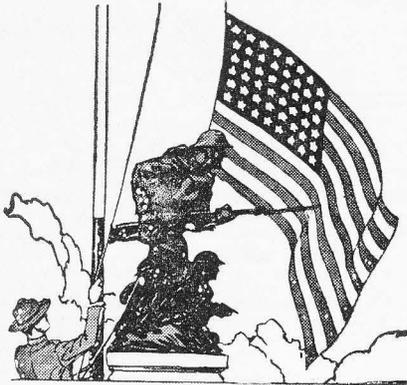
street or to the east in a north-and-south street.

10. When used on a speaker's platform, the Flag should be displayed above and behind the speaker. It should never be used to cover the speaker's desk nor to drape over the front of



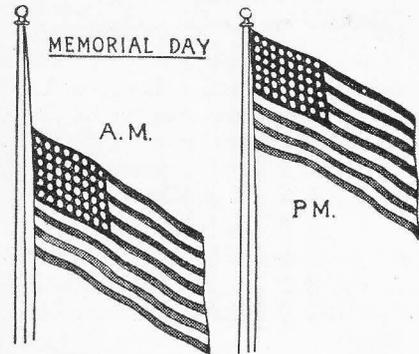
the platform. If flown from a staff it should be on the speaker's right.

11. When used in unveiling a statue or monument, the Flag should not be allowed to fall to the ground but should be carried aloft to wave



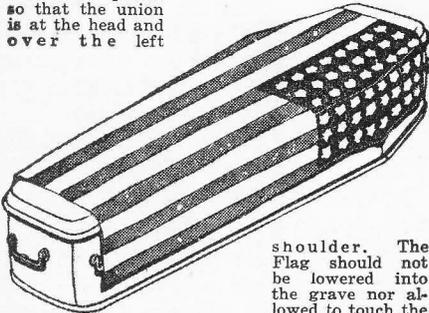
out, forming a distinctive feature during the remainder of the ceremony.

12. When flown at half staff, the Flag is first hoisted to the peak and then lowered to the half staff position, but before lowering the Flag for the day it is raised again to the peak. On



Memorial Day, May 30th, the Flag is displayed at half staff from sunrise until noon and at full staff from noon until sunset, for the Nation lives and the Flag is the symbol of the living Nation.

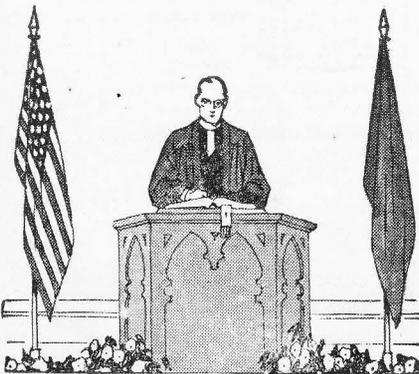
13. When used to cover a casket the Flag should be placed so that the union is at the head and over the left



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shoulder. The Flag should not be lowered into the grave nor allowed to touch the ground. The casket should be carried foot first.

14. When the Flag is displayed in church it should be from a staff placed on the congregation's right as they face the clergyman. The

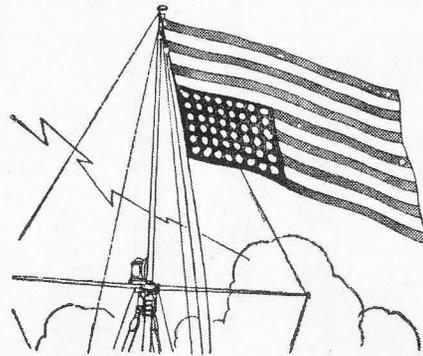


service flag, the state flag, or other flag should be at the left of the congregation. If in the chancel, the Flag of the United States should be placed on the clergyman's right as he faces the congregation and other flags on his left.

15. When the Flag is in such a condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display it should not be cast aside or used in any way that might be viewed as disrespectful to the national colors, but should be destroyed as a whole, privately, preferably by burning or by some other method in harmony with the reverence and respect we owe to the emblem representing our country.

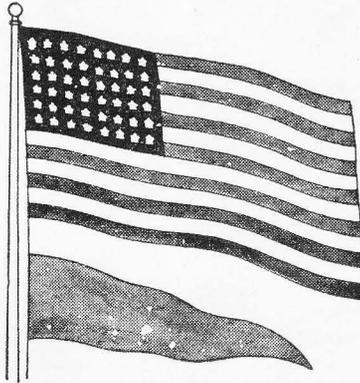
CAUTIONS

1. Do not permit disrespect to be shown to the Flag of the United States.
2. Do not dip the Flag of the United States to any person or any thing. The regimental color, state flag, organization or institutional flag will render this honor.
3. Do not display the Flag of the United States



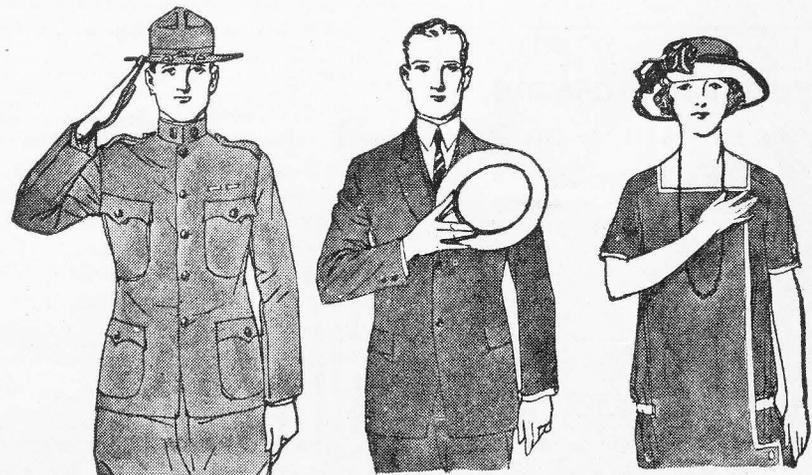
with the union down except as a signal of distress.

4. Do not place any other flag or pennant



above or to the right of the Flag of the United States.

5. Do not let the Flag of the United States touch the ground or trail in the water.
6. Do not place any object or emblem of any kind on or above the Flag of the United States.
7. Do not use the Flag as drapery in any form whatever. Use bunting of blue, white and red.



How to Salute the Flag and the National Anthem

8. Do not fasten the Flag in such manner as will permit it to be easily torn.

9. Do not drape the Flag over the hood, top, sides or back of a vehicle, or of a railroad train or boat. When the Flag is displayed on a motor car, the staff should be affixed firmly to the chassis or clamped to the radiator cap.

10. Do not display the Flag on a float in a parade except from a staff.

11. Do not use the Flag as a covering for a ceiling.

12. Do not use the Flag as a portion of a costume or of an athletic uniform. Do not embroider it upon cushions or handkerchiefs or print it on paper napkins or boxes.

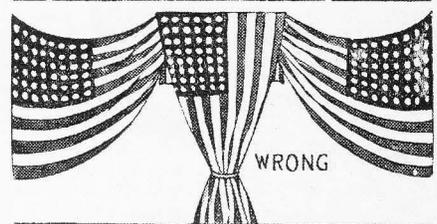
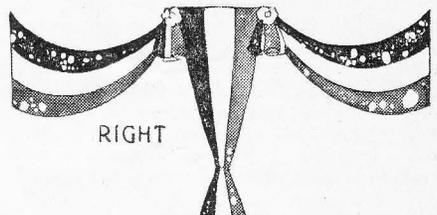
13. Do not put lettering of any kind upon the Flag.

14. Do not use the Flag in any form of advertising nor fasten an advertising sign to a pole from which the Flag of the United States is flying.

15. Do not display, use or store the Flag in such a manner as will permit it to be easily soiled or damaged.

PROPER USE OF BUNTING

BUNTING of the national colors should be used for covering a speaker's desk, draping over the front of a platform and for decoration



in general. Bunting should be arranged with the blue above, the white in the middle and the red below.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

DURING the ceremony of hoisting or lowering the Flag or when the Flag is passing in a parade or in a review, all persons present should face the Flag, stand at attention and salute. Those present in uniform should render the right-hand salute. When not in uniform, men should remove the headdress with the right hand and hold it at the left shoulder. Women should salute by placing the right hand over the heart. The salute to the Flag in the moving column is rendered at the moment the Flag passes.

When the National Anthem is played those present in uniform should salute at the first note of the anthem, retaining this position until the last note of the anthem. When not in uniform, men should remove the headdress and hold it as in the salute to the Flag. Women should render the salute as to the Flag. When there is no Flag displayed, all should face toward the music.



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

GOSE, A. C. (Shorty)—Formerly Corporal, Company G, 320th Infantry, was accidentally killed on June 6th, near Mountain View, Missouri, while on a hunting trip. Comrade Gose was serving as assessor of Howell County, Missouri, at the time of his death. He was born in Morgan County, Kentucky, December 6, 1894, and is survived by his widow, Mrs. Genevieve Gose, and his son, Don Ferrell. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, June 9th, at the Church of Christ, Mountain View, Mo., and interment was made in the City Cemetery, near by. Full military rites were accorded Comrade Gose by the members of the American Legion.

COMBS, RAY—Battery D, 315th Field Artillery, was killed July 7, 1925, at Johnson City, Tennessee, when his gun was accidentally discharged while on a hunting trip. Comrade Combs was a patient at the Veteran's Bureau Hospital at Johnson City, suffering from tuberculosis which resulted from a gas attack in France. The accidental death of Comrade Combs is the third of that nature in his own immediate family within the past three years, his father and sister meeting tragic deaths. In his uncle's family, four members met similar deaths. The body was returned to his old home at Beckley, W. Va., where burial was made in the Mount Tabor Cemetery. The American Legion rendered the final honors at the grave of our comrade.

GRAY, HENRY C.—Corporal, Headquarters Company, 305th Ammunition Train, died December 23, 1924, at his late home at 3619 Fleming Avenue, North Side, Pittsburgh, Pa. His death was due to pneumonia. Comrade Gray is survived by his widow, whose present address is 946 West North Avenue, North Side, Pittsburgh.

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"WAY DOWN EAST"

As a part of its Memorial Day exercises, the German H. H. Emory Post of the American Legion, Baltimore, placed a wreath on the portrait of Maj. Emory hanging in the City Courthouse, Baltimore. Major Emory, who was killed while leading the Third Battalion, 320th Infantry, in action in the Meuse-Argonne offensive November 1, 1918, was a prominent member of the Baltimore bar.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Highley, of Newark, N. J., who were married in that city April 25, spent a part of their honeymoon touring the Shenandoah Valley and at Hot Springs, Va. Mrs. Highley before marriage was Miss Janet Turnbull, of Newark. Mr. Highley served during the war as First Lieutenant, Company H, 319 Infantry, and was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross.

Attorneys for the Rhinehart-Dennis Corporation, builders of Camp Lee, appearing in the Federal District Court in Richmond, April 24, requested the United States Government to file a more definite bill of particulars in the suit which has been brought against the contractors, alleging that \$7,200,000 was wasted in the construction of the cantonment. Camp Lee was built at a cost of \$19,000,000, a large portion of which was paid the Rhinehart-Dennis Corporation. The Graham Committee, which conducted the Government's investigation, decided that the construction work should have cost only \$11,800,000.

Our old space-filler, the "Leviathan," entered the limelight in a new role March 1, when her commander, Captain Herbert S. Hartley, raised the honeymoon pennant. Cupid's colors were flown in honor of the marriage of Miss Nora Bayes, the singer, to Benjamin L. Friedland, of New York, the ceremony being performed by Captain Hartley aboard the former A. E. F. transport when 80 miles east of Ambrose Light.

Colonel Harry C. Jones, who commanded the 318th Infantry for a time and who is now chairman of Baltimore's War Memorial Commission, was a promi-

nent figure in the ceremonies attending the unveiling of the memorial edifice on April 5.

A press dispatch dated Charleston, W. Va., April 21, says: "Following the action of church congregations yesterday in telegraphing Governor Howard M. Gore, asking him to veto the new State boxing law passed by the Legislature, some six hundred members of the local post of the 80th Division Veterans' Association, and the local post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars telegraphed the Governor today asking him to sign the measure." Thus the vets espouse a good old A. E. F.-ian pastime.

The creation by executive order of President Coolidge of three new National Forests in Virginia was announced April 16. One of the number is to be known as the Lee National Forest and includes 17,000 acres on the site of the Camp Lee military reservation. It is stated that this arrangement will make the area available for future military use. In the meantime, the natural resources, particularly the timber, will be protected and developed. It is the plan of the Forestry Service to undertake the administration of the Lee National Forest when funds are available.

A Winchester, Va., writer in the Baltimore Sun, under date of May 19, in referring to the candidacy of Major Robert T. Barton, former Captain, 318th Field Artillery, for the Virginia House of Delegates, pays a glowing tribute to the ex-Blue Ridge artillery officer, who is now a leading member of the Winchester bar. He concludes as follows: "Mr. Barton has the broadness of intellect which grasps conditions as they arise and that heroic grit which enables him to battle for full justice at all times to all people. He is ever ready to settle controversies and will rebuke a friend if justice demands it. Mr. Barton's motto has ever been: 'That he who is true to his God cannot be false to any man.'"

Members of the 80th Division who attended the Norfolk Reunion in August, 1923, will regret to learn of the death of

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"Peggy," famed English sheep dog which marched in the parade on that occasion. "Peggy" was buried in Norfolk May 18 with full military honors in a plot in the City Park set aside by the Council. Members of the 80th Division and Veterans of Foreign Wars marched behind her flag-draped casket and fired a salute at the grave. The Norfolk veterans will erect a monument to her. "Peggy" saw service with the British in Flanders, was wounded several times in action, being mentioned in dispatches for her service in carrying food and water to wounded men, and is credited with having saved several lives. She was brought to Norfolk by American soldiers after the war.

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Following four years of duty as Chief of Staff of the Third Corps Area, with headquarters at Baltimore, Colonel Frank S. Cocheu, who commanded the 319th Infantry to October, 1918, was relieved April 6, and on June 30 will become assistant commandant of the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Ga. Colonel Cocheu enjoys the distinction of having served longer with the General Staff than any other officer in the Army, his service with this section covering more than ten years. One month before the Armistice, he was promoted to the grade of Brigadier General and placed in command of the 58th Infantry Brigade, of the 29th Division.

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A handsome new high school building erected at St. Joseph, La., has been named for 1st Lieutenant Joseph M. Davidson, who was killed in action near La Polka Farm, November 5, 1918, while leading a platoon of Company C, 318th Infantry. Lieutenant Davidson was posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for his gallantry in this engagement. A marble drinking fountain has been given to the school by Lieutenant Davidson's father, W. M. Davidson, a prominent citizen of St. Joseph.

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Operation of the steamship "Leviathan," upon which several detachments of the 80th Division sailed for France in May, 1918, cost the United States Government a loss of about \$1,000,000 last year, and it is estimated the amount will be the same his year. This estimate was made May 29 by Leigh C. Palmer, president of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, who declared reports that the liner had cost the Government a loss of \$7,000,000 was without foundation.

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Charles B. Fowlkes, of Newport News, Va., who served during the war as a member of the 314th Machine Gun Battalion, is chairman of the Encampment Committee of the Second Annual Encampment of the Department of Virginia, Veterans of Foreign Wars, to be held in Newport News, June, 15, 16 and 17. Among others who have accepted invi-

tations to attend is Major General Adelbert Cronkhite.

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Comrade Frank G. Christian, of the 319th Ambulance Company, resides at 515 West Grace Street, Richmond, Va., and is connected with the Richmond office of Cecil, Barreto & Cecil, Inc., Advertising. He writes that about thirty members of his old outfit are living in Rich-



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Newport News, June 15, 16 and 17. Among others who have accepted invimond and have an organization which meets periodically.

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J. Walton Harrison, formerly a musician in the 318th Infantry band, was a violin instructor in Shenandoah College, Dayton, Va., during the session just closed. Comrade Harrison's home address is Broadway, Va.

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A number of 80th Division men participated in the ceremonies attending the unveiling of a memorial at Martinsburg, W. Va., May 30, to the memory of Berkeley County's dead in the World War. The monument was erected by The Martinsburg Post of the American Legion.

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J. R. Riddick, ex-Sergeant, Company G, 318th Infantry, and now manager of the Costa Rican branch of the Republic Tobacco Co., arrived in New York about the middle of May and is spending the month of June at his old home at Petersburg, Va. Since the war, "June" has been stationed at various points in the West Indies, South and Central America, and is at present located at San Jose, the capital of Costa Rica. Comrade Riddick has become a benedict since his last visit to the States in 1923, and is accompanied on the present trip by Mrs. Riddick.

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Ray B. Coffman, ex-313th Field Artillery, is at present Worshipful Master of the Masonic Lodge in his home town of Edinburg, Va.

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Paul R. Moyer, former Sergeant, 80th M. P. Company, has his civilian domicile at 94 Shenango Street, Greenville, Pa.

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Father Edward A. Wallace, of Manhattan Beach, N. Y., former Chaplain of the 320th Infantry and for several terms Chaplain of the Division Association, spent several months this spring in Europe.

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Major Wilfrid M. Blunt, who commanded the First Battalion, 319th Infantry, during a part of the Meuse-Argonne operations, is now on duty with Headquarters Third Corps Area, at Baltimore.

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Lieutenant Colonel A. W. Foreman, Division Quartermaster and G-1 of the 80th during the Camp Lee period and in France until June, 1918, was relieved from duty with the War Plans Division, General Staff, in Washington, on April 20. Following a leave of absence at Wilmington, Del., until July 15, Lieutenant Colonel Foreman will be stationed at Fort Des Moines, Iowa, until September 1. After that date he will be on duty with the 17th Infantry at Fort Omaha,

Nebr., until October 1, and at Fort Benning, Ga., until about January 1, 1926.

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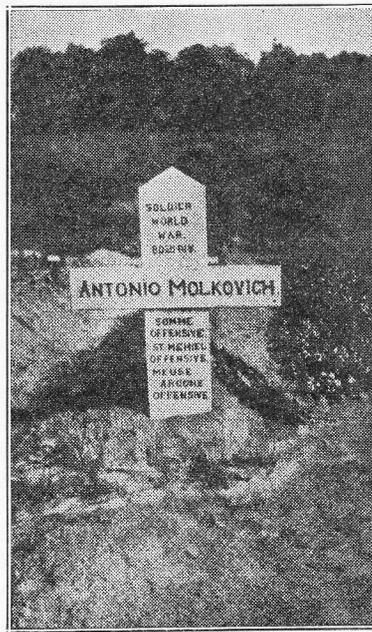
Captain William Clark, of the 314th Field Artillery, is now a Judge of the Court of Errors and Appeals of New Jersey. Judge Clark's residence is 117 Library Place, Princeton, N. J.

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Rev. Arthur H. Brown, former Senior Division Chaplain, is at present located at 60 Cedar Street, Ridgefield Park, N. J., where he is pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church.

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Major (later Lieut. Col.) Richard S. Davis, M. C., who was Regimental Surgeon of the 319th Infantry until about September 29, 1918, has his home at 300 Schoolhouse Lane, Germantown, Philadelphia. Major Davis was gassed during the Argonne operations and subsequently stationed at Nice as attending surgeon. While there he was awarded a decoration by the Italian Government.



The grave of a comrade, Antonio Molkovich, who was killed in the Herrin, Illinois, riots. The picture was clipped from some magazine and sent in by a comrade at Washington, D. C. Can any "buddy" furnish information as to organization and service of Molkovich?

Captain Joseph Dailey, M. C., who commanded the Medical Supply Unit of the 305th Train Headquarters, is now located at Auburn, Wash., R. F. D. No. 2.

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Comrades Charles B. Hartman and Noah E. Spitzer, who served during the war with Company E, 318th Infantry, have their civilian "dug-outs" at Linville, Va., and Broadway, Va., respec-

tively. Comrade Hartman recently spent several months undergoing treatment at Walter Reed Hospital, in Washington.

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Captain Davis S. Bingham, of the 305th Ammunition Train, is living at 123 North Walnut Street, East Orange, N. J. Captain Bingham's business address is 9 Clinton Street, Newark, N. J.

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This is a mighty good time to begin laying plans for attending the 80th's Sixth Annual Revue in Clarksburg the last week in August. Let's make it unanimous and fill the old town to overflowing, Buddy. You who have participated in the Blue Ridge Division's previous "campaigns" in the "home sector" require no urging; you who have not missed the *bon temps* of your post-bellum career. Any skepticism you may entertain can be removed by heading the family "flivver" toward Clarksburg by the nearest route when the clan begins to assemble in annual reunion: 'Tis a grand and glorious feelin'—that of meeting up with your old Buddies of other days and other times. There's nothing like a good old session of "parley-voo" around the festive board to make you forget Volsteadism, the Sheriff, and a lot of kindred worries. Let's make this a real reunion of the "Kat-ro-Van" Division. Sol Burka and his gang of ex-artillerymen are preparing to show you the time of your life and, whether you wore a Sam Browne or the grease spots of a K. P., you'll find a brand of entertainment awaiting you that will last for the ensuing twelve months. Start saving up the francs now and brush up your recollections against the time when you can show your comrades that you're still a red-blooded he-man. You have just one chance each year to cash in on your hitch in the fighting, hiking 80th, so let's "move forward" on Clarksburg in August in the manner of old.

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Major Gerald Egan, formerly of the Third Battalion, 319th Infantry, is now on the staff of "The News," New York's pictorial daily, at 25 Park Place, New York.

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F. L. Conway, who served with the 305th Trench Mortar Battery, is located at Beckley, W. Va., where he is connected with the Raleigh Smokeless Fuel Co.

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Comrade Merwin J. Stickney, formerly of Headquarters Company, 318th Infantry, resides at Penn Laird, Va., where he is engaged in the poultry business.

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All members of this organization possessing data and information pertaining to its movements, activities, etc., are urged to communicate same at once to Mr. Frank G. Christian, 515 W. Grace Street, Richmond, Va., who is engaged in assembling material concerning the unit for the 80th Division History.

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ATTENTION, 305th MOTOR SUPPLY TRAIN

Major Lucien C. Lowndes, 908-909 American Building, Baltimore, Md., former 80th Division Motor Transport Officer, is engaged in compiling a record of the 305th Motor Supply Train for the 80th Division History and the Maryland War History Commission. All members of this organization are requested to assist Major Lowndes with the loan of any data they may have pertaining to its activities.

NOTES FROM WASHINGTON

Two former Eightieth Division officers were among a group of military intelligence reserve officers chosen for 15 days' tour of active duty at the War Department during June. They were:

Captain Stephen D. Early, now with the Associated Press in Washington, formerly First Lieutenant with 317th Infantry Machine Gun Company.

Major L. H. Fredericks, now with The Morning Star, Rockford, Ill., formerly regimental intelligence officer of the 317th Infantry.

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Among former officers of the Division now located in Washington is Paul P. Steintorf, formerly First Lieutenant, Company 4, 317th Infantry, who is with the Far East Division of the Department of Commerce. He returned from Japan about a year ago, where he was on duty with the American Embassy.

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Cornelius H. Bull, formerly Second Lieutenant, Company C, 317th Infantry,

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F. Tracy Campbell, formerly First Lieutenant, Company B, 317th Infantry, is in the hardware business at Anacostia, Washington, D. C.

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Lieutenant Colonel Chas. Keller, who was commander of the 317th Infantry during the greater part of its combat service, is with War Plans Division of the General Staff, at Washington.

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Among other Eightieth Division officers on duty with the War Department are: Colonel James H. Bryson, formerly

commanding the 313th Field Artillery Brigade; Major Sherburne Whipple, formerly G-1 of the Division; Lieutenant Colonel John H. Cocke, formerly division machine gun officer; Major Hiram Cooper, Brigade Adjutant, 159th Brigade; Major Pat Foley, formerly division machine gun officer, is at the War College.

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Appointment of Ollie M. Butler, a member of the District bar and an attorney of Washington, as trade commissioner at Manila, P. I., was announced June 1st by Dr. Julius Klein, director of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce. Mr. Butler will sail for Manila within a few days to take up his new duties in the Far East. He succeeds E. B. George as trade commissioner at Manila. Mr. George is returning to the United States.

Mr. Butler, who is a graduate of the National University Law School of Washington, lives at 2434 Second street northwest. He was born in Texas 38 years ago and received his early education in Texas and in Ohio, taking a law course in Washington and a special course in international and French law at the University of Paris.

The new trade commissioner served with the 317th Infantry overseas, holding several posts with the American Army after the armistice. He was with the Shipping Board at Barcelona, Spain, and was at one time managing director of the Spanish-American Shipping Corporation of Barcelona, also serving with the United States Lines in Spain.

CO. F, 305TH AMMUNITION TRAIN

By Lean A. Gainster

Say, gang, do you know that Fred Miller has one of those 'er Jewett Koo-pays. He's got a wife, too, so that's that. Fred is still living in Sharpsville, Pa.

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Sam Felton who has been on the sick list for the last couple of years is again O. K. He is back at his old job as street car conductor for the Penn-Ohio Electric Company, in Sharon. His run is the night one to Sharpsville. Residence, 42 Heinz Avenue, Sharon, Pa.

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A. O. Shaffer, our dependable corporal, gave me the surprise of my life the other day, he was plastering a house near my place. That was the first that I knew his occupation. He must be good at it, for the plaster hasn't started to fall yet.

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Earl Rankin, one of that gang from the first section who always forgot that the little guys in the last section had short legs when on the march, is boosting for the new Veterans of Foreign Wars Post just started in Sharon. The Salmon King, as he was often good-naturedly called, because he tried to see how much of it he could get on the outside of when

he first hit Camp Lee, has been married for six years, but as far as I know non petit enfants.

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J. L. (Jess) Taylor, Stoneboro, Pa., is brakeman on the New Castle branch local, Penna. R. R. Jess would like to have the baggageman's job on the Stoneboro-Alliance passenger run, but he hasn't enough whiskers as yet.

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Wallace Ruff, small, but oh, my! Haven't seen him since discharge; still read quite a lot about his athletic prowess in the papers. He has no street address, just plain Fredonia, Pa., one of those towns where they take in the sidewalks and the street lights at night.

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I received a letter from Sergeant John Gustafson the other day regarding the company reunion that is to come off in June. Oh, boy, when I saw that envelope—there was Co. F, 305th Ammunition Train blazoned on it in big letters—I nearly keeled over from the effects. John, as chairman of the committee, is taking this means to advertise the outfit. Take it from me, it sure is a great BALLY-HOO stunt. John always did believe in trimmings; didn't he once try to order us pajamas with lace on them, and he would have gotten away with it, too, if Lieutenant Minatree as Supply Officer, hadn't put the ki-bosh on the deal, giving for an excuse that the boys would next be wanting napkins at chow time.

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That four by four beer that you read about in Canada reminds me of that song about the Old Gray Mare that we used to sing, "It ain't what it used to be."

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I was talking to a gink the other day who lives near me and he was saying that he couldn't sleep at night. I asked

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him what was hindering him, and he replied, "that he never could sleep with the window blinds up." I asked why he didn't pull them down, and he said that he couldn't reach across the street.

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I saw S. O. Stewart, who at one time at Camp Lee parked his feet under an F Company table, the other Sunday driving a big truck, looked like one of the Furnace trucks from Sharpsville. Orrin later ended up in the Motor Battalion.

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Frank W. Stewart also lives in Sharpsville, Pa., and is agent for the Motor Car Company that belongs to Henry. Frank was one of the original members

of Company F, but later transferred to Division Headquarters.

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As Earl Montgomery spoke to Lieutenant Mintaree one dark night at Langon, France, "We are all brothers, and we're all fighting for the same cause, just help me to find my pup tent." With the same idea in mind, let each and every one of us find ourselves and cough up three measly iron men for the 80th Division Veterans' Association, Charleston, W. Va.

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On a rather chilly afternoon, May 26, 1925, a real husky boy weighing nine pounds arrived for an extended visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James J. Hanrahan, of Petroleum, Ohio. Jim will be remembered by many as F Company's Stable Sergeant at Camp Lee. This makes his family total four now. Not four kids, but four in all.

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Edward A. Morton, Samuel Tyers, and Willis W. Patton are now shaking hands with each other as they are related as brothers-in-law.

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Michael J. Clarke, our old pal and non-com, from latest news is doing first rate with a road house at Filo, Ohio. Everything within the law is the slogan.

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Oscar (Heavy) Allen is the proud father of three boys.

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O. C. Whitaker, former Captain, this outfit, then promoted Major of Horse Battalion, then to Colonel with a Provost Marshal Outfit, is bivouaced in the beautiful city of Canton, Ohio, and he says that he is still trying to figure out how to make a million dollars.

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John Harper Dodds, ex-Corporal and right-hand man for John Gustafson, the Supply Sergeant, acclaimed the distinction as having been the man to come the longest distance to attend the Fourth Annual Reunion of the outfit held in Sharon, June 20th. Harper, accompanied by his younger brother, drove from down in the mountains of West Virginia, and it was necessary that he make the return trip the same day. Harper is superintendent in charge of construction of a dam for the United States Government, so you can see that he is still working for Uncle Sam and the War Department.

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John E. Dye, commander of the mess in Ye Old Days, drove up from Mahoningtown in his new buzz wagon. He had a big sign on it CROSS CROSSINGS CAUTIOUSLY, whatever that meant. Maybe it's some kind of a new bully beef.

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John Gustafson received a vote of thanks from the members that attended the Fourth Reunion for the good work in making it such a success.

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C. C. Agate and Geo. Minatree run

neck and neck for distance covered to attend the reunion, coming from New York and Washington, D. C., respectively.

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Edward Goodall, Sharon, Pa.; Andy Arendas, Mike Benya, David Aubrey, of Farrell, Pa.; Martin Gaydos, Sharon; Robert Redfoot, Greenville, Pa., who stood for the first muster of the company at Camp Lee, were among those in for the reunion. Aubrey transferred to Doc Brown's Medics; Benya and Arendas to the Depot Brigade; Goodall to the 4th Division Infantry; Gaydos to a camp near Chicago, and Redfoot to the Tank Corps.

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shoer, was among those present, even if he did sneak away in the afternoon and play a game of ball. Remember, gang, Leonard used to be some pitcher. He gets his mail at Clark, Pa.
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How many of the gang will be at

Clarksburg, W. Va., for the Divisional Reunion this year. I bet Percy Chamberlain will, at least.

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, 320TH INFANTRY

Headquarters Company, 320th Infantry, held its first annual banquet in the Norse Room, Fort Pitt Hotel, Pittsburgh, on Saturday evening, March 7th.

To say that it was a success is putting it mildly, as the comrades poured in from the east, west, north and south to the total count of 81. Telegrams and letters also poured in from all points of the compass expressing the personal regrets of those who were unable to attend.

Although the banquet was not scheduled until 8:30 P. M., the gang began to congregate in the hotel lobby around 6:30, and from that time on a continual shaking of hands seemed to be the leading pastime. No doubt many of the old buddies woke up on Sunday morning with stiff arms as a result of the handshaking.

Finally the zero hour of 8:30 arrived and all filed down to the Norse room and took places at the tables. A very nice meal was served (hardtack, bully beef and beans omitted) during the eating of which an excellent orchestra played popular airs. Some of the old-time songs dear to the memory of Army days were

played by the orchestra now and then, and the gang joined in by singing them. Favors in the form of paper hats were worn by all. Novelties in the form of various noise makers were placed at each plate. It is sufficient to say that at times the orchestra was drowned out by the

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noise made by the latter coupled with the general noise and confusion occasioned by the greeting of a late arrival.

At the conclusion of the meal, after smokes had been served, the chairman, ex-Sergeant Thomas Powers, called the meeting to order, when he asked that all rise in silent tribute to those of the company who had gone to the Great Beyond. During this period a list of names of those who had passed away was read.

An election of officers for the ensuing year was then entered into and the following were elected to serve: President, Captain Thos. H. Westlake; Secretary, Corporal Jas. E. Blair; Treasurer, 1st Cl. Pvt. Robt. B. Mulvehill.

The newly elected president, Captain Westlake, then addressed the comrades. His address was short but sweet, as it went straight to the hearts of all, for he has neither forgotten nor outlived the traits which endeared him to the men with whom he served.

In his talk he combined references of our common experiences during Army life with warm interest shown regarding the life and activities of the various members of the company since their discharge from the service. He mentioned the fact that he was especially interested in hearing of so many of the men having married and having "papa" added to their mode of calling.

Our invited guest of the evening, Captain Robert G. Woodside, ex-Commander-in-Chief of the V. F. W., then gave us an interesting talk regarding his recent trip back to the battlefields of France. The points of this talk that seemed to be of much interest to all was his description of the various monuments which were being erected over there in memory of the A. E. F.

Our three ex-First Sergeants, Tom Powers, Earl Blair and Chas. Potts each gave a short talk to the men.

One of the most enjoyable features of the evening was the exchange of reminiscences and extemporaneous remarks by the members at large.

Finally the merriment became so gen-

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eral that comrades rose from all parts of the room and contributed their bit toward making the reunion a howling success. And they succeeded.

Those of the old outfit who were unable to attend don't know and can't imagine what they missed, and it is im-

possible to describe it fully in print.

The event will be a yearly affair from now on and all comrades who ever served with the company are invited to participate. If you were not present, send us your name and address so we will know where to send your notice. Address all communications to J. E. Blair, Secretary, 203 Church Street, Mt. Lebanon, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Ewart, Ed. Zisterer, O. Magrini, J. G. Mullen, Leo Schiller, Clarence Shaw, C. Donatelli, William Beards, Harry Page, John J. Barry, Elmer E. Bliel, John Loefert, T. S. Cahall, John Huber, H. C. Strobel, Martin E. Mullen, Ray A. Fierst, Louis F. May, Joseph Atkinson, John

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Company G, 320th Infantry, held their annual banquet at the Hotel Chatham, Pittsburgh, Saturday evening, March 29, 1925. Forty-two members of the old company turned out once again to rehearse the thrilling events which they took an active part during their service in France. Our old friend, Thomas P. Moroney, gave a wonderful speech in which he outlined the activities of the organization, its experiences, and complimented the officers of the organization for their efforts in staging these affairs for the benefit of the members of the company. Among those present were A. L. Swanson, New York; John Gabel, New York; H. L. Schamberg, Harrisburg, Pa.; Frederick J. Biers, Erie, Pa.; Clarence Taylor, Ohio; Pyle, Pennsylvania; John W. Smith, Woodlawn, Pa.; Frank Sephton, Monaca, Pa.; Jos. R. Cassa, Jeanette, Pa.; John Viazanko, Adah, Pa.; Frank Moritz, John McConn, O. J. Remmy, R.

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John Loeffert, formerly Corporal, Company G, 320th Infantry, is connected with the Accounting Department of The Dairymen's Co-operative Sales Co., 451 Century Building, Pittsburgh, Pa. He will be glad to hear from any of his buddies.

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The sincere sympathy of the members of Company G, 320th Infantry, are extended to Mrs. Genevieve Gose in the loss of her beloved husband, H. C. (Shorty) Gose, and our beloved comrade, who met an accidental death while on a hunting trip. He was buried June 9th in the City Cemetery, Mountain View, Mo., by the American Legion.

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William Umphall, formerly Private, Company G, 320th Infantry, is living at 1233 Dickson Street, North Side, Pittsburgh, Pa. Private Umphall was later transferred to 320th Headquarters Company, but he is still classed as one of the company men. Let's hear from you, Bill, when the spirit moves you.

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Edward B. Kuhn, formerly Private, Company G, 320th Infantry, is now married and living at Donegal, Pa. Here's good luck to you, Edward, from all your old "Buddies" of the company.

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Salvatore Gentile, formerly Private 1st Class, Company G, 320th Infantry, is located at 3122 Wertborn Street, Pittsburgh, Pa. The boys are inquisitive to know whether he still wears his big mustache.

319TH INFANTRY

Colonel Frank S. Cocheu is sending out a circular to former members of the 319th Infantry, advising that Captain Preston D. Callum, Infantry Reserves, who is now assigned to the 319th Infantry, is endeavoring to write a history of the 319th Infantry from the date of its organization to the present day, his idea being to then keep it up to date. His plan is to include everything that can be collected by him such as orders, memoranda, rosters of officers, rosters of enlisted men, incidents of all kinds including those connected with Camp Lee life such as clearing our drill field, reviews for distinguished visitors, Liberty Loan drive, The Bayonet, the building of orderly rooms, shipment of men to the Third Division, and the Lee Birthday celebration. Our trip to France, our stay in Calais, various marches, service at the front, return home are all to be featured. Captain Callum also desires a copy of

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NORFOLK-PORTSMOUTH POST NO. 1

Norfolk-Portsmouth Post No. 1 held their May meeting on May 26th at the Southland Hotel. It was 318th Infantry night, and a large crowd turned out. No special program had been arranged; E. B. Truitt, Sergeant, Medical Department, started the ball rolling, followed by W. H. Bucking, W. W. Jordan and others. The Post extended an invitation to General Cronkhite to attend the June meeting, as he is to be the guest of the State of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, at Newport News on June 16-18th. A special committee composed of Lieutenant J. B. Withers, Lieutenant A. M. Brownley and Lieutenant H. R. Furr was appointed by Commander Diehl to make arrangements and to prepare a program for the meeting.

J. B. Freeman, Private first class, 317th Infantry, will leave within a short time for Detroit, Mich., where he will study the cafeteria in the Ford plant for two weeks. He will return by way of

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Charlotte, N. C., about the first of July, when he will take charge of the cafeteria to be installed in the Ford plant at Norfolk. The cafeteria is being installed by the D. Pender Grocery Company at a cost of about \$20,000. Go to it, J. B., we are with you and know you can put it over. Sergeant Wamack, 317th Infantry, is in charge of one of the departments in the Ford plant.

W. A. Waller, 319th Infantry, left June 10th for Blacksburg, Va., where he entered the Virginia Polytechnic Institute for the summer course.

Dr. H. R. Seelinger, 317th Infantry; W. W. Jordan, 318th Machine Gun Company, and John Montagna, 318th Infantry Band, are members of the clubhouse committee of Norfolk Post 392, V. F. W.

W. R. Whichard (Uncle Bill) attended the Shrine meeting at Los Angeles, California, but promised to be back in time to help entertain the General.

E. B. Truitt is sporting a bran' new car. The drug business must be good.

Captain J. Carl Peck, 319th Infantry, delivered a memorial address in the Ghent Methodist Church May 31st. Comrade Peck is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Commonwealth's Attorney. The primary election will be held August 4th.

A. B. Hill, 317th Infantry, recently purchased a home in Portsmouth. His address is 51 Decatur Avenue, Craddock, Portsmouth, Va.

Morris Myers, 317th Infantry, said he thought the roads of France were long and hard, but they did not compare with the road he traveled the night he joined the Shrine. P. A. Jones and John B. Diehl saw that he got the worth of his money.

A. B. Doughty, 314th Field Artillery, has announced that he will drive to Clarksburg to attend the reunion in August. Look out for him, Burka. A. B. Hopkins, 314th Field Artillery, will also make the trip overland.

Captain J. Carl Peck was recently called to Huntington, W. Va., to attend the funeral of his father.

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