

## SINEWS AND SCIENCE

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### WHO WAS WHO IN ATHLETICS

Sergt. Jenkins, the efficient custodian of Uncle Sam's mail is quite a follower of sports and in his day was a teammate of Joe Sockalexis, the fleetfooted Indian, who burned up the "big show." Put the Sergeant on the other end of a Havana perfecto and he'll tell you of the stunts that made this Indian the most talked about man in baseball.

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Pvt. Wilson, of B-8, hails from Lynn, Mass., and used to play with different teams in that section. He held down an infield position with the General Electric team.

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Pvt. Batchelor has played with different teams around Ansonia and was an infielder of repute. Batchelor also plays football.

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Pvt. Ryder has played football with different semi-pro. teams around Fort Wayne and his services were always in demand.

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Pvt. Oswald is getting the tennis courts ready for a busy season. This sport should be encouraged and is far from being a puny game as most people imagine. In order to play a game of lawn tennis right one must be in as good a physical condition as a prize fighter or football player, in fact, any of the sports that require stamina.

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Pvt. Overly was a lacrosse player with the Montreal Blues and held down coverpoint for a number of years.

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Pvt. Booth, the genial fireman managed a semi-pro. team in Brockton, Mass., for a number of years which was easily one of the best teams ever turned out of Brockton.

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Pvt. Pero, the custodian of B-1 is quite an all-around athlete, having played basketball, football and baseball. He has also devoted much time on the cinder paths, the dashes being his specialty.

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Pvt. Stump who hails from Fort Wayne, has also dabbled in sports, being a member of different gymnasium teams who give exhibitions in all-around athletic work.

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Pvt. Rose has played football and baseball with West Haven High. New football was this boy's specialty and many games has he won by his consistent offensive work.

Private Francis Mills is with us again after having spent a very agreeable ten-day leave at his home in Maine.

### BASEBALL BREIVTIES.

(By K. J. D.)

Hoffman certainly had the Indian sign on the Remount team. Breaking their backs was quite in order for them.

Lange upset the dope and garnered four hits. It seemed to please the fans immensely. Is the jinx gone?

Little top's effort in left field proved futile. Dewey O'Connor claimed to have a "Kelley" glove and refused to go for the ball.

Zecha's bare hand stop of the drive in back of MacRae was easily the outstanding feature. A quick recovery shut off a man at third.

We recruited MacRae of the Medical Supply Depot to hold down third base and he did his duty nobly. He is a good man for any team.

Between furloughs and injuries the team surely is in a crippled state at the present time. Let's hope the boys come around in good style soon.

### GOOD SCORES FOR BASE.

At the athletic meeting held July 4 at the fair grounds, Private Wheeler of the Q. M. corps, Base Hospital, won first place in the broad jump and tied for third place in the running high jump.

### PONCHO PASSES OUT.

Heretofore there has been no Uniform Regulation providing a standard raincoat for officers, and the War Department has decided that officers may purchase and wear the garment adopted as a standard raincoat for enlisted men, which will shortly be available in sufficient quantities for sale to officers. It has been decided to discontinue the issuance of ponchos and that familiar feature of the United States soldier's equipment passes into history. Two types of the raincoat are being manufactured in standard olive drab color. The garment for dismounted troops is several inches shorter than that provided for Cavalry and other mounted detachments. At present raincoats for dismounted troops only are being issued as the production of the coat for mounted troops has not been sufficient to commence issue; but it will be only a short time before there will be an ample supply for every branch of the Service. The price of the coat for dismounted troops when sold to officers will be approximately \$5.50; the price for the mounted troops when sold to officers will be approximately \$6.75. The new style coat when folded will take up very little more room than is required for the poncho, and it is believed by the officers of the General Staff that soldiers wearing rain coats will be able to handle their pieces with greater ease than was possible when they were wearing the old poncho.

### LITTER TEAM WINS.

Honors also went to the Base Hospital in the litter bearers' race; Greene, Gilroy and MacMahon winning first place in 25 1-5 seconds.

These were the only men who showed enough interest to enter these events and they are to be complimented on their excellent showing. 11 more men had tried we might have had some more victories to boast of. There is good material here and it is hoped that in the future more will try.

### SAME WITH NO. 54.

And now comes Col. Raymond F. Bacon, of the Ordnance Department of the Army, and adds a new slogan to the national list.

"Gas will win the war," he says, meaning a much more deadly vapor than the hot air which usually surrounds a state or national capital.

Just a few days ago we were told: "Posters will win the war."

Which reminds me I met an old friend of mine, a fighting colonel in the Marine Corps, a few days ago, and I asked him when he was "going over."

"Never, I guess," he replied somewhat dolefully.

"How's that?" I asked in surprise, knowing he stood high in his profession.

"Why, you've heard all about it," he explained. "You know that food will win the war, that ships will win the war, that airplanes will win the war, that the Red Cross will win the war, that the Y. M. C. A. will win the war—everything is going to win the war for us—so the departments have decided not to send over any more soldiers or sailors."

### OH! DOC!

A surgeon was momentarily dazed, recently while making his rounds in one of the wards, by a soldier who had recently been operated on. The surgeon was passing his bed when the soldier querulously inquired, "ay, doctor, when one doctor doctors another doctor, does the doctor doing the doctoring doctor the other doctor the way the other doctor wants to be doctored? Or does the doctor doing the doctoring doctor the other doctor like the doctor doing the doctoring wants to doctor him?"

By "S. C. D. GOLDBRICK."

Two lawyers before a country justice recently got into a wrangle. At last one of the disputants, losing control of his temper, exclaimed to his opponent: "Jim Rogers, you are the biggest jackass I ever set eyes upon!"

The justice pounded the desk and called loudly: "Order! Order! You seem to forget that I am in the room."