

"THE BARRACKS WHEEZE"

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You may
Rest Assured
That the world
Will be safe for
Democracy
After the war
When
You see
Two
Private soldiers
Taking
Turns
At
Scrubbing
Each other's
Racks
Under
The
Barrack Showers.

The fellow who used to carry a
finger-nail file in his upper left-hand
vest pocket now uses both hands
when he eats his meat.

IF THE MEDICAL CORP EVER
HAS ANY PART IN DEFEATING
THE HUN IT WILL BE DONE
WITH ADHESIVE PLASTER.

AN EXCERPT FROM THE NAR-
RATIVE OF AN AMBULANCE
MAN'S WORK "OVER THERE"
FOLLOWS: "AND GALLANTLY
HE DASHED OVER THE TOP, CAR-
RYING A ROLL OF GAUZE BAN-
DAGE IN ONE HAND AND A PAIR
OF ARTERY FORCEPS IN THE
OTHER."

A PRIVATE WAS SEATED ON A
BUNK MAKING A VALIANT EFF-
ORT TO KEEP AWAKE WHILE
THE LIEUTENANT INSTRUCTOR
OF THE FIELD HOSPITAL UNIT
CONDUCTED THE CLASS.

"AND WHAT IS THE GREATER
OR LESSER CIRCULATION?" THE
OFFICER ASKED.

THE SOLDIER ROUSED.
"BEFORE AND AFTER PAY-
DAY," HE ANSWERED.

The next day he received his cor-
poral's warrant.

It's
A pretty
Safe bet that
The doughboy
Who don't know
The exact
Number of stars
In the flag
And can't even
Carry the tune
Of the National Anthem
Will shore
More bulls-eyes
On his score card
After a turn
On the range
Than
The bird who
Is Always
Screaming about
The
"Glorious"
Land of the Free.

"WANT AN EVENING PAPER?"
YELLED THE CAMP NEWSIE.
"IF IT'S ALL THE SAME TO
YOU," REPLIED THE ENLISTED
MAN, "I'LL TAKE AN ICE-CREAM
CONE."

It's sort of unusual that those in the
army have quit the use of military
hair brushes.

The War Department has ordered
that all hair be cut short.

Just another casualty.

AND ALL THIS WITH BEDROOM
SLIPPERS AND TALCUM POWDER
LISTED UNDER THE HEADING:
"LOST IN ACTION."

IT'S PRETTY HARD THESE
DAYS, EVEN FOR A MOVIE
STAR, TO GET MORE PUBLICITY
THAN A CHAMPION RIVETER.

Emil, another private, said he no longer
believed in a double standard of floral-
s. He lets his mother pick her own
flowers and the girl goes without.

FOR OVERSEAS SERVICE HE IS
CREDITED WITH AN "EXCEL-
LENT" CHARACTER ON HIS SER-
VICE RECORD.

THUS DOES THE STANDARD OF
MORALITY INCREASE BY LEAPS,
BOUNDS AND SHIPLOADS.

Slogan for the aviation:
"Eat, drink and be merry today,
for tomorrow you may fly."

ABOUT THE ONLY ORNAMENTS
SOME FELLOWS WEAR IN THIS
ARMY ARE THE RINGS OF DIRT
AROUND THEIR NECKS.

One Year Ago General John J. Pershing

arrived in France as the
vanguard of America's Army of Freedom. This pho-
tograph shows him descending a gang plank leading
to French soil. It represents an incident that thrilled
the world, for it was the first time that an American
army had been sent to Europe. Soon after his arrival
in France General Pershing went to the tomb of
Lafayette and, with a note of reverence in his voice,
uttered the words that won the heart of France,
"Lafayette, we are here."



**FOSDICK NOW IN FRANCE
TO CO-ORDINATE WORK OF
WELFARE ORGANIZATION**

Raymond B. Fosdick, Chairman of
the War and Navy Departments' Com-
missions on Training Camp Activities,
is visiting the billets and front-line
trenches occupied by the American
soldiers in France. Mr. Fosdick was
asked by Secretary of War Baker to
make a study of the recreational and
educational facilities afforded the
American soldiers who are fighting
abroad with a view to co-ordinating
the work of the private welfare or-
ganizations already in the field under
Government supervision, according to
announcement in Washington.

Before he left for the actual firing
line, Mr. Fosdick had a conference
with General Pershing in which the
latter expressed the view that non-
military organizations serving the in-
terests of our soldiers Over There
should be co-ordinated. This, he said,
would prevent any duplication of en-
deavor on the part of the private wel-
fare organizations and would reduce
greatly the non-combatant personnel
of the army.

A number of organizations as well
as private individuals have offered
the Commissions large sums of money
to promote educational and recrea-
tional activities among the troops in
France. Mr. Fosdick is determining
where these funds can best be ex-
pended.

Belgians Challenge

There was a time—and not so
many years ago, either—when a popu-
lar outdoor pastime in many sections
of the country was to watch a game
of baseball played by students of sun-
dry Chinese universities. One could
imagine today a team of Celestials
challenging the Giants, Phillies, Red
Sox or Senators to a game of the na-
tional pastime, but who at the pre-
sent time can imagine a team of eleven
husky sons of Belgium challenging
any soccer team in the United States
to a test of prowess.

Yet such a thing occurred. Walter
Camp, Chairman of the athletic de-
partment of the Navy's Commission
on Training Camp Activities, has re-
ceived such a challenge from Lieuten-
ant Gaston Hubin, of the Belgian
Army. Lieutenant Hubin is captain
of the Belgian soccer team, and in his
challenge he expresses a willingness
to have his heroes meet any team in
the United States. He is willing to
have his men play in the large cities
of the country and the various army
and navy camps, and is particularly
anxious that the proceeds of the
matches be devoted to war relief.

Maccabe Chosen

Joseph Maccabe, former President
of the A. A. U., and a widely known
sportsman, has been selected to be
director of athletics at Camp Las
Casas, San Juan, Porto Rico. His
work will be part of an extensive re-
creational and educational program
formulated by the War Department's
Commission on Training Camp Activi-
ties. He will leave at once to assume
his duties.

Mr. Maccabe is an old-timer in the
world of sport. He is affiliated with
the N. E. A. A. U., Boston Athletic
Association, American Olympic Games
Committee, Olympic Club, of San
Francisco, London Athletic Club and
a number of French athletic clubs.
He was chairman for many years of
the Boston Municipal Gymnasium and
Baths, and also represented the United
States at the Olympiads at Ath-
ens, London and Stockholm.

PERSHING TO DECIDE

Announcement has been made by
the War Department that all recom-
mendations for awards of the Medal
of Honor, Distinguished Service
Medal and Distinguished Service
Cross are to be made by General
Pershing, through the divisional com-
manders with the American Expedi-
tionary Forces. When possible the
bestowal of awards will be accom-
panied by a formal review with not
less than one battalion participating.

The Medal of Honor will be award-
ed only to American officers and en-
listed men for gallantry in action,
while the Distinguished Service
Cross may be awarded to officers and
enlisted men of the Allied forces.

The following tests will be applied
in all cases recommended for the
Medal of Honor:

"Men who have performed in ac-
tion deeds of most distinguished per-
sonal bravery and self sacrifice. (b)
Above and beyond all call of duty;
(c) So conspicuous as clearly to dis-
tinguish them for gallantry and in-
trepidity above their comrades; (d)
Which involve risk of life or the per-
formance of more than ordinary har-
dardous service, and (e) The omission
of which would not justly subject the
person to censure as for shortcoming
or failure in the performance of his
duty."

"HIGH-CLASS" MOVIES

The problem of how to amuse the
wounded or otherwise disabled sol-
diers who are unable to sit up has
been solved in a simple manner by
the Y. M. C. A. at the base hospitals
in the camps in France. Portable
motion picture machines are so sta-
tioned that the projections appear on
the ceiling, and all the patient lying
on his back need do is to look up.
The diverting pictures which take
the minds of the patients off their
own ailments have proved to be great
aids in hastening the healing process.

WILSON BRIDGE OPENS JULY 14

On July 14, the anniversary of the
Fall of the Bastille, a new bridge,
which has been given the name of
President Wilson, will be opened by
the mayor of Lyons, France. The
Wilson Bridge, which has been built
since the war began in 1914, parallels
one which has borne the name of
Lafayette Bridge for more than a
century.

AN EXPLANATION

The pretzel is the national flower
of Germany. This accounts for its
crookedness.