

SPEEDY RUNNERS NORTH OF OURCQ RACE WITH DEATH

Wearers of Red Brassard Carry Tidings of Battle as Hun Goes Back

LIAISON WELL PRESERVED

Men Cross Fire-Swept Areas With Messages That Mean Defeat or Victory for Comrades

They had been pats together out in Council Bluffs—Al Boyesen and Billy Shupp—and they were together in Company I when their regiment sailed from America last fall. Because they were young and slim and could run like the wind, they were chosen as runners, and as runners they were together on the greatest day and hour of their lives.

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE, DOUGHBOYS?



This Ridge West of Château-Thierry Was the Infantry's Objective, and Having Reached It, They Are Awaiting Orders. [Signal Corps Photo.]

MUMPS LEADS IN DISEASES THAT HIT 131,075 IN FRANCE

But Whole Army Loses Less Than Three Per Cent of Working Time

DISEASE KILLS ONLY 923

Tuberculosis Scores Low, Trench Foot Near Bottom, Measles Almost Last

This was a pretty healthy Army during its first year in France. Up to June it might have, with all the people in it, lost 62,714,000 days' work through being sick in hospital or in quarters. But it didn't come anywhere near that; it lost only 1,481,000 days through sickness—or, to be kinder like and exact, it lost only 2,377 per cent of its working time.

As for the individual diseases, mumps—good old cheek-pulling, childhood haunting mumps—was the worst offender, taking more toll of the A.E.F. than any other malady. Bronchitis was the second highest, and the venereal complaints came in a bad third.

Other Itches in Toll, Too

Going in order, down the list, the following ailments took their toll, beginning with the eleventh, hepatitis. The so-called bowel-group (enteritis, colitis, gastritis); bronchial pneumonia; scarletina; the five diphtheria cases; and diphtheria brings them in at this point; pleurisy; skin diseases; hemorrhoids; flat feet; valvular distention of the heart; diphtheria and the diphtheria carriers; heart diseases other than the valvular troubles; mental diseases; scabies.

CANNED LAIT IS FIXER

IF YOUR SERVICE RECORD IS LOST, AND IF SEARCH AT THE CENTRAL RECORDS OFFICE, NEAR TOURS, FAILS TO BRING IT TO LIGHT, THEN YOU ARE NOT CALLED ON TO LOOK ANY FURTHER FOR IT—OR RATHER, YOUR C.O. ISN'T CALLED ON TO. GET A NEW ONE.

COLLAR OVER COLLAR

If you want to, you can wear the collar of your O.I. shirt turned down outside the collar of your blouse. But if you do, you are directed in G.O. 122 to wear ornaments in your shirt collar just as you have been wearing them in your blouse collar.

CROSS OF LEGION FOR GEN. PERSHING

Gen. Foch Now Marshal of France, Gen. Petain Is Given Decoration

In the hour of Allied victory, embracing the greatest Allied advance since the First Battle of the Marne, General Pershing has been made a Marshal of France. General Pershing has been given the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor, the most distinguished grade of honor France has to bestow, and General Pershing has received the Médaille Militaire.

Band Plays "Marsellaise"

The sides of the square were lined with French and American troops, and as President Poincaré took his place facing General Pershing, the American band struck up "La Marsellaise." As the General's hand slipped down from the salute, the President said he was especially pleased "to seize this opportunity of thanking General Pershing and the brave Army under his orders for the very gallant work they did during past weeks on the field of battle."

56,000,000 SOCKS IN UNCLE'S WAR OUTFIT

Ten Million Breeches Also Figure in Bill for Army to April 1

Figures have been published by the War Department showing that Uncle Sam has purchased uniform equipment alone up to April 1, in the following large quantities: 55,058,000 woollen socks, 10,507,000 woollen breeches, 8,000,000 woollen coats, 5,377,000 overcoats, 1,337,000 puttees, 191,000 overseas caps.

DOUGHBOYS TURN ARTILLERY RACE INTO MARATHON

Batteries Are Adjusted Just in Time to Get Move On Orders

NO REST CURE FOR THEM

Guns Decline to Grow Downturned When Expected Relief Turns to "On Ahead"

There are any number of Artillerymen in this latest forward rush who have the satisfaction of knowing their guns have put many a Hun out of action for the rest of the war—and then some.

Always on the Go

"Move up? It seems to me I've traveled half way round the world. I've counted at least two dozen times in these last six days when I was all set and ready, only to hear each time that the doughboy had once more run the hocks out of range. So here I am, all dressed up, with nobody to kill. Why couldn't they get a whole regiment of Hun if they'd only let me shoot. If it keeps on this way much longer, I'll have my guns parked outside of Berlin without a shot fired."

The Luckier Ones

There were many of these, but there were others who were luckier. One battery executive had just received orders to get under way again after he had been firing steadily for half an hour. His guns had managed to keep well in range, and as he had advanced, knowing his targets, he knew that range had been well handled.

President Tells Senators Women's Voting Would Aid World Morale

AMERICA, Aug. 8.—(By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPES) President Wilson today told the Senate that the passage of a bill to give women the right to vote would aid the world's morale.

BIG WAR PROFITS TAX FAVORED BY ADMINISTRATION

House Plan for Revenue on Luxuries Alone Would Raise Billion

FOR GRAND UNIFIED ARMY

Guard, Nationals and Regulars May Be Merged When Congress Reassembles

Army of at Least 5,000,000

It is also understood that the National Guard, the National Army and the Regular Army are to be merged into one grand unified army. While no specific figures are given officially, it is understood that the United States is aiming at an Army of at least 5,000,000 as fast as we can get and handle it.

OLD PARTIES GIVING SUFFRAGE GLAD HAND

AMERICA, Aug. 8.—(By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPES) The Administration has taken a hand in endeavoring to overcome the remaining opposition of two or three senatorial votes that hitherto have blocked the passage of the Federal amendment through Congress.

NOT SO MUCH MUD WHEN WINTER COMES

Ballasted Roadways Take Place of Slim Tracks—Wells Being Bored

AMERICA, Aug. 8.—(By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPES) The Army is now taking time by the forelock, plans are already being carried out to make all permanent camps in the A.E.F. comfortable for next winter.

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Succession of Nimble Leaps

The German withdrawal from the Marne to the valley of the Aisne was made in a succession of nimble leaps backward, his yielding up of each defensive line following always after the most deadly fighting, while each retreat was protected by determined machine gun rearguards. But though his retreat was never, in any large sense, disorderly, the Allied pressure was so unrelenting that, with the stretched rears left at his command, he did not have time to destroy, let alone to carry off, all the immense quantities of ammunition and other costly material he had been so laboriously assembling for the offensive which he had built such high hopes.

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PAY BOOKS OCTOBER 1

The pay book, which this newspaper forecast in its issue of June 7, has come.

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