

IF WE'D ONLY THOUGHT OF IT

-By WALLGREN

WHAT A GRAND BUNCH OF SOUVENIRS WE COULD HAVE BROUGHT HOME WITH US INSTEAD OF ONLY A GUS OF MEMORIES AND STORIES THAT ALMOST EVERYONE DOUBTS!

WHY DIDN'T I THINK OF THAT BEFORE?

THE CELL-WINDOW OF THE FIRST BRIG, YOU WERE IN.

THE FIRST SPUD YOU EVER PEELED ON K. P.

THE BEST SOUVENIR.

THE CHEVRON OF THE FIRST 'TOP' TO BALL YOU OUT.

YOUR FIRST OVER-SEA TAP (YOU COULD KEEP IT IN THE CELLAR).

YOUR FIRST MESS OF ARMY SLUM-OR-GOLD FISH.

THAT FIRST XMAS PACKAGE FROM HOME.

YOUR FIRST PASS - (THE TIME YOU GOT A C.M. FOR GOING A.W.O.L.) P.S. - YEH, AND THAT WAS LONG BEFORE THEY ORGANIZED THE LABOR BATTALIONS.

THE HORSE CLIPPERS OF THE COMPANY BARBER WHO GAVE YOU YOUR FIRST HAIR-CUT.

THE FIRST SHELL THAT ALMOST KNOCKED YOU FOR A ROW.

THE FIRST BOTTLE OF THE VIN ROUGE YOU TACKLED.

YOUR FIRST FRANCO - (WE DON'T MEAN YOUR FIRST PAY - YOU HAD TO WAIT TOO LONG FOR THAT - IN FACT YOU MIGHT BE WAITING YET.)

YOUR FIRST COOTIE.

YOUR (VERY) FIRST BOX OF ITCH CURE.

THE BUGLE THAT SOUNDED YOUR FIRST REVELLE IN FRANCE.

YOUR FIRST 'BUDDIE' AND BUNKIE OVER HERE.

YOUR FIRST STABLE DETAIL.

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RULES GOVERNING PENTATHLON ARE STATED BY G.H.Q.

Open to All Enlisted Men of A.E.F.—Contest Ends on May 15

Rules under which the all-point company championship will be conducted throughout the A.E.F. have been announced by G.H.Q. The contest will be a pentathlon embracing five events, the 100 yard dash, 880 yard run, standing broad jump, pull-up and 12½ pound shell-put. All enlisted men of the various companies are eligible to compete. They will wear the following regulation uniform: O.D. web belt, woolen breeches and shirt, roll puttee leggings and regulation shoes, socks and underwear.

The course for the 100-yard dash will be measured off on a road in the vicinity of the camp, care being taken to select a level stretch with no turns. Men may run individually or in competition, as seems most desirable to the divisional athletic officer, and special care will be taken to time each man accurately.

In the 880-yard run the course will be measured off on a road convenient to camp, a stretch being selected as level as possible and with not more than one moderate curve.

Standing Broad Jump

No weight or artificial aid will be allowed in the standing broad jump. The scratch line will be a joint eight inches wide set flush in the ground. Strapping the scratch so as to mark the ground in an attempt will not be counted as a jump but will count as a trial. Each competitor will be allowed three trials and will be credited with the best of all his jumps. The measurement will be from the outer edge of the foot to the nearest break of ground made by any part of his person.

Putting the shell will be from the shoulder with one hand only and during the attempt the shell must not pass behind nor below the shoulder. It will be put from a seven foot circle. Four feet of the circumference of the circle will be a toe board four inches in height. The circle will be divided into halves by a horizontal line through the center. Each competitor will be allowed three puts and will be credited with the best one of the three. Measurement of the put will be determined by the zone furthest from the circle in which the shell first breaks ground.

Letting go of a shell in an attempt to put, touching the ground outside of the circle, touching the ground while the shell is in the competitor's hand, and touching the ground forward of the half front of the circle with any portion of the body before the trial is over will be counted as foul puts. Competitors are warned to remain in the circle after putting until their attempts have been marked by the officials.

The Pull-Up

The pull-up bar will be placed at such a height from the ground that when hanging from it with arms straight and body extended the competitor will clear the ground. In scoring the number of times a competitor chins the bar, a completed pull-up will be recorded only when the body is lowered to the full extent of the arms raised so that the chin appears above the bar. Only one trial will be allowed each contestant and only the number of fully completed pull-ups recorded.

Attendance and performance will both be taken into consideration in the scoring. Men actually absent on detached service will not be counted as present, but the spots they will be staged on two consecutive days in order that any men on special duty may compete. In order to encourage men to take good care of themselves, keep off the report and hold themselves fit for the competition, men sick in quarters or hospital will be counted present and competing, as will men absent without leave and men in confinement. The fighting efficiency of a company depends upon its training and the number of physically fit men it takes into the firing line.

Scoring tables will be furnished the various athletic officers and the winner of the competition will be the company obtaining the best total score in all five events. In case two or more companies are tied with the same record, for any one event, all of those companies will receive the same number of points, corresponding to the place for which they are tied.

The pentathlon may be run off at any time under proper supervision of division, or similar unit, athletic officer, but must be completed by May 15.

GOOD BOUTS CARDED AT BAR-SUR-AUBE

Battling Crane and Kid Silverman Fight Six Round Draw

Six rattling good bouts featured the mill show at First Army Headquarters at Bar-sur-Aube Saturday night, the main attraction, a six-rounder, bringing on Battling Crane, of the M.P.'s, and Kid Silverman, of the 2nd Cavalry, and ending with honors even. This was a ripper from the opening gong, with both boys swinging for the old K.O., and neither landing.

Silverman did the majority of the leading, but was held even by Crane's counter work. The big M.P. showed a lot of clever footwork, but was not able to offset the Cavalryman's aggressiveness. The men will more than likely be rematched at an early date for a ten-round bout.

The opening gong brought on Kid Gibson, of Troop A, Headquarters Battalion, and Young Trubull, of the 5th Engineers. Gibson looked good in the getaway stanza, but two right crosses to the jaw ended his career early in the second frame. It was certainly an slow music.

In the next mill Kid Britt, of Troop A, and Young Kelly, of the Engineers, swapped punches. Kelly was handed the decision after four fifty rounds, but it was announced after the affair that Britt broke his hand in the first frame. Kelly was by far the cleaner boy of the two, Britt butting several times.

Goldstein Outpoints Young Jordan

The third session saw the best looking boy of the evening step into the ring in Young Goldstein of the 53rd Pioneer Infantry. Goldstein easily outpointed Young Jordan, of Troop C, Headquarters Battalion, in a six-frame go.

A rather serious mishap broke up two bouts. Two Smith boys, Gumbout and Sammy, were booked from Chaumont, but their car ran afoul of a tree and turned turtle, injuring a couple of officers and causing Sammy Smith to hike into Bar-sur-Aube just in time to clinch his lights and take a licking from Young Ross, of the 53rd Pioneers. Ross looked like a million dollars in this round, and Smith saw the handwriting on the wall, taking a rest in the fifth stanza.

Kid Williams and Young Morency staged a nice four-round exhibition scrap. Williams lashing the honors without extending himself to any great extent.

Lieut. Thomas S. Brady, of the Engineers, refereed the bouts and showed a good knowledge of the ring. The bouts were staged by the First Army Athletic Association, with Pvt. Sydney Isaacs as matchmaker and announcer. He is open to hear from all boxers with an A.E.F. for bouts on Saturday nights.

ENGLISH RULES MAY GOVERN U.S. BOXING

Army, Navy and Civilian Fight Board Said to Favor Change

Boxing in the United States will be patterned after the manner of conducting the sport in London, according to plans of the Army, Navy and Civilian Board of Boxing Control, recently incorporated at Albany, N. Y.

There has been considerable criticism of the English system by American boxers, especially those who took part in the international tournament at Albert Hall, but some of the old-timers are strong for the English rules.

GERMANS WORRIED OVER TANK INVASION

Motorized Artillery Sets Rhine Villages Agog With Rumor

The Americans are mobilizing along the Rhine hundreds of small tanks for the purpose of suddenly invading Germany, according to a rumor that has spread from the inhabitants beyond No Man's Land to throughout the area of the American Army of Occupation. The rumor has also penetrated into interior Germany and is causing the inhabitants beyond No Man's Land to keep a sharp lookout toward the frontier.

The supposed tanks are nothing more than small caterpillar tractors that have replaced artillery horses. The tractors are neatly camouflaged and resemble small tanks. The fact that hundreds of them are to be seen and heard daily throughout the area only alarms the Germans the more, for they cannot understand why an expensive thing like a tractor should replace an ordinary horse.

The Field Artillery units with the Army of Occupation are being motorized as fast as tanks can be sent into Germany. Some of the units were already motorized when the Army marched to the Rhine, while others moved in with horse power. Many of the horses which long ago did their bit are being relieved from duty.

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13 BASE HOSPITALS TO START HOME SOON

190,888 Patients A. E. F.'S Largest Total Any One Week

The departure this week for the United States of Base Hospitals Nos. 2 and 18 and the designation of 13 other base hospitals of the A.E.F. for early embarkation emphasizes the falling off in the number of sick and wounded patients since the signing of the armistice. The base hospital units which are under orders to return to the States are: No. 2, Rouen; No. 5, Boulogne; No. 10, Le Tréport; Nos. 29 and 33, London; No. 34, Nantes; No. 62, Marseilles; No. 72, Mesves; No. 92, Kershoun; No. 94, Evreux; No. 96, Beauve, and Nos. 105 and 112, Nerbonne.

Late figures given out by the Chief Surgeon's Office show that the greatest number of A.E.F. patients in base and camp hospitals and convalescent camps in France and England was in the week ending November 7, 1918, when a total of 190,888 beds were occupied by sick and wounded. Of these beds, 29,778 were classed as emergency beds, mostly under tentage. On the day the armistice was signed, November 11, A.E.F. hospitals and convalescent camps could have provided a total of 285,232 normal and emergency beds. Plans would have provided eventually 423,722 normal beds, with an emergency expansion up to 541,000 beds.

On November 11 there were in operation 153 base hospitals, 66 camp hospitals, and 12 convalescent camps. On January 23 the number of patients in base and camp hospitals and convalescent camps had fallen to 97,458, of whom 18,214 were Class A men awaiting evacuation. To date the following A.E.F. hospitals have been abandoned: 69 base, 34 camp, 11 evacuation, 12 mobile.

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What Men Throw Up in the Air

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"They've lost their heads!" commented one man.

"Look again, Reginald," said the other man, "so far as I can see they've only lost their hats."

The news on that bulletin-board read: "German Surrender!" The men in that crowd were throwing their hats up in the air.

You may think that men don't value their headgear very highly, when they act this way. But men only throw their hats up in the air when something so big has happened that they have to show how great they feel.

They just have to do something they seldom do and be extravagant about it. Up go their hats.

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