

HOLLAND OPENS ITS ARMS TO YANKS AT LATEST BASE PORT 250 Officers and Men Busy Bossing Job on Docks at Rotterdam

LANGUAGE? JUST TRY IT

Lots of Natives Speak English, However, and They Love Our Cigarettes

The A.E.F.'s practical vocabulary, after a year or more of causticities in the land of "dites, garcon," and "sil vous plait," not to speak of a few dashes of Italian, Russian and German, is in for another expansion.

"Oui, m'sieu" and "bon soir, mademoiselle" aren't much assistance or consolation to the latest bunch of O.D. soldiers who have arrived in a land where a sign reading "Niet Inloeken" may be—and sometimes is—interpreted to mean merely "No Smoking."

However, the Americans are enjoying their new field of endeavor, Holland, and have found their host polite and obliging, somewhat curious at the sight of an American uniform and—shh—possessed of a familiar fondness for American cigarettes.

Leaving all that with nothing deadlier than a reserve ration of bully-beef and hard-tack, the American E.R. has entered Holland and has extended its operations to Rotterdam.

With a picked personnel of 230 men, who have all seen service in France, and a score of officers, Rotterdam has become the seat of a new S.O.S. for the Army of Occupation. Within the next ten days the detachment will start shipping supplies up the Rhine for the American troops now stationed in Germany.

Stripped of her guns, but proudly flying Old Glory, the U.S.S. Carozel nosed into Rotterdam harbor last week, bringing from St. Nazaire all that was needed for the comfort and establishment of the new S.O.S. While the ship was being unloaded by Dutch civilians, the Americans were busy taking in the sights of Rotterdam and acquainting themselves to the habits and customs of the Hollanders.

Barracks on Docks Due to a quarantine which was imposed upon them because of an epidemic of typhus fever in the city, the Americans found the first few days dragging while temporarily quartered in Lohkaven Docks in a barracks previously used to quarter British prisoners of war during their internment in Holland.

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MAJOR CASUALTIES OF A.E.F. DIVISIONS

List Includes Killed, Died of Wounds, Missing and Prisoners

The following tabulation, showing the major casualties of 46 of the 39 combat divisions of the A.E.F., was compiled from reports by the War Department at Washington to a date in January.

It is 95 per cent complete. A final revision of the tables will increase the total of those killed in action, due to the verification of deaths by eye-witnesses and direct reports of missing, in action, in action is being materially decreased.

Field Signal Battalions, ambulance companies, trains and other attached units of divisions are not included.

The tabulation of major casualties in the 46 combat divisions of the A.E.F. will be printed in a later issue.

Total Casualties of Divisions

Table with columns: Division, Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists divisions 1 through 46.

First Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 1st Division.

Second Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 2nd Division.

Third Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 3rd Division.

Fourth Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 4th Division.

Fifth Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 5th Division.

Sixth Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 6th Division.

A.E.F. SHOP TALK

A 24-hours-a-day mess for officers and men has been started at the Embarcadere Camp at Bordeaux, France, and the first arrivals were arriving at the camp at all hours, and besides being tired, were hungry as well, so the mess was opened.

Drivers of all motor vehicles in the A.E.F. will be held responsible in all cases of theft, either of the vehicle itself or of accessories, says G.O. 8, which repeats rules intended to reduce theft.

Closer co-operation of town majors in bill-letting areas with the local French officials in the matter of regulating the prices of foodstuffs and articles in stores is the subject of Bulletin 17, G.H.Q.

When relatives of members of the A.E.F. in writing letters to them from the United States to forward the usual "American E.F." address formalities, and give only the address of the A.E.F. and in order that the letters, postage at five cents an ounce instead of the domestic three-cent letter rate, according to a Post Office Department announcement.

A unique guard of honor was formed at a casual camp recently when, on the occasion of a lieutenant's being decorated with the D.S.C., ten companies of officers and two companies of enlisted men stood at attention during the ceremony.

The Third Army is getting more than 1,800 new motor trucks, including 1,300 Liberty trucks. The personnel of nearly every supply outfit in the Army of Occupation has been drawn on to bring the cars up from the S.O.S. Many of the machines are bringing motorcycles with them.

The Knights of Columbus have opened three additional bath houses in Coblenz and immediate vicinity, with a capacity of 1,200 soldiers daily.

A new laundry has been opened by the Salvage Service at Base Section No. 2 which has been turning out 60,000 garments a day. Besides taking care of all the laundry from the Beau Desert hospital center, it also does the work for the various salvage depots in the base.

Members of the A.E.F. passing through Paris and not on leave status or on official business requiring their presence in the city must take the next train for their destination, according to an order by the commanding general of the district.

Under a recent agreement, the French Government is waiving all its claims against the A.E.F. for damages to French State property involving sums less than 2,000 francs.

G.O. 36, G.H.Q., prohibits hunting of wild game in France or the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg by officers and enlisted men, whether they are on duty or leave status.

Seventh Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 7th Division.

Twenty-Sixth Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 26th Division.

Twenty-Seventh Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 27th Division.

Twenty-Eighth Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 28th Division.

Twenty-Ninth Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 29th Division.

Thirtieth Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 30th Division.

Thirty-Second Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 32nd Division.

Thirty-Third Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 33rd Division.

Thirty-Fifth Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 35th Division.

Thirty-Sixth Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 36th Division.

Thirty-Seventh Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 37th Division.

Thirty-Eighth Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 38th Division.

Thirty-Ninth Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 39th Division.

Fortieth Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 40th Division.

Forty-First Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 41st Division.

Forty-Second Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 42nd Division.

Forty-Third Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 43rd Division.

Forty-Fourth Division

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Forty-Fifth Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 45th Division.

Forty-Sixth Division

Table with columns: Killed in action, Died of wounds, Missing in action, Prisoners, Total. Lists units of the 46th Division.

AMERICAN GIRLS, CALM YOUR FEARS

Only About 4,000 of Our 2,000,000 Got Married on This Side

Despite the rumors that report says are reaching America to the effect that the A.E.F. will come back with an extra issue, per man, of wife, one blond (or brunette, as the case may be), and to his equipment behind them insist that not many more than 4,000 American soldiers have signed up for life with their feminine Allies.

Localities like Bordeaux, where there have been a large number of permanently stationed troops, naturally yield the largest number of cupid's casualties. Over 1,000 Franco-American alliances are estimated in that neighborhood.

Love that laughs at locksmiths has a large order on hand in France, for he has to put his disabilities to a severe strain to smile away the complicated French marriage laws that demand, first, an all-wood birth certificate to prove that contracting parties are really present; second, another birth certificate to show that the required number of parents were present; third, permission from necessary relatives or guardians; and, fourth, a 30 days' residence in one place for at least one of the pair.

The process, however, has not phased many members of the A.E.F., who are used to signing slips.

Ways to Hasten Hymen

It is needless to say that when the American makes up his mind and Mademoiselle makes up hers, things move. Permission from the C.O. is necessary and certificates from the American consulate that make it possible to waive the consent law on the part of the man move things along.

Sometimes it goes even faster than that. One ingenious field clerk devised a means of evading red tape by making a certificate of baptism due to the trick by affixing to it the censor's stamp. It worked like a charm.

And a lieutenant, emulating Lochinvar (and out of the West), substituted a side-car for the charger, devised a means of love to the marie of Lormont, near Bordeaux, where he was stationed, and did the trick at New Jersey speed, much to the perturbation of friends and relatives.

But these men are the exceptions, and, so far, the transports have not been overcrowded with brides bound for the States under the free passage offer of Uncle Sam.

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A.E.F. AMUSEMENTS

Beyond all doubt the oldest entertainment organization in the A.E.F. is the Silvernall Stock Company, which was putting on shows here when even some of the three-trip men were still lolling around in civilian clothes back home.

The record in speed for theater building was achieved at St. Nazaire recently when the "Black on Leave" company arrived in town at 7 in the morning, scheduled to play there, but only to find that no theater was available.

The steel framework of a Salvation Army hangar was commandeered. A detail of 150 men leveled off the ground, made an orchestra pit, built dressing rooms, arranged a stage. Meanwhile, 200 stoves were carried 3,000 chairs on their backs half a mile to ten trucks which transported them to the new playhouse.

A canteen plays a prominent part in "Die Wacht am Rhein," the musical comedy produced with such success by the 1st Engineers. The show, which has been running since the 1st Division. It is a mechanical canteen, as big as a rooster, and it wears three service stripes to show that it has been on duty for 15 months in the A.E.F.

Mary Lawton's "Yankee Specials" is another one of the O.D. minstrel troupes which make their own costumes. It developed from the C.O. is necessary and certificates from the American consulate that make it possible to waive the consent law on the part of the man move things along.

Depot Labor Company 17 paid its farewell respects to occupation with a minstrel show, "The Mess Kit Rag" (you know the rag) was the theme of the show, and, according to the authors, the whole A.E.F. will soon be whistling it.

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The 35th Division show, "Koman's Minstrels," which closed in Paris Tuesday, has been released for a short tour of the S.O.S. circuit.

The 91st Division show is to tour S.O.S. territory with its "Wild West Roundup," pending departure to the States.

Miss Stella Hoban, who starred in "Love of Mike" in New York a year ago, has formed a musical review unit from Marines at Bordeaux the week of March 17.

The Mars Hospital Symphony Orchestra, which played Tours last week, was assembled by Col. George A. Skinner, commander of the Mars Hospital center. The orchestra will be re-equipped at Mars this week, and next week will start out on an eight-week tour.

A clever little act that has gone big in its own base section is "The Chicago Quintet" from Base Hospital No. 4. Although there are only five men in the cast, they put on a whole evening's entertainment. It has been released from Bordeaux and will open in Le Havre the 24th.

"The Premier Minstrels" will open at Best next week. The show carries 33 men. This will be its first release to the S.O.S.

The 77th Division is putting out a new show, "The Liberty Players," to follow in the footsteps of the successful "Argonne Players." The new show will be released to the S.O.S. circuit and will open in Tours soon.

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