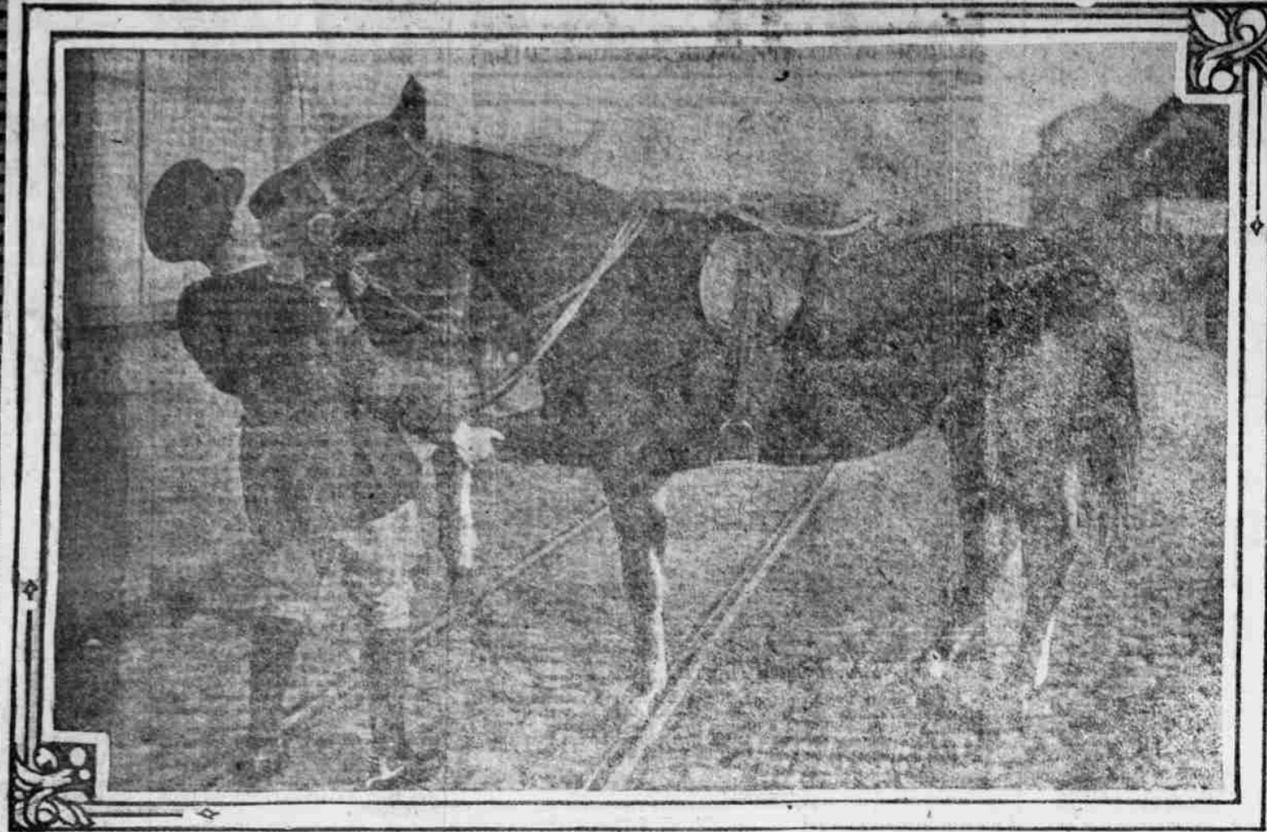


"GOODBY!"—ONE OF THE SADDEST MOMENTS OF DEMOBILIZATION.



It is common knowledge that the British soldier loves his horse as well as himself, and his first thought when a moment of respite comes is almost always for his mount. The natural outcome of this is, of course, that the horses become extraordinarily friendly and devoted to their masters, like the horse in the picture that is shaking hands with his owner, a Canadian staff officer about to leave for home. He brought the animal with him from Canada, and they had been companions until necessity compelled a separation.

War Nurses Seek to Work for Community

Demobilizing nurses and fitting them into the proper branch of civilian service is as important a task as finding jobs for discharged soldiers, and is even more complex, for, although the women continue in their same profession, they no longer desire to be absorbed by the confining fields of private and institutional nursing to which they had been accustomed in pre-war days. Work at the front and in the devastated areas of Europe has shown them the possibility of group and community activity. For these women the Red Cross Bureau of Information for Nurses is suggesting the field of public health nursing.

to relinquish their corps because of exigencies of the war, Miss Waters and all those interested are encouraged by the frame of mind of the returning nurses. "The service," said Miss Waters, "is being widely developed in both rural and urban communities. We are going to show the nation that it is worth while to be healthful and these nurses are coming home anxious to preach the gospel of a clean, careful, disease-preventing country. "Our nurses to-day want not only to cure, but to prevent the need for cure. We are co-operating with all the State, city and county health and education organizations. Through the various Red Cross chapters visiting nurses are being provided in communities where they are needed. "Home hygiene and care of the sick should be part of the education of every woman in the country. Public health nurses are to be the teachers. If the community of itself will not obtain their services, the Red Cross Chapter will find and finance local health bodies to demonstrate their value by their results. "Even a casual thought in the direction of the public health situation of the last year will impress one with the necessity for the widest possible extension of the movement which the Red Cross in co-operation with numerous health bureaus, is fostering. Influenza in 1918 killed nine times as many persons as were killed among the armies of Europe. In the same year approximately 150,000 persons died of tuberculosis. "Most nurses are better equipped for this ser-

vice after having been abroad. The work is urgent and capable persons will be placed almost immediately. Already the Red Cross Bureau has enrolled hundreds. "The Red Cross has its finger on the pulse of the country. It is ready to place nurses where they are needed. It recently appropriated \$300,000 for scholarship funds and an additional \$500,000 loan fund to be applied in behalf of those interested but inexperienced. This work opens up a field offering upward from \$1,500 a year to qualified nurses."

A Boy's Letter.

In Journalism to-day—what with unprejudiced developments throughout the world—there is need of countless correspondents to keep the newspaper reading public informed of the world situation. Sections familiar only to a few thousand people have become of interest over night to millions and in many instances amateur writers have become known throughout the world through the chance of being near some unexpected development of international importance in some obscure segment of the world. All of which leads to the fact that nothing of tremendous importance has happened recently in Holland, N. J. but if anything should happen there the press of the world might appeal to Herbert Hollins, eleven years old,

who recently wrote this informing letter to his sister in New York:—"Dear Sis—Thank you very much for that birthday present it is the best thing I could use and am very glad for that means a \$1.00 more in my savings. Mother gave me a nice new suit, a good pair of school pants, a good leather strap to belt up my books with; Andy gave me a very nice necktie and made me some ice cream, Pop gave me a quarter and I bottle soda, and I forgot, to tell you I had two nice cakes. I earned \$1.50 last week cutting stapes vines and 15 cents for doing work for a doctor and altogether this winter about \$10.00. "Last night was fireman's night they had flowers (cher work) ring the cane, knock down the cuts and you get a cigar one fellow got down three cuts out of four and he got about twenty-five cigars, break the balloon and you get a quarter, ice cream cakes and hot dogs also auto rides. I got 10 cents ice cream, two hot dogs, and a long auto ride. "I was arrested four times for riding on the sidewalk, fine \$7.50, but so far they were only warnings. "Andy and I have certainly got to keep out of the officers way until about January next year. "I went fishing one day caught two "size gummy's, brought them home alive. "Mom says: "What do you want with them? "fish take them home," so I had to go all the way back to the creek and have the pleasure of putting them back again. I bet they were glad to go. "How you are well and Pop and Mom send love, Herb."

A CAT THAT WAS THE MASCOT OF A BIG GUN CREW ON THE WESTERN FRONT.



Cats have proved themselves very useful during the war, and numbers of them have been under fire, both ashore and afloat. In the trenches they rendered inestimable service in the war against the hordes of rats infesting them, and were popular with the men. The cat in the picture was the special pet of the crew of a big gun on the western front and saw much active service with her friends on the fields of Flanders.

SIZE 17 SHOES JUST FIT FEET

PORTLAND, May 7.—Portland has the largest shoe factory in the United States—that is, a factory that makes the largest shoes. It makes 'em for sheepherders in Dutte, Mont. and a farm, or on the range, when he

finds 'em size 17, weight seven pounds, reads needs shoes he merely writes in and from here they go to stenoport are 18 inches. The man in question weighs 7 feet 6 inches and weighs 345 pounds. The shoes now cost him \$15 a pair. A new pair were shipped out to him recently. Head is now too scarce to be cast

NORMAL IS CLOSED AS RESULT OF INFLUENZA

MONMOUTH, May 8.—A number of students at the Oregon Normal school have had mild attacks of the influenza. On recommendation of Dr. McCallon, county health officer, follow-

ing a thorough examination, the school was closed until Monday, May 19. No case is serious and no complications of a serious nature have appeared, but it was deemed wise to take this precaution to forestall and possible epidemic. The directors of the public and high schools have also closed those schools until May 17,

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SPRUCE FROM OREGON GOES INTO PIANOS

DEEDSPORT, May 8.—Spruce wood to make backs for 2750 pianos is being shipped from the Johnson mill at Deedport to a Chicago piano firm. The order is for three carloads of

plano backs. Each car holds 5000 pieces. The wood is 5 1/2 inches long and 3 by 4 inches in size. It is clear spruce. This is the first time that a Southwestern Oregon mill has filled an order for spruce piano backs and it opens a new market for this class of timber which abounds in the lower Umpqua river country.

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