

REST CAMP IS RATED DEADLIER THAN HUNS

Complaint of Conditions at Brest Justified, Says Robert Case.

Fighting at the front was a picnic and a pleasure compared with "resting" at Brest awaiting transportation home, according to Robert Case, of Tigard, who was a sergeant in Battery C, 65th artillery.

"What they charge against Brest as a rest camp is true; it could not have been worse," said Case, who was a student in the University of Oregon before enlisting and who is back on the campus for a short visit with Delta Tau Delta brothers and other friends. "It was a mud hole and a pest hole. Our outfit lost more men there in 18 days than we did in 73 days under fire in the Argonne, St. Mihiel and Verdun."

Brest a Mudhole
"Brest should never have been chosen in the first place. The rainfall here is about 90 inches a year. We had half a day of fair weather while we were there. Tents without floors, no sidewalks, deep mud; inefficient handling of the feeding of the men—all these things counted against the place. When an inspector came around, he was shown a model camp, with sidewalks, drainage and other improvements that made the place liveable; just over the hedge and out of sight were the conditions which caused the death of so many of the men who had survived the war."

"At the front we used to average about 18 men a day at sick call; the second day we were at Brest 90 of our 215 reported sick. I liked it at the front, but not at Brest."

The Germans, according to Case, never did get the range of Battery C of the 65th, owing to the effective work done by the camoufleurs, who hid the positions effectively.

Air Fight is Thrilling
An air battle in which the American downed the German after a thrilling series of loops and dives was described by Case, who tells of the great rush for souvenirs of the fight. After the German crashed to earth the American circled watchfully over him, like a bird of prey, to make sure he was not playing possum. French and American soldiers made for the plane, and soon there was

nothing left of it but the heavy metal parts. All the rest had been split and broken up for souvenirs.

Mr. Case is contemplating returning to the University in the fall to complete his college course.

"DEAD" OREGON MAN WRITES UNIVERSITY

Fills Own Questionnaire For Details of End; Parents Get Sympathy.

It is not often that a man has the opportunity to write out and direct his own funeral arrangements. Roy Johnson, graduate of the University in the class of 1915, reported killed in action on October 6, 1918, has just returned to the University the questionnaire sent to his family to fill out, filled out by himself. He is stationed at Camp Lewis and has been there ever since drafted in June of last year and has never been given the opportunity to get killed in action.

Upon the publishing of Johnson's name in the casualty list the University tried to get in touch with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Johnson, of Gresham, to learn the particulars of his death. No word was received from them nor was the questionnaire returned. Johnson's name was then added to the list of the honored men of the University and was read at the memorial services last Sunday. In the meantime letters of condolence had been sent his family by the University.

On Thursday the questionnaire was returned to the University filled out by Johnson himself. It had been forwarded to him by his parents.

SCIENCE CLUB TO BANQUET

Installation of Newly Elected Members To Be Feature.

Installation of the newly elected honor members of the Science club will be a feature of the annual dinner of that club, which will be given Tuesday evening at 6:15 in the east room of Friendly hall.

Professor R. H. Wheeler will present the paper of the evening. Miss Ada L. Hall, Clyde W. Mason and George W. Taylor are the three new members for whom installation will be held.

Tickets will be sold at 50 cents a plate. Those desiring to attend should give their names and the number of tickets desired to one of the members of the committee, Prof. W. P. Boynton, Prof. E. E. DeCou and Prof. E. L. Packard.

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CHANCES IMPROVING FOR PHI BETA KAPPA

Oregon Working for Honorary Fraternity; Committee Discusses Plans.

A greater thirst for knowledge and a greater interest in student intellectual activity outside the classroom must be stimulated if the University is to get Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary fraternity, and in order to start a movement that would help Oregon's cause, the committee on student free intellectual activity, of which Dr. Warren D. Smith, head of the geology department, is chairman, met in President Campbell's office Thursday afternoon with the heads of the various student organizations.

The question was put before the committee and students with the suggestion that they all be thinking of something that might be done to promote interest.

Must Have High Scholarship

Dr. Smith brought out the fact that Phi Beta Kappa will only come to Oregon when the eastern authorities think that Oregon has a real influence for higher scholarship on the campus. "Although we were refused three years ago," said Dr. Smith, "Oregon is proving gradually that she has. I think we have a chance of getting the chapter here, but we will not know before October."

The Crossroads club for men should help, according to Dr. Smith. Crossroads, meaning where different interests meet, was organized two years ago by Dr. George Rebec, professor of philosophy, who is now in Portland. "It was patterned after the Quadrangle club at the University of Michigan, and is made up of a group of faculty members and honor students, with two students to one faculty member. We don't hesitate to discuss anything. Anything from civilization to the newest Russian government is taken up and the discussion frequently lasts from 7:30 to midnight," said Dr. Smith.

Its membership is made up of eight faculty members and 16 students. The students vote on the faculty to be elected, and the faculty and students meet on a common plane.

Personnel of Committee

The committee, which met Thursday, is made up of the following faculty members: Professors Prescott, Bates, Howe, Parsons, Smith, Allen, Stafford and Sheroff. The following students were present: Marie Badura, president of Scroll and Script; Luceil Morrow, president of Eutaxian; Dorothy Flegel, president of Women's League; Helen Brenton, head of women's debating clubs; Ella Dews, vice president of student body; Herman Lind, president of men's debating clubs; Herald White, president of student body; Douglas Mullarky, editor of Oregon Emerald; Andrew Fish, squire of Crossroads; Helen McDonald and Bess Colman.

DINNEEN TO WORK IN EAST

Now Attending English University While Awaiting Army Release.

Lawrence Dinneen, 1915, who enlisted in Company L, Third Oregon Infantry from Dallas, Oregon, has seen active service in France since March 25, 1918, according to the answer received in the questionnaire returned to Emma Wootton Hall, secretary of military affairs at the University.

He has had experience in training replacements for the first army at Contres, Loir et Cher, France.

At the time the letter was written he expected to receive a furlough within a few days in order to attend an English university. After his release from the army he intends to do newspaper work in New York and later own his own newspaper in Oregon.

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BARRACKS BILL APPROVED

Eugene Merchants Will Be Reimbursed—Trustee Pleased With Economy.

The bill for the University of Oregon barracks has been approved and the Eugene merchants who supplied funds for its construction will be reimbursed in the near future. This was the message brought by A. W. Hobson, trustee and manager of the Student Army Training Corps who visited the University, Thursday evening and Friday morning, according to Karl W. Onthank, secretary to President Campbell.

The economy of the University and the business management in the construction of the building and other affairs connected with the S. A. T. C. were particularly pleasing to Mr. Hobson, who said that in other places the cost of construction of barracks similar to those built at the University cost almost twice the sum used in the erection of this building.

"This bill has been approved and is now on its way," said Mr. Onthank.

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