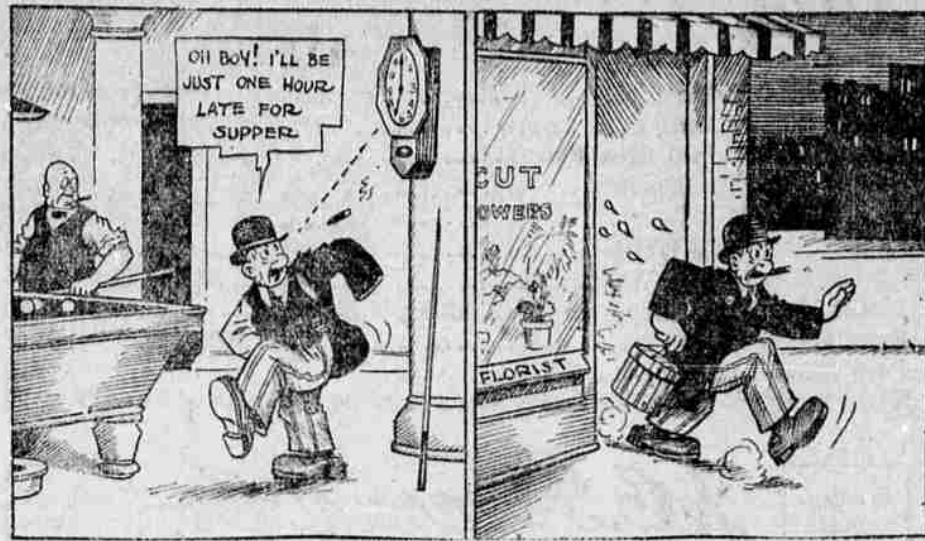


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With the Colors

Sergeant Roy R. Rice, field hospital No. 167, military train No. 117, A. E. F., France, writes to M. D. Donohue, of La Grande, as follows: SOMEWHERE IN GAUL, Feb. 1, 1918.—(Dear "M. D.")—To begin with, please excuse the paper, it is the best I can get; also the penmanship, it is the best I can do under the circumstances. As to the rest of the defects, you will naturally expect them from me. I always dislike to surprise people, and that is one reason I like to write you a letter when I have a chance; you expect the letter and are not surprised at the mistakes.

I received a long letter from you dated some time in October, I believe, and I should have answered it before now, although it did not arrive here until about the first of the year. To tell the truth I have started to answer it a couple of times and did not get finished, which, of course, always means a

surprise to me at all, as I know your reputation as a letter writer, but that is what I call "an honest to God" letter. It began some place, said something and quit. Between the place where it began and quit there was some real news. You expect me to do the same thing; tell something. It's mighty hard to do, if I could always tell just how much would not get by the censor I could come near it. I always like everything I write to get by the censor, not only because I don't like to have him butcher my letters after I get through butchering them but for the good of the service I don't like to crowd the limit. I don't believe a single one of my letters have mixed with the blue pencil or the knife so far, but needless to say, I don't think they contained much news either. I am going to try and tell you a few of the happenings here, so if you notice any lace curtain effect you will know what is the matter.

If you could only know which of the pictures appearing in different American magazines from time to time, to center your gaze on, you would see many things of interest. When the magazines are afterwards sent over here we often find pictures of places we have been and things we have seen. They don't seem half as far away either as they used to a few months ago.

In copies of The Observer which have been sent to members of the company, I have seen letters from several of the boys. The trip over has been described in some of them so I won't try to add anything.

Don't get the idea that we are being poorly treated, for we are not. The life is very different from soldier life in the States, because it is real war times over here. We have seen some real soldiering already and are going to see a lot more of it. The "a-la-mode" variety of soldiering is all over when once you come to France. The impression I want to leave is this, that war times naturally makes the life of the soldier hard, but that United States troops in France are being treated the very best possible under the circumstances and far better than any soldiers from any country were ever treated under similar conditions. Of course there are mistakes made, but they will be corrected from time to time.

When we first landed in France I was sent with non-commissioned officers from other companies to locate quarters for the different units. This detail was in charge of commissioned officers. It was some six or seven days before the unit arrived. The reason for sending out such a detail was that the troops were to be billeted and arrangements had to be made for enough of these quarters to hold the men who would shortly arrive with the different commands. Of course no one knew until the troops land-

ed, exactly how many there would be. Many people are not clear as to what billets are. They are buildings rented from the French people by the government for the use of troops, and consist of dwelling houses, barn lofts, public halls, or buildings of most any kind. These

may be good or bad, all depending on the part of France you are in, or, in other words, what kind of a "shack" you draw.

In making the trip from the port of landing to the place where we were to be quartered, we traveled second class, which is the best that

an enlisted man is allowed in France. The company, coming later, came in box cars and in that way got their first idea of soldiering in France. On the way I saw many British and French soldiers just

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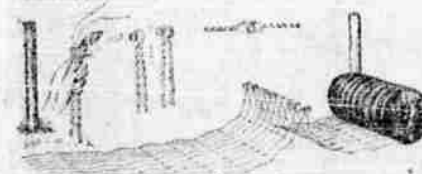
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