

FRENCH WIN PRAISE

Sergeant Wells Tells of Heroism of People of France.

MANY HARDSHIPS BORNE

Former Aero Squadron Member Returns From Abroad With Rheumatism and Urges Every One to Help in Beating Huns.

"If it were possible for the Germans to cut off the right arm of every Frenchman, those same Frenchmen would insist on fighting to the end with their left hands."

Sergeant Wells, who formerly lived in San Francisco, recently returned from France after serving over there with the Fifth and 31st United States Aero Squadrons for more than six months.



Sergeant David Wells. Who is Home After Seeing Active Service in Aero Squadron in France.

months. Through work with the Army in France during a severe winter, rheumatism developed in Mr. Wells' left leg, swelling to such a degree that it finally caused his honorable discharge from the Army on the grounds that he was 75 per cent disabled.

"The French people do not deal so mercifully with them as the Americans do. They do not put them in an internment camp with their friends and feed them three meals a day and give them a spring bed to sleep in. They are put to death just as they deserve to be. Such treatment would soon do away with German propaganda in America."

For that reason Mr. Wells is planning a speaking tour of the United States in the near future, under the supervision of Fred Cameron, who is well known on the Pacific Coast.

Trip Will Be Made. In discussing the tour, Mr. Wells said: "I feel that if each word that I can say will do away with a word of German propaganda in the United States, each one of those words will be as effective in winning the war for the allies as each bullet which hits its mark in the trenches."

"A sailor, upon arriving in France, had in his possession part of a loaf of white bread which was hard and about a week old. He handed a slice of it to a French peasant. It tasted so delicious to him that he thought it was cake rather than stale bread. This is but a minor incident which shows the sufferings of the French."

"The opinion prevails over there that it is impossible for Hindenburg to break through the lines and sever lines of communication between the British and French forces. There is not a doubt about that in the minds of the French people. Their spirit is far greater than the Americans can know or believe and it grows greater with the passing of every hour."

Air Raids Witnessed. Mr. Wells has witnessed several big air raids on Paris. The last one, he says, concluded in a battle in the skies between 25 German machines and 15 French. The "shoot" which is a signal for the people to get in a safe place, was sounded at 11:20 P. M. Thirty-two thousand pounds of explosives were dropped upon the city. The loss of life, according to the French official communique, was 59 and 298 persons were wounded. Considerable property damage was done, and one Hun plane was brought to earth. The "all-clear" signal was sounded at 2:49 A. M.

"America has done a great deal," says Mr. Wells, "but not as much as the French had expected. During all the time I spent in France, I never saw an American airplane. An army of 10,000,000 Americans in the battle fields 'over there' would not be too large."

Sergeant Wells' message to America is that every American capable of making any, even the greatest, sacrifice, should make it at the earliest possible moment.

Mr. Wells will speak at 4:30 o'clock today before the Women's Auxiliary of Company E, 18th Engineers, at a card party to be given at the Portland Hotel.

The Dalles Entertains Masons. THE DALLES, Or., May 9.—(Special.)—One hundred and fifty Masons of The Dalles, Dufur, Wasco and other points were entertained at Masonic Hall here last night by "The Fleck's Shovel Lodge No. 2, Hungrig Gulch Masons."

The membership of the clandestine Masonic order was made up of the 1917 class, which staged the affair. A collection which totaled \$50 was given to the Honor Girls to be presented to the Red Cross.

Read Harley's article, page 8.—Adv.

British War Relief Red Cross Workers Will Meet in Our Auditorium, 4th Floor, Today From 1 to 5. Full Attendance Is Urgently Requested.

Fishing Tackle, Wheel Goods, Baseball Goods, Baby Carriages, on the Fourth Floor—Take Downtown Luncheon in the Tea Room, Fourth Floor—Prompt Service

Mothers' Day—May 12—Greeting Cards, First Floor—Next Sunday will be "Mother's Day" throughout the Nation. We have a splendid assortment of the new framed and unframed, greeting cards at the Stationery Department.—Main Floor.

The Standard Store of the Northwest Olds, Wortman & King Reliable Merchandise—Reliable Methods

Glenwood Butter Special 2-Lb. Square Fourth Floor—Put up expressly for this store. No deliveries except with other purchases in Grocery Dept. Order EARLY. 95c

Practice Economy and Thrift—Save Your 2-3 Stamps

\$37.50 to \$42.50 Women's Suits \$32.49 Wool Serges, Gabardines, Tricotines and Novelty Mixtures



Women's House Dresses At \$1.19 Bargain Circle, First Floor—Good selection of styles—high or low necks, short sleeves, belted waistline. Made up in good quality of checked and striped ginghams and percales.



FRIDAY SPECIAL Silk Hosiery 98c the Pair Black, White, Taupe, Tan, Pink, Sky, Gray, Brown, Bronze

Center Circle, First Floor—Hosiery from one of America's best makers—but on account of slight imperfections, cannot be sold as first quality. Full fashioned, with double lisle heel, toe, sole and garter top. Don't miss this chance to buy good Silk Hosiery at a saving. The pair 98c See Alder Street Window

3 1/2 to 5-Inch Cluny Laces At 29c

Main Floor—Just such Laces as are most in demand for brisseries, fancywork and for curtains. Many good, effective designs with well finished edges. 3 1/2 up to 5 inches wide. Supply your needs Friday at the 29c low price of only, the yard

Attractive New Filet Laces 12 1/2c Yd.

Main Floor—New, narrow Filet Laces in a special underpriced offering for Friday. Neat edges in a good assortment of desirable patterns for trimming of underwear and for making of fancy articles. Don't fail to see these Laces. Priced special today, at, yard 12 1/2c

2-Day Sale of Hair Goods \$5.00 Hair Switches Special at \$2.98 \$6.50 Hair Switches Special at \$4.98

Second Floor—\$5.00 Wavy Hair Switches in all good brown shades—special \$2.98 —\$6.50 Long, Wavy Hair Switches—brown \$4.98 —\$7.00 and \$7.50 Wavy Hair Switches in red shades, \$5.48 all long hair—special —Special care given to making up combings and match orders.

Friday Special \$1.50 Cotton Voiles At 98c Yard Very Desirable for Summer Dresses New Shipment Just Received

Aisle of Cottons, Main Floor—Our buyer of cottons, now in New York, picked up this special lot at a big discount—that is how we can sell them at so low a price. Beautiful, high-grade voiles in neat designs and colorings for Summer frocks. Full 40 inches wide. Yarn dyed, which gives assurance of fast colors. Here is an opportunity that is rarely met with right at the beginning of the season. See window. Novelty voiles of standard quality—specially priced Friday at, the yard 98c

Exclusive Portland Agents for Celebrated RICHARDSON LINENS

Men's Suits \$20 to \$35 Main Floor—Every Suit in our splendid stock embodies the utmost in style refinement and quality at the price. Critical men, careful in making their selections, will find here the best clothes from the standpoint of style and service to be seen in all Portland. Step in and try on some of the smart new models. \$20-\$35.



Men's Silk Shirts At \$5.25 Main Floor—Such famous makes as Arrow and Savoy are included in this offering. Cut in full standard sizes. Excellent assortment of attractive new stripe patterns. Men's \$6.50 to \$7.50 Silk Shirts \$5.25 priced special for today's selling

Men's Underwear Special 50c Main Floor—Men's Athletic Shirts and Drawers, sizes 36 and up. Mesh, seioette and crepe materials. While they 50c last you may buy them, the garment

Sale of Refrigerators Hardware Department Third Floor



For a limited time we shall sell any Refrigerator in stock at a reduced price. We do this to encourage our customers to buy early and get the benefits of the full season's use. Note the way prices range on Refrigerators: \$15.00 Refrigerators reduced to only \$12.00 \$18.00 Refrigerators reduced to only \$14.00 \$48.00 Refrigerator reduced to only \$36.00 \$98.00 Refrigerators reduced to only \$78.40

Headquarters for Best Lawn Mowers Third Floor—Sole Portland agents for Coldwell Lawn Mowers. Prices range from \$5.75 up to \$13.50

Boys' Suits Latest Models \$8.50 to \$16.50

Main Floor—Dependable blue serges, chevots, tweeds, homespuns and novelty mixtures. Popular new French models with belt and buckle. Each garment carefully tailored—panta full lined, double-taped seams. Sizes for boys 6 to 18 years.

Boys' Wash Suits \$1.75 to \$4.50 Main Floor—Repps, ginghams, percales, linens, chevots and chambrays. Sailor middie with long or short pants, also Trench styles. They come in ages from 2 1/2 to 10 years.

Boys' Hats —Boys' Straw Hats in the newest shapes—special, \$1.25 to \$2.50 —Boys' Felt Hats in the new military styles, \$1.50 to \$2.50.

Shirts and Blouses —New 1918 styles in Boys' Shirts and Blouses now ready for your inspection. Priced from 65¢ to \$1 —Portland agency for Buster Brown and also for the Black Cat Hosiery.

Dutchess Corduroy Knickers \$2.00 to \$2.50 —"10c a Button, 50c a Rip"—there's real economy in buying Dutchess Knickers for that growing boy.



Girls' Silk Dresses In Latest Spring Styles Dresses Worth to \$22.50

Friday—\$12.98 Girls' Shop, Second Floor —Charming frocks made up in the most bewitching styles imaginable—some trimmed with hand embroidery, fancy collars, pockets, belts, etc.—others are shown in pretty one-piece styles with smocking, fancy pockets and collars. All are new and will be shown for the first time Friday. Splendid quality taffeta silks in wanted plain colors, also in fancy plaids. Size 8 to 14. Silk Dresses worth to \$22.50 on sale Friday at the special low price of \$12.98

New Shipment Marabou Collars Just Received

Main Floor—Save from \$1.50 to \$2 by choosing that new Marabou Collar now! Friday we will have ready for you a new shipment of this popular Neckwear in plain and fancy styles, with or without tails and lined with good grade satin. Black, white, natural, taupe and brown—see these new Collars—priced now from \$5.95 to \$15

Women's New Pique Collars 75c Priced 75c Special

Main Floor—These are shown in the popular surplus style with neatly finished edges. Good quality white pique. Exceedingly pretty for Spring wear. 75c Priced special for Friday at only 75c

Kodak!

—The boys away from home are always anxious to receive pictures—send Kodak views. We have Eastman Kodaks and Cameras in all sizes. We do Kodak finishing.—Fourth Floor.

WOOL SCOURING URGED

GREAT SAVING IN CARS FOR SHIPMENT POSSIBLE.

Year's Clip of 40,000,000 Pounds in Pacific Northwest Can Be Reduced in Bulk to 15,000,000.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 9.—Representative Sinnott today called on the Car Service Commission and again urged that Western wool be scoured before shipment to Eastern markets.

He presented a telegram from the Oregon wool-scouring mills of Portland strongly advocating local scouring of wools and saying if this is done the 40,000,000 pounds of wool clipped this year in the Pacific Northwest can be reduced in bulk to 15,000,000 pounds. This reduction in volume and weight will save over 400 cars.

The Portland mills report having a capacity for scouring 1,000,000 pounds of wool a month and insist there is no shortage of facilities for scouring the wools in the West. They further say Western scoured wools have always been favorably accepted by Eastern buyers.

Honor Guard Show Success. THE DALLES, Or., May 9.—(Special.)

SERVICE FLAG DEDICATED

Sheridan High School Has 52 White Stars on Its Blue Field.

SHERIDAN, Or., May 9.—(Special.)—With 52 white stars on the field of blue, the Sheridan High School will dedicate her service flag tomorrow. The speakers of the occasion will be Otto Heider, the prominent young lawyer of Sheridan, and E. D. Dunn, of McMinnville, County Superintendent of Schools.

Out of the 100 boys from Sheridan 52 as above designated have attended the high school here. The school has proved itself true to the boys in the service by purchasing a full quota of war savings stamps and over \$1200 worth of liberty bonds.

CHURCHES BACK SOLDIERS

Righteousness of Cause Asserted at Unitarian Conference.

BERKELEY, Cal., May 9.—With reports of war work taking the place of the usual resume of the Y. M. C. A.'s activities, the second day's session of the Pacific Coast Conference of Unitarian churches is being held here today. Active work in behalf of the war has been reported by every church

in the conference sending delegates to the meeting. That the churches share in the glories of war service reflected by the work of their pastors, was the statement of Rev. Harold E. B. Speight, pastor of the First Unitarian Church, in reporting for that body.

"We have sent all of our men to war, yet we do not grudge them," said Rev. Mr. Speight. "They have gone with the wholehearted spirit of the church back of them. Well we know the righteousness of the cause in which they serve."

LUMBERJACKS BUY FLAG

Patriotic Americans at Kerry Erect 80-Foot Pole for Banner.

KERRY, Or., May 9.—(Special.)—Homage was paid to the American flag by the members of Hammond Lumber Company's Fishhawk camp when they held a flag-raising ceremony May 7. Everything having been ready the evening before, the 80-foot pole was raised in the twink-

UKULELES \$2.75 FREE LESSONS

This New Ukulele Is the Greatest Value Ever Shown in Portland Seiberling-Lucas Music Co. 125-7 FOURTH ST.

WATER SALE AUTHORIZED

Private Irrigation Projects Are to Be Protected.

YAKIMA, Wash., May 9.—Reclamation officials here today received from Washington authority to sell water from storage to private irrigation projects which are likely to suffer

Health Bread

1 1/2 cups sweet milk 1 cup flour 2 cups graham flour 1 tablespoon salt 1 tablespoon Maple Syrup 3 teaspoons Crescent Baking Powder Let stand one hour. This makes one loaf of delicious bread.

No increase in price or reduction in can size—sold by all grocers, 25c a pound. (B-241)

Von Luxburg Sails for Europe.

BUENOS AIRES, May 9.—Count von Luxburg, former German Minister to Argentina, accompanied by the German charge d'affaires at Montevideo and the latter's wife, sailed for Europe today. Dr. Perl, former German Minister to Peru, who was handed his passports by the Peruvian government

Everywoman

enjoys a warm, cleansing, luxurious double night and morning, easily and quickly prepared from pure, cooling TAKARA Antiseptic Powder Germicidal-healing. Indorsed by physicians. Packages 50c and \$1 Prepared Only by RAYMOND E. TAYLOR, Manufacturing Chemist, Cor. Sixth and Morrison Sts., Portland, Oregon

Bluhill Green Chile Cheese is 'some doings' on liberty bread.