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WAR'S EFFECTS NOT SEEN

Lieutenant-Colonel George A. White Compares French Towns With Those in Fatherland.

An interesting description of conditions in Germany is contained in a etter just received in Portland from Lieutenant-Colonel George A. White. It was written on February 5 at Koln and contrasts the German cities and villages with the ruined towns of France and Beigium, Lieutenant-Colonel White, wno has been serving on the staff of General Pershing, gives no information as to when he expects to return to this country. The letter follows:

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"Left Chaumont late last month after two hurried trips to the peace conference at Paris, where I had business. Started late and the first night got no further than Nancy. The next morning moved on up through the Port a Morisson country to the fortress city of Metz, crossing the Moselle river at that point. Metz Held by French.

"Metz is held by the French and the only Americans there are a few mili-tary police who keep an eye open for any Americans who might wander away-A. W. O. L. (absence without leave.) This town struck me as more French than German in its outward aspects. It dates back beyond the Roman era and in comparatively recent times has changed hands as be-tween the Germans and French. Unlike Nancy, which shows the effects of many bothe air raids, Metz displayed few evidences of the numerous air raids our avious are supposed to have made upon it during the late summer. In fact there was nothing in Germany so far as I could see to suggest that the

war had gone hard with them.

"We stopped for lunch at a little German town held by the French—the cafe was filled with French officers. The walters were Germans—at least residents of Lorraine. The French are contemporarily tolerant of the German not especially tolerant of the German language in this area, which is part of old Lorraine which France now gets back. When I addressed a waiter in German and began ordering something to eat he looked about him in a startled way and responded in French. Later he leaned over my shoulder and spoke German in very low tones. He wand he had just lately been released. said he had just lately been released from the German army after four years of service.

French Cannot Forget.

'No need for anti-fraternization or ders here, apparently. The French are not inclined to forget their ruined border lands in a hurry. There was no evidence that they cared to fraternize with the German section of the popuwith the German section of the populace. German stores were conspicuously placarded forbidding allied soldiers to enter. Inadverently I stepped into one and the clerk nearly had a nervous chill ushering me out.

"Next we stopped at Luxemburg, with its bristling fortifications dating back to mediscyal and ancient feudsback in the days when the French and Spaniards used to take Luxemburg.

Spaniards used to take Luxemburg when wanting something better to do. An elaboraten system of fortification is laid out

"Chocolate Soldier" without changing their habits or uniforms much.
"At Trier or Treves we spent a night—this was the first German city in which we had a force and a headquarters. We got accommodations at a little German hotel and got our first taste of German comforts—heat and a bath. Everywhere the Germans keep their houses and stores warm. The French either require little heat or can't afford it. Unless in an American barracks enjoyed by the few troops not in billets with the natives, I have yet to find a warm place in France since the winter set in.

Madmit the lodge member and one partners and one partners and one partners. Extra women will be admitted by cards, which may be secured from Sector-operative work among the farmers of Klamath county—the promotion of sulphuring of the alfalfa lands and eradication of the squirrel, under the leadership of the new county agricultural agent, E. H. Thomas, will be immediately launched, was decided at a meeting here of the executive council of the present administration from office, will be strictly informal. Surprises in the form of special features at the agent's office Saturbian and the lodge member and one partners, and the lodge member and one partners of Klamath FALLS, Or, March S. Special, —That two main branches of co-operative work among the farmers of Klamath county—the promotion of sulphuring of the alfalfa lands and eradication of the sulphuring of the alfalfa lands and eradication of the sulphuring of the alfalfa lands and eradication of the sulphuring of the sulphuring of the alfalfa lands and eradication of the sulphuring of the sulphuring of the sulphuring of the sulphuring of the alfalfa lands and eradication of the sulphuring of the sulphuring of the sulphuring of the sulphuring of the winter set in.

Bath Tub Is Discovery.

"We moved on to Wittlich for supper we moved on to wittien for supper and then to Cocheim, where we were put up for the night by an old Ger-man couple whose only immediate in-terest in life appeared to be that of making us comfortable (probably as per instructions). It was quite novel to find here a bath tub with at least medieval plumbing. "The bath tub is not an institution

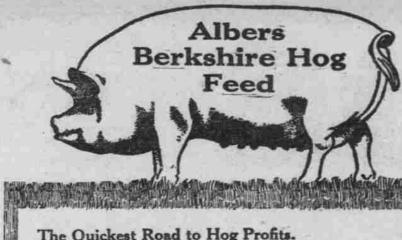
in France—it is probably not prohibited by statute, but restricted by custom. Perhaps there is truth in the report that the bath tub industry in France is throttled by the perfume industry Next morning we proceeded up the wonderful Moselle valley to Comblenz, headquarters of the army of occupation (American). The valley of the Moselle is rarely beautiful as it leads towards its point of confluence with the Rhine at Coblenz. It is plied with ancient appearing sailing craft hauling sup-plies for the natives. The river is smaller than the Willamette at Portland. The scenery is like that between Oregon City and Salem, except that agriculture is intensified a hundred-

"Every foot of land is cultivated, the steeper hillsides being terraced even where almost perpendicular. There are few farm houses, the farmers living in small towns and settlements, a survival of feudai days. Here and there a great castle sits atop a rocky hillside, harking back to the days when might alone spelled local security. These old castles now would hardly survive a half dozen well-directed shots from a heavy field gum. But of course they are all intact—only in France and Belgium have castles, cities and towns been laid in waste.

Troops Are Comfortable.

'In Coblens the headquarters troops were quite at home. Here they have taken over the leading hotels and such comfortable homes as they pleased in which to billet troops. The army is entitled certainly to exact comforts from a people who have caused them so much suffering, and the Germans seem to be disciplined to this fact. "At Hohr, half a dozen miles the other side of the Rhine from Coblenz, I came across the 148th field artillery—here the regimental headquarters had taken over the mayor's residence. Taken over everything from tapestries to servants and were quartered with all the comforts of luvure leving million. to servants and were quartered with all the comforts of luxury-loving million-airs. The men were comfortably billified in the town. It was a hard place to leave (unless to go home) and the soldiers are surely entitled to its comforts for winter quarters, for the last time I saw them they were in the remnants of Cunci in the Argonne forest."

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Nature of Special Stunts for Which Prizes Will Be Awarded Are Now Kept Secret.

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known until the night of the dance, although it has been announced that prizes have been secured to be awarded to the winner of the various contests

of the winder of the various contests in the programme.

Three orchestras will furnish music for the dancers, serpentine will be used liberally, and the annual Elks ball this year will be in the nature of a mardi gras without the costume or

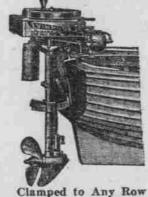
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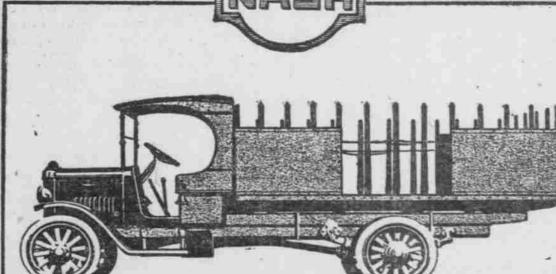
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