

PORTLAND BOY TELLS OF HIS EXPERIENCES IN LEAVING FRANCE

Frank W. Gilbert, Who Was on Auto Tour, Returns to His Home Here.

WOMEN ARE ALL BRAVE

Paris Throbbing With Excitement; on First Day of Mobilization 75,000 Troops Leave.

Fortunate in procuring passage back to America on the French line steamer La France, Frank W. Gilbert, Yale student and son of Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Gilbert of Alexandria Court, has arrived in Portland after three weeks of thrilling experiences in France at the beginning of hostilities.

Mr. Gilbert was in Paris the first day of mobilization and spent 10 days in Havre waiting for the ship to sail. He has nothing but praise for the loyalty and patriotism displayed by the French.

In company with Vernon Cook, well known in Portland, and two other Yale students, Mr. Gilbert was making an auto tour of the chateaux district of France. After leaving England he had been nine days on the continent and had reached the city of Orleans when the climatic change.

Passports Demanded. "I am able to read some French," said Mr. Gilbert this morning, "and had learned that Austria had declared war on Serbia but did not pay much attention to the news. I never dreamed that France would become involved. At 5 o'clock on the morning of August 2 we were awakened by a tremendous pounding on our door at the hotel in Orleans. Imagine our surprise when officials rushed in and demanded our passports. We had none from our government but managed to convince the authorities that we were Americans traveling solely for educational purposes.

"We had kept journals of our travels, including some descriptions of chateaux district. One of the officials asked what all the writing was about and I answered it was a journal. He then said the French mind this meant nothing but a description in a military sense and we had to reassure the authorities all over again.

"Alarmed at our experience we decided to hit direct for Paris. In the distance of 200 miles we were stopped and questioned at least 10 times. Soldiers guarded every cross roads.

Autos and Taxis Commandeered. "We reached Paris the first day of the mobilization and in some 75,000 troops leave the city in 24 hours. Every automobile and taxicab was commandeered by the government to transport soldiers from their homes to the depots. Ours was taken almost immediately, a receipt being given in exchange.

"Paris throbbled with excitement. The papers carried big headlines, 'The Arms, Frenchmen, the Germans Have Invaded Our Soil.' The monument commemorating the loss of Alsace-Lorraine was decorated with hundreds of wreaths. Crowds surrounded it at all hours and hats were raised as one passed.

"The women most of all were brave. Their faces showed pain and sorrow, but I did not once see tears. Their devotion to France was wonderful.

"On receipt of a cable from my father I decided to come as soon as I could. Hearing that the La France was to sail August 4, I got in line for hours and finally procured a steerage ticket. I was separated from my companions and when they found me in line they were unable to get passage.

Traveled in Box Cars. "After waiting most of the night my train left for Havre. It was a troop train composed of box cars and I with nearly 100 others was packed into one of them. Havre is ordinarily a four-hour run from Paris. It took us 15 hours. I had nothing but a suitcase, for that was all we were permitted to carry away with us.

"The sailing of the La France was first postponed one day and then indefinitely. We were quartered aboard ship but to help out I secured a place as an assistant to John Ball Osborne, the American consul at Havre, who had his hands full giving Americans passes to leave France.

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on August 20 after a good passage. The cargo shifted in some unaccountable way coming over, however, and the ship had a disconcerting list. All Americans on the steamer were taken into the cabin.

Mr. Gilbert praises most highly the efficiency of the American Express company's service abroad. "It was the only company," he said, "that cashed its checks right through from the start. There were lines of Americans three blocks long when I was in Paris waiting for money, and the company met all reasonable demands and even cashed checks issued by other companies. I was even able to get American gold.

Mr. Gilbert will leave for New Haven to resume his studies at Yale university in a few weeks.

BIG WHALE EGG? NO, JUST PIECE OF STONE



Odd freak of nature found about year ago.

Step closer, ladies and gentlemen, and at the Ad club yesterday when he was at the bottom of the few whale's eggs in captivity.

What? Whales don't lay eggs! Correct: One hundred per cent for years in nature. The fossil is not a hen's egg, nor an ostrich's egg, nor an egg of the capricious casowary, the pensive penguin, the festive flamingo or the arrogant auk. In sooth, verisimilar as it is, it is not an egg at all, but a piece of rounded stone worn by time and tide, wind and weather, and stones and sticks to its egg-like form.

The stone was found about a year ago in the jetty at the mouth of Yaquina bay by William Gatens of Newport, game warden for Lincoln county. Mr. Gatens takes particular delight in telling his friends that it is a whale's egg and many of them, to tell the truth, bite on the quip. Inasmuch as the jetty was built some 28 or 29 years ago it has taken a generation of ceaseless pounding in the jetty to bring the rock to its present shape. The egg comfortably fills the bottom of a chair and weighs about 45 pounds.

Big Chief Made Many Friends Here

Courier From Vancouver, Wash., Brings News of Coming Interstate Fair.

Chief Makes Enemy made no enemies at the Ad club yesterday when he strode into the luncheon council and handed Mayor H. R. Albee a letter from Mayor Henry Crass of Vancouver. The letter entomped all the way from the ferry, flanked on one side by Bee Ho Gray, a cowpuncher who claims to be the world's best roper, and on the other by Joe Residue, an interpreter. The Ad men whiped and yelled when the chief entered.

The letter bade Mayor Albee declare September 19 a half holiday so the people of Portland could visit the interstate fair. The mayor read the letter aloud and, turning to the chief, replied that he would comply with the request.

Gray said the party left Vancouver at 11:30, crossed the ferry and rode into Portland, galloping into the courtyard at the Portland hotel shortly before 1 o'clock. All along the route, crowds gathered at the curbs.

After the exchange of messages at the luncheon, the Indians and their white companion galloped back to Vancouver.

Chief Makes Enemy is a Sioux Indian from South Dakota.

Cow Uncovers Grip That May Give Clue

Robbers Who Broke Into Troutdale Store May Be Apprehended as Result of Slip of the Foot.

A cow sliding down hill uncovered a hand grip which was yesterday recognized as one taken by the men who blew up the safe in the store of Aaron Fox, of Troutdale, on the night of July 24. The grip was found about 150 yards below the point where Deputy Sheriff Kulper found the boat the men used to escape to the Washington side of the Columbia river that night. The point is near the Columbia Contract company's quarry.

In the grip were found two county warrants, one for \$26.53 and the other for \$10.60 and a \$25 check which were taken from the safe. An envelope was in the grip containing the torn remains of several dollar bills. Several feet of fuf, an empty nitro-glycerine bottle, a half dozen dynamite caps, a coil of adhesive tape, a rubber stamp belonging to Fox, and railroad time tables were found.

The grip had belonged to Mrs. Fox and had born her name but this was carefully cut out. The grip was buried on a sidewalk above the railroad tracks. Deputy Kulper believes that four or five men were involved in the job which netted the robbers \$1700 in cash.

The funeral of George L. Roberts, head of the Fidelity Abstract & Title Co., who died yesterday at his home 196 East Thirtieth street, will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon from the residence, Rev. Luther R. Dyott, pastor of the First Congregational church, will conduct the services. Mr. Roberts was born in New York 54 years ago. He spent his young manhood days in Fort Dodge, Iowa. He came to Portland from Duluth, Minn. in 1906, with his wife and daughter. The daughter, who was an only child, died last November.

Hop Pickers, Attention!

Extra! Special for Friday! 50 Pairs Campers' Blankets

Dark Gray Wool Blankets, Three-Quarter Size, Full 4 Lbs. Weight, \$3.50 Grade, Pr. \$1.98 Only One Pair to Each Purchaser.

Those in need of blankets for outing use, and who can arrange to attend this sale, will find this to be an out-of-the-ordinary opportunity to purchase a splendid pair at a bargain price. They are fine dark gray wool blankets, full 4 pounds in weight and full three-quarter size. They are Oregon-made blankets that sell regularly at \$3.50 pair. While they last, Bargain Friday \$1.98

Pacific Phone All Purchases Promptly Home Phone Marshall 5080 Delivered to All Parts A-2112 of Portland, Vancouver and Oregon City - Parcel Post and Express Packages Prepaid on \$5 Purchases - Mail Orders Will Be Promptly and Carefully Filled

Store Opens Daily at 8:30 a. m., on Saturdays 9 a. m. Store Closes Daily at 5:30 p. m., Saturdays at 6 p. m.



THE MOST IN VALUE—THE BEST IN QUALITY

Hop Pickers, Attention!

Extra! Special for Friday! Big Sale of Full Size Feather Pillows

Full Size Pillows Four-Pound Pillows, Covered With Fancy Ticking—Regular \$1.50 Values Now, a Pair 95c

Only a limited number to sell at this great price reduction, so don't delay your coming. They are fine, full-size pillows, 4 pounds in weight, filled with clean, sanitary feathers, covered with fancy striped ticking. Regular \$1.50 values, the pair... 95c

A Collection of Bargains Bound to Make a Busy Day Here Tomorrow

Our store friends, who have learned to expect out-of-the-ordinary values at this store on Bargain Fridays, won't be disappointed in looking over our specials for tomorrow. The list is long and the offerings are all seasonable. For the most part these offerings are special purchases, small lots, broken sizes and odds and ends which have accumulated recently. We want to hurry these goods out, in order to make room for others that are arriving, consequently we are offering them at these special low prices.

We're Closing Out Overstock Strictly High-Grade Undermuslins



Beautiful Combination Suits, Gowns and Princess Slips of the Finest Materials and Trimmings of Dainty Laces, Embroideries and Ribbons—Values Worth to \$3.50 Specially Priced at Only \$1.29 For Choice

Your last great opportunity of the season to purchase strictly high-grade Undermuslins at a figure usually quoted for the common sort. It is a final closing-out sale of a great overstock of cleverly designed, beautifully trimmed Combination Suits, Gowns and Princess Slips at a price-lowering that brings to you the most wonderful savings. The shrewdest women seeking unusual values will be the first to attend this sale—Included are:

COMBINATION SUITS in a full showing of the most popular styles, knickerbocker, Princess, circular or plain models of the best quality nainsook, longcloth and other high-grade materials—they come either with corset cover and drawers or corset cover and skirt, and every garment is perfectly finished—they are beautifully trimmed with dainty laces, embroideries and ribbons.

THE PRINCESS SLIPS are shown in a large variety of styles with trimmings of laces, embroideries, insertions and ribbons—especially attractive are those finished with deep flounce—they are made of the very best nainsook and come in all sizes.

THE GOWNS are of fine nainsook or crepe and are shown in the popular slipover or button-front styles, with high or V-shaped neck—they come with long or short sleeves and are cut in extra good length and fullness—they are finished with fancy yokes with trimmings of laces, ribbons and embroideries. It is a matchless array of styles and values. You have choice from garments that formerly sold up to \$3.50. We price \$1.29

About Half-Price for These Fine Blue Chambray Shirts

THEY COME WITH SOFT TURN-DOWN OR MILITARY COLLAR AND POCKETS WITH OR WITHOUT BUTTONS—THERE ARE ALL SIZES FROM 15 TO 17—VALUES WORTH TO \$1.00 FOR THIS SALE ONLY 55c Ea.

A splendid, well-appearing, durable Shirt for everyday wear—they are made of the best Blue Chambray, cut full to size and perfectly finished throughout—they come with soft turn-down or military collar and with pockets with or without buttons—all sizes from 15 to 17—they are the Ferguson and McKinney guaranteed Shirts in values to \$1.00, priced to close at 55c

MEN'S UNDERWEAR, REGULAR 50c GRADES AT ONLY 35c

MEN'S COTTON SOCKS, 12 1/2c REGULAR 15c GRADE AT 12 1/2c

A special underpricing of Blood's celebrated Jersey ribbed underwear in a weight that many men wear the year around—both shirts and drawers that regularly sell at 50c a garment. On sale tomorrow at 35c

A sale of one of our leading lines of men's Cotton Socks—they are made seamless and with spliced heel and toe—black tops with white soles—all sizes—a Sock of standard 15c quality. Tomorrow... 12 1/2c

Great Clean-Up Sale of Women's Neckwear

Colonial Collar and Cuff Sets, Lace and Embroidered Collars, Bows, Etc.—Values to 35c All Go Now at 10c

The immense variety of styles includes many of the most fashionable effects—broken lines and odd pieces grouped in one great assortment and marked at a ridiculously low figure to insure immediate clearance. You have choice of Voile, Batiste and Rice Cloth Collar and Cuff Sets in the new Colonial effects—white Swiss embroidered collars, lace collars, bows, lace pleating, etc.—Neckwear that has sold this season up to 35c. On Sale Tomorrow at 10c

Fall Lines of Children's, Misses' and Boys' Shoes

Shoes that are built all through of good, durable leathers—and added to this advantage are the numerous sizes, widths and styles, rendering them absolutely reliable and comfortable. We call your particular attention to our new Fall lines of Children's and Misses' Gunmetal and Box Calf Button Shoes, in broad-toe lasts. They are both dressy and durable and have been underpriced as follows:

Sizes 8 1/2 to 11—On sale at \$1.49  
Sizes 11 1/2 to 2—On sale at \$1.75  
Sizes 2 1/2 to 6—On sale at \$2.48  
BOYS' SHOES in velour calf leather—both button and blucher styles, with double-toe cap and heavy oak soles—broad stylish lasts:  
Sizes 9 to 13 1/2—On sale at \$1.98  
Sizes 1 to 5 1/2—On sale at \$2.48  
Children's and Misses' Slippers, in sizes \$1.39  
8 1/2 to 2, at—pair  
Women's Pumps in \$3, \$3.50 and \$4  
Grades, to close at—pair \$2.48

EXTRA!—Special for Friday! Great Sale of 200 Boxes Stationery

Regular 35c kind—Priced for this sale tomorrow at only 19c

Supply your Stationery needs at our sale tomorrow and you'll not regret it. High grade Linen Paper put up in fancy cartons of 48 sheets paper and envelopes to match. At the same low price we offer 100 boxes of initial paper with 24 sheets and envelopes to match. The kind that sells regularly at 35c to 40c—Friday at 19c

Here's the Sale You Have Been Waiting for—7000 Yards Standard Wash Goods

Plain-Colored Chambrays, Blue Checked Apron Gingham, Figured and Striped Percales in Light Colors, Printed Crepes, Etc.—They Are Our Regular 8c to 15c Qualities—Specially Priced for Tomorrow, Bargain Friday, at This Very Low Selling Figure

Here is sound economy for the women who can arrange to attend this great end-of-the-season sale of standard Wash Goods—the assortment includes over 7000 yards of plain color Chambrays in the best shades—blue checked Apron Gingham in all size checks—also figured and striped Percales in light colorings and printed Dress Crepes in various patterns—wash fabrics that have sold all-season from 8c to 15c a yard—THIS SALE AT 5c

EXTRA!—Special for Friday! Wonderful Sale Stamped Pillow Slips

Regular 65c values—They are priced for this sale at, each, 43c

In the Art Department, a special showing and sale of fine Stamped Pillow Slips, made of good quality tubing—they come 36x42 inches and are shown in a large variety of pleasing designs—at the same price reduction we also include a fine lot of Stamped Day Slips. They are all regular 50c and 65c lines—Friday at 43c

The Duffy Malt Whiskey Co., Rochester, N. Y.

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