

By William G. Shepherd. Przemysl. Nov. 1 .- (By courier to -It is the evening of Sunday. I went to church today. It was a wartime service on a battlefield amid a litter of trenches and rifle shelters. Two batteries of howitzers in the valley 300 yards distant boomed at intervals. Our own shells screeched high above the improvised altar and went their way of death.

Imagine a chain of hills covering an area the size of the city of Chicago. You stand on the safe side of the hill nearest the Russian lines. Then you'll have the scene of the service.

You are near the top of the hill and have orders not to show your head above the rim, as the slightest movement might give the Russian lookouts the range.

From your hill you can see other hillsides. Across them come files of soldiers in gray-narrow lines, moving over the slopes like gigantic gray

Service for Sharpshooters.

This is to be a service for the Tyrolean sharpshooters, the Eightysighth Austria-Hungarian regiment.

The men who are marching through the cold gray morning are straightening trenches, where they have lain for three weeks. The black earth is on their clothes, hands and faces. The altar is a small lean-to made of fresh pine boards. There is a Christmassy air about it, for it is decorated with pine boughs, amidst which candles flicker with a pale,

ghostly effect in the daylight. The priest is waiting. He is a short, bearded man, kindly-eyed and ruddy-a pilot of men who at any moment may take the short, duick journey into eternity. Big boots and heavy overcoat appear under his white and gold vestments. He is bareheaded and the raw wind stirs the hairs on his face and head.

Telephone for General.

soldier comes along near the brow of the hill, stringing a wire on the ground behind hlm. He lays a small box and a telephone receiver on the ground near the altar. General Schonburg, the brigade commander, is coming to church today and he must be in touch with headquarters every moment.

of men pass through the gully and climb the hill. They range themselves behind the first comers. From another part of the slope, a tall broad man, accompanied by a group of neatly dressed officers, appears and shakes hands with the priest, It is General Schonburg.

By this time more than '1000 men are gathered 100 feet below the altar They are given "at ease" and stand

as much like it as is possible with a 50 pound pack on each back and a cold wind blowing. The priest turns to his lean-to, faces

the rude altar and kneels. The mass for soldiers, living and dead, is begun. At various junctures, where the service requires that the worshipers kneel, too, and cross themselves, the men raise

the United States look on the roughriders. No weak sentimentality will Vienon, thence by mail to New York.) please these elemental men and General Schonburg gives them non. He praises them for victories and urges them to revenege for defeats suffered As the general concluded a decoration was placed about his neck. He was raised from the rank of a brigadier to a division commander.

Then he stepped to a bench on which ay a large collection of medals. An lide called out the names of some 50 men who came forward to receive rewards for bravery.

Decorations for Service. One young man with a splendidly strong yet gentie face received a gold decoration for running back into a ma-

hour, and fired three guns singlehanded. The priest stood nearby Smiling beneignly.

emperor. A bell tinkled again, while the priest

bowed once more at the altar. The battery reared. Far, away, the Russian guns bellowed an answer. Dinner in a Dugout.

the Russian grenades, daily visitors, had left their mark. At last the service was concluded. The soldiers passed, down the hill trailed across the valley and their

gray lines crawled up the slopes of other hills and sank from view over the crests. Church was out. We had Sunday dinner in an offi-

cer's dugout, with an earth and timber roof, four feet thick, above our heads.

Northwest News

Washing Is Postponed. Kennewick, Wash., Dec. 9 .- Several hundred people attended both sessions of the Farmers' Institute which opened in the High school here Monday under the auspices of the Washington State college extension department. Many women of Kennewick postponed wash day in order to hear Miss Mary Sutherland lecture on "Home Economics. The other speakers were Mrs. Helen Dow Whittaker, Professor A. J. Tormey and Professor A. L. Straus.

New Bank for Centralia. Centralia, Wash., Dec. 9 .- C. P. Hay, special deputy bank examiner, who has had charge of the Union Loan & Trust Co. since that institution closed its

doors following the failure of the United States National bank in September, announced yesterday that a new bank is to be opened in Centralia and will, as far as possible, take over Mail Orders the affairs of the Union Loan & Trust The new bank will be capitalized

Annual Banquet of the Association Will Be Held at the Oregon Hotel Tomorrow Night.

Record prices are being received for prize birds on sale at the annual Poultry Show now on at the Pittock block.

Yesterday J. W. Renney & Sons of Vancouver, Wash., owners of the sweepstakes bird of the show and

specialists in the White Leghorn variety, sold a pen of White Leghorns for \$150. The pen contained chine gun fire to save his wounded Barred Rocks and Rhole Island Red captain. The iron cross went to a are being sold for as high at \$25 young artilleryman. Over the tele-phone the order kept coming for his phone the order kept coming for his cod for the other varieties shown.

Two additional special awards this lone artilleryman loaded were announced this morning. To M. J. Myers, 1594 Division street, Portland, was awarded a \$15 cash prize for Multnomah county breeders, the The men gave three "hochs" for the entries being restricted to those breed-

ers who exhibited at the state fair. E. F. Batten of Hood River won the state cup for the best Rhode Island Red, offered by the Rhode Island Red Club of America.

Tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock In the valley below were huge Mr. Batten will deliver a lecture on patches of newly turned earth where "Feeding," as a special feature of the Yesterday day. afternoon Judge Frank Breed of Walla Walla talked on

"Breeding." The annual banquet of the Oregon Poultry & Pet Stock association will he held at the Oregon hotel tomorrow night. An interesting toast list has been prepared. R. H. Brown of the Union Meat company will preside.

Awards hitherto unannounced follow:

Flemish Giant Senior. Doe and Litter-First W. B. Brown, Port-

Buck-First and second, George M. Ras-mussen; third, Young's Rabbitry, Milwankie, Doe-First, George M. Rasmussen; second, Young's Rabbitry; third, W. B. Brown, Junior Buck-First, T. F. Smith, Talent, Young Doe-First, T. F. Smith; second, W. B. Brown, Miscellaneous, Hanne and Bablith

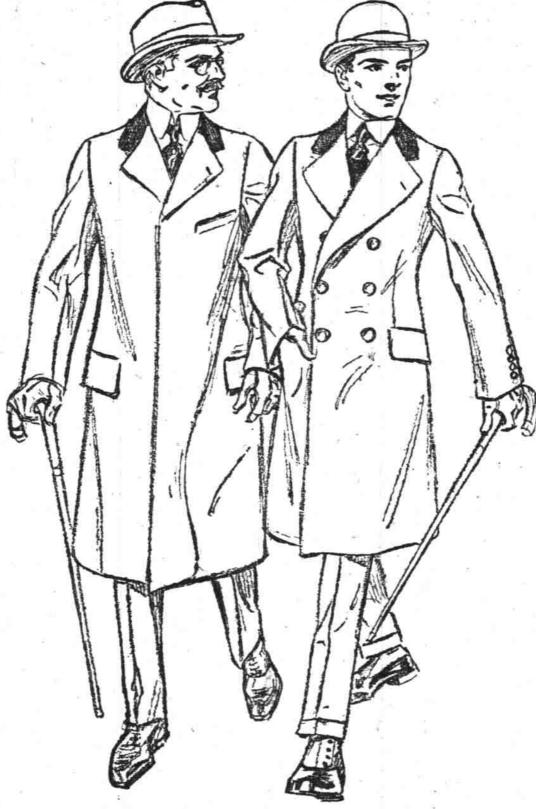
Miscellaneous Hares and Rabbits. Senia Doe-First and second, Young's abbitry. Doe and Litter-First, Northern Hill Rab-

ior Buck-Northern Hill Rabbitry; Young's Rabbitry. Homer Squab. Breeding Pen-First, Alma Taylor, Port-Carneaux A. O. C.

Old Pen-First, Mrs. R. E. Anson, Port-and; second, J. V. Adams, Portland. Squab Breeding A. O. Y. Pen-First, Oregon Squab & Pigeon com-any, Portland.

Maltese, Pen-Second, Oregon Carnesux company; third, J. V. Adams. Blue Bunt.

Old Cock-First, B. A. Mitchell, Oreaco. Old Hen-First and Third, Oregon Car-saux commany; second, B. A. Mitchell.



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