

LIFE IN TRENCHES BRINGS OUT MORE SERIOUS THINKING

Former Portland Man Becomes Wiser, Older and More Pious After Stay on Firing Line.

SERGEANT BODDY SEES ACTION

Fiendish Sights Seen in Fights With Germans; Rest in French Home With Luxuries Enjoyed.

From "Somewhere Else" in France Sergeant Chester Boddy, with Company 1, 20th Infantry, has written his brother, E. J. Boddy, of Vancouver, Wash., the following interesting letter. Sergeant Boddy is a Washington boy, though at the time of his enlistment he was city manager of the Encyclopedia Britannica company in New York city. He had mastered the German language in his high school days and tells of putting his knowledge to good usage in the following letter:

"This isn't a natural life at all. It is check full of something all the time, so that letter-writing seems almost impossible. "When I wrote to you before I was in a beautiful country, rather peaceful, and living in a chicken-house some 250 years old. Well, I have gone through all manner of experiences since then. I have marched with heavy pack through rain and mud, hot sun, day and night. First I would take a short rest in some musty old barn, on the ground; next time, perhaps, it would be in the open field, on the wet ground, for a few hours. Often it would be under our little old dog tents.

Novelty Wears Off
"The novelty of seeing ruined cities and cities ruined soon wore off. We scarcely noticed the countless number of airplanes always humming over our heads. Troops, troops, troops! Trucks, wagons, artillery—no end to them. The only novelty in all France is a civilian. I have only seen three in all my journey, and they were in the service of the government. We soon learn the count of days or dates and no one knew where we were or where we were bound for. Our chief concern was our rolling kitchen and the dumplings, ration lunches, with its bully beef, cheese and hardtack. "Sometimes we were fortunate enough to ride on and in around cattle cars. Eight horses or 40 men" is printed on the outside of these bumpy

little brown cars, but they were indeed relief. I'll never forget one long ride we had. We were permitted to stop for a few minutes in a trench and we sneaked out and bought some canned fruit, cakes and salmon from a Y. M. C. A. hut. Three of us climbed on top of the car and ate it as we rolled along through one ghost city after another. But the men are tough now and can stand anything. We all have a happy life and scabbies, but they are quite decent little chaps, and I really find them good company when the big shells drop around and make us so lonely.

German Cowards Must Die
"Our trip ended abruptly when it did end, and the rest of this story, from 10 days ago, will have to be omitted, as you may imagine.

"I am in a rest camp now—wiser, older and exceedingly more pious, hypocrite that I am. Ha, ha! But I am a more serious individual than I ever was before, for God knows I have seen sights and gone through things only meant for a fiend's hell. Even as I write this I feel like flinging down my pen and grabbing my rifle and returning to the fight, for those German cowards, fed on dope and pushed on by crazy men, must be killed, and, by God, they will be killed. I shudder to think what the world would be if we considered a moment allowing them even the semblance of victory. Listen here—I tell you for a positive fact that if Germany wins this war, a German uniform will be a license to murder, pillage and ruin anything non-German throughout the world.

Sees Pals Burned to Death
"And the license will be used by fiends, for such they are. With my own eyes I have seen men—my pals—burned to death by liquid fire. But I must control myself, for these things are only meant for this side of the Atlantic, and I can't afford the time it takes to write this if the censor cuts out a lot of it.

"I said before, I am in a rest camp now, and never in my life did I enjoy a rest so thoroughly. The company is quartered in nice, clean barracks. I guarded with an old French woman for a room and got one. It has a big feather bed in it—an old virtual paradise to the swamps and dugouts of the front. And eat! I had for supper: 1. parsley omelette (French style); ginger cake and peach conserve on the side; 2. potted loaf of beef with onions, brown gravy, bread and Swiss cheese; 3. lettuce salad, cheese and cake. French dressing; 4. strawberries and whipped cream. And extras: beer, cigars, nuts, sugar, milk, small sugar cookies. Now isn't that fine?"

"The mail goes out in five minutes. 'Good bye—and good luck' as they always say over here. "May God save you all for the big family reunion we will have. "Your loving son and brother, "CHESTER."

SEES SERVICE AT THE FRONT

Lieutenant William A. Royle Becomes Accustomed to Big Shells.

"I am awfully glad that you have the service flag with the star up for me at

police headquarters," writes Lieutenant William A. (Bill) Royle to Inspector Dan Kellaher. "And I'm proud to think you take so much pride in me and write to me so often. I have just arrived back from the front, where I have been for three weeks. I was up on a special mission and have seen life in the trenches now as well as in the air. In the air service you get it sooner or later, you can't beat it and in the trenches you at least have a chance of getting a splinter or a shell shock or bullet and then back on the train.

"We had a nice little dug-out just a little behind the front line and I was trying to write a note to my wife by candle light and old Fritz was sending over some heavies and the shock kept knocking the candle down. Well I stuck it between two nails and the blooming candle would go out, so I got sore at old Fritz and laid down on the blankets until he got through, all the time, of course, listening to him sending over his advertising.

American Like Veterans
"He gets awfully saucy sometimes, but we sparke him good several times a day, which keeps him guessing just what we have over here. The boys in the trenches now are just like old veterans and pay attention as much attention to Fritz' tricks as you do to a drink. (Note: Dan was noted in the old days as the boy who didn't imbibe.)

"One fellow, a 'Sammy,' was asleep in the trench, up on the side bank and the shells were coming over pretty lively and he just laid there, so I went up and said to him as I shook him: 'You had better get in the dugout, kid, it's getting warm here now.' He just reached up and pulled a big piece of sheet iron over the top of the trench to protect himself and went back to sleep. This kid had made a little hammock out of chicken wire and was asleep in it. Some nerve, eh! All the other fellows just laughed. I guess the kid was all tired out, too, Dan.

Made Trip In Airplane
"Was up over the lines also taking a look for new dope and had Archie barking away at us, which is very amusing as we generally get up just out of reach and watch the sharpshooter and other shells burst below.

"Somebody sent me a Portland Journal. Believe me it was good to see the good old home paper again. It had lots of news and hope to get some more."

In another letter the former Portland police officer says: "We keep old Fritz busy now and he knows we are on the job. He has given up starting things now and he waits for us to do the trick. When we do he comes back, but we are gradually getting on to him and lay and watch his shells come over with the greatest ease. But don't ever let anyone tell you they have not got any respect for a shell. Personally I have the greatest respect in the world for any kind of a shell. You know, they have no brake like an auto, and when they land, 'Oh mama,' what a wonderful reminder they leave behind!"

A spinning turbine wheel keeps the exhaust gases moving in a new automobile muffler and helps to cool them.

WOMEN MAKE GOOD RECEIVING TELLERS, SAYS BANK OFFICIAL

Experiment Tried Proves Success, but Doubt Is Expressed As to Paying Tellers.

That women may do the work of a receiving teller as effectively as a man is the conclusion of the United States National bank after putting on one of their women clerks to act during the vacation of a receiving teller.

"It was just an experiment," said R. Lea Barnes, vice president, "to see if women could do the work if necessary. I had been told by a prominent Canadian bank official that he had employed them with great success, and I wished to try it out here. The woman proved very satisfactory, and I have become convinced that as receiving tellers, capable women with certain characteristics and qualifications can do the work equally well as men."

As paying tellers, however, Mr. Barnes did not think they would be so well fitted, the work being more of a strain, in the real handling of money, while that of the receiving teller was only in checking up.

Mr. Barnes did not contemplate any immediate installment of women receiving tellers but said that all the banks would probably come to it within a short time.

Ernest A. Wyld, vice president of the First National bank, said that that bank had not tried out any women tellers, it would not be long before it would be employing them.

"While I have been told that women make very successful tellers, I am strongly opposed to employing them," said Mr. Wyld, because it has been my experience not to find them so efficient as the men. They come in here wearing pink satin skirts and are all the time thinking of their appearance. They do not take it up as a life work as do the men."

Mr. Wyld thought, however, that women could do the work of receiving tellers in some instances quite satisfactorily, although he did not think they were so well fitted for paying tellers.

Baby Gets Gopher Gun; Eye Shot Out

While playing with a gopher gun Lucille Evans, 3, of 167 East Forty-fifth street, north, accidentally touched the trigger and shot himself in the eye. He was removed to St. Vincent's hospital where physicians are endeavoring to save both his life and his sight.

Band Concert at Vernon Playground

There will be a municipal band concert tonight at 8 o'clock at the Vernon playground under the direction of Percy A. Campbell. Following is the program which will be given:

Anthem, "The Star Spangled Banner;" march, "National Emblem;" overture, "Poet and Peasant" (Suppe); three new song hits, (a) "N Everything," (b) "The Blue Bird," (c) "Smiles" (Remick); selection, "Mariana," (Wallace); "Forest Echoes," (Oliver); waltz, "Wedding of the Winds," request, (Hall); grand military fantasia, "Reminiscences of the Boys in Blue," (Rollinson); National anthems and songs of the allies; "America."

Thursday night the band will play at St. Johns. Friday night's concert will be at Columbia park.

Ashes of Man Are Scattered on Water

Last April, J. W. Christie, a venerable member of the Improved Order of Red Men and a member of Ouray tribe No. 5 of Denver, Colo., died in this city, where he had resided for more than 10 years. He left a request that Willamette tribe of this city scatter his ashes on the Columbia river, and in accordance with that request T. C. Reichle, senior great sagamore of Oregon, Sunday evening, in the presence of a large number of his friends and brothers of the order, scattered the ashes from the deck of the launch Beaver just as it was entering the Willamette river from the Columbia. Several touching tributes of respect were given by Sagamore Reichle and other chiefs.

Will Hold Battalion Drill at Clackamas

If arrangements can be made, it is proposed to hold the first battalion drill and rifle practice of the Fourth regiment, Oregon National Guard, at Clackamas, Sunday, August 25. The men will march from Gray's Crossing. It is expected that at least three companies will be recruited to the strength required by the federal authorities by that time.

Colorado Labor Pledges Loyalty
Salida, Colo., Aug. 12.—(I. N. S.)—Allegiance to the United States and loyalty to President Wilson until the end of the war were pledged by the Colorado Federation of Labor in a resolution unanimously adopted today at the opening session of its annual convention in Salida.

Co. D Is First to Be Taken Into O. N. G.

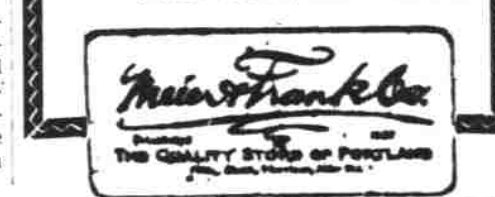
Company D was mustered in Monday night at the Armory as the first company of what will be the Fourth Oregon National Guard, with 122 men. The officers of this company are: Captain R. A. Sawyer, First Lieutenant Fred Norman, Second Lieutenant Albert Breedlove, Second Lieutenants Aaron Frank and William Montgomery have been assigned from the staff of Colonel W. C. North to assist in instructing the company. Not enough rifles are available yet to go around, but as rapidly as the circumstances will allow, the company will be fully equipped. The company will give its first drill at Peninsula park Sunday.

It Pays to Obey
Camp Lewis, Wash., Aug. 13.—(I. N. S.)—Private Dewitt Ramsdell from Seattle and Peter Slynstog from Plentywood, Mont., were today sentenced to 30 and 20 years' imprisonment respectively. Both were found guilty of disobeying orders.

Groceries

Ivory Soap, 10 bars (limit) priced at 59c
Grape Juice, Church's, pint bottle, doz. \$2.20, 19c
Holly Milk, large cans, doz. \$1.40, can... 12c
Mammoth Green Asparagus, new pack, No. 2 round cans, while any remain, doz. 22c, 50c, can... 22c
Yellow Corn Meal, fresh stock, just received, 5-lb. package... 32c
Rice Flour, best quality, 5-lb. package... 52c
Noodles, Skinner's, one of the best Eastern makes, doz. \$1.15, pkg. 10c
Peanut Butter, guaranteed fresh, pure, lb. 22c

—Meier & Frank's, Ninth Floor, Fifth Street.



Wednesday We Make a Special Featuring of the Newest In Women's Fall Apparel

Almost every day sees scores of new arrivals in the Apparel Section of our Lower Price Downstairs Store. New suits, dresses, skirts, waists, hats, sweaters, petticoats and everything else required for Fall wear. Lowest prices prevail.

Lovely New Arrivals In Women's Fall Suits

Moderately Priced at

\$18.75--\$24.75

These new arrivals in women's Fall suits evidence all the desirable style features and all the most favored materials and colors.

Serge, poplin and tricot suits in blue, gray, taupe and black. Military styles, puffed models and wide belted effects are shown. Many are effectively trimmed with silk braid, some have velvet collars. Sizes 36 to 50.

New Fall Dresses

Among recent arrivals in the new Fall apparel are these splendid satin dresses at \$14.75. New round neck models with fancy tailored pockets. Blue, black, taupe and Burgundy shades. All sizes to 44. Excellent value at \$14.75.

Silk Poplin Dresses \$9.85

These dresses are wonderful values at this extremely low price—\$9.85. Empire styles, shirred models, with fancy collars and pockets. All the new Fall shades are represented in this lot. All sizes at only \$9.85.

New Fall Silk Skirts \$4.95

Dozens of different plaid effects and combination colorings are shown in these new silk skirts for Fall. New pleated side sash effects, high or low yokes. All sizes. Good values at \$4.95.

New Silk Waists Only \$2.98

Beautiful new models in women's lace trimmed and tucked crepe de chine and Georgette waists. White, flesh and black models with large, square collars. Also styles with popular "two-in-one" collars that may be worn high or low. Sizes 38 to 46.

Other Silk Waists at \$4.98

New Georgette crepe waists in braided effects with round necks, beaded and embroidered styles with square collars—all are in slipover models. Colors include flesh, taupe, Alice, gray and white. All sizes to 44.

New Fall Hats Just Received

FLAT AND DROOPING BRIM HATS
New broad, flat and drooping brim hats with draped velvet crowns and contrasting color brims. Facings in bright shades. These hats require but very little trimming. Excellent values at \$3.98.

NEW FEATHER TURBANS—JUST IN
Feather turbans are going to be extremely popular this season. We have just received a large assortment of feather turbans ranging in price from \$2.98 to \$4.98.

MISSSES' AND CHILDREN'S FALL HATS
A great variety of misses' and children's new Fall hats are now on display. Sailor, helmet and tam shapes as well as a few drooping brim styles. Trimmed with ribbons, flowers and streamers. Lowly priced at \$1.49 to \$2.98.

New Sweaters Only \$5.95

Silk fiber and fiber mixed sweaters in such popular shades as gold, green, rose, Copen, natural and apricot. Models with large rolling collars, also square sailor styles. All sizes. These sweaters are worth as much as \$7.50.

New Silk Petticoats \$4.98

Some of these silk petticoats are samples, while others are manufacturer's odds and ends. Taffeta petticoats in changeable effects and plain colors. Pleated, ruffled and shirred styles. All sizes. Values to \$6.50.

Sale of Women's Corsets At \$1.39 At \$1.49

Athletic style corsets of good quality coutil. With side elastic webbing and four supporters. Sizes 21 to 28. Elastic top corsets of fancy brocade. Flesh or white. Four supporters. Sizes 21 to 28. Special at \$1.49.

Great Sale of Domestic

NAINSOOK 16c
Short lengths of fine, sheer quality nainsook—lengths 3 to 12 yards, 27 to 33 inches wide. Worth 25c yard.

JAP CREPE 35c
Imported Japanese crepe of a good quality. Plain or fancy striped material. 30 inches wide.

PERCALE 25c
Fine quality percale, light or dark grounds. Some slightly imperfect. 36 inches wide.

TOWELS 29c
Union linen huck towels—slightly imperfect qualities of the regular 50c grade. 18x36 inch.



Portland Must Furnish Rooms for the G. A. R.

When the veterans and their friends come to our city for their National Encampment celebration next week (August 18 to 24). List available rooms at National League Headquarters on our Sixth Floor.

U. S. Student Nurse Reserve

Women between the ages of 19 and 35 who desire to take this specialized course of training should register at once with the Council on National Defense (Women's Division) in our Auditorium on the Sixth Floor.



This Store Makes One Delivery a Day

By Governmental request this store makes one delivery a day over each route; charges for special delivery; limits to 3 days the time within which customer may return merchandise for credit or exchange.

"Delineator" Special Offer Now Open

For particulars apply at our Pattern Shop. Investigate at once—the time is limited.—Second Floor. September Delineator for subscribers, also August Butterick patterns and Fashion Sheets are in.

The August Sale of Undermuslins

Come Direct to Headquarters to Get Your Flags for G. A. R. Week

Next week (August 18 to 24) is G. A. R. Week when the General Encampment of the G. A. R. and allied organizations will be held in our city. Flags will be in the ascendant—every building should fly one. This store has the flags. Cotton, wool and silk flags in all sizes. Cotton and muslin flags on sticks. Pennant streamers for decorations. Special banners made to order.

SERVICE FLAGS
In Stock and to Order

—Meier & Frank's, Fifth Floor, Sixth Street.

In Our Notion Shop

Special Featuring of Every-day Requisites

For the Hair

Garrity's Silk Hair Wavers, soft and pliable, 2 sizes, 5 on card 35c and 25c
Staywave Hair Waving Pins, 8 on card 10c.
Warren's Hair Curlers, 8 in box 12 1/2c
Magic Hair Curlers, 2 on card 10c.
Wire Hair Pins, assorted sizes, box 5c.
Hair Nets, real human hair, cap shape, all shades, each 10c.
Face Veil Hair Nets, black, light brown, gray and white, ea. 10c
Celluloid "Barrette" Braid Holders, each 5c.
Hair Bow Fasteners, each 5c.
DeLong's Invisible Wire Hair Pins, jet and bronze, assorted sizes in cabinet, 10c.
Brass Pins, assorted sizes, 160 count paper for 5c.
Cube Pins, jet or white heads, cube 19c.
Damascus Safety Pins, assorted sizes, 12 on card, 3 cards 25c.
Card 10c.
Hair Pins, fancy heads, assorted styles, 2 for 15c, each 10c.
—Meier & Frank's, Notion Shop, Main Floor.

enters on its third wonderful day. If the first two days afford any reliable indication of what we may expect in the way of attendance Wednesday and hereafter during this sale then our Undermuslin Shop is in for the busiest days ever known at this season.

Women appreciate the opportunities offered them in this sale to choose from great new stocks of undermuslins at substantial savings. All materials are of good quality, the garments properly designed and made. Just a hint of the selections:

Domestic Undermuslins

GOWNS at 98c, \$1.29, \$1.59, \$1.98 to \$5.95.
ENVELOPE CHEMISE at 79c, 98c, \$1.29 to \$3.59.
PETTICOATS at \$1.29, \$1.59 and up to \$7.95.

Hand Embroidered

GOWNS at \$3.59, \$3.95, \$5.95 to \$7.45.
ENVELOPE CHEMISE special \$3.59 to \$4.59.
STRAIGHT CHEMISE special \$2.59 to \$3.59.
CORSET COVERS, extra special values, \$1.98.

Crepe de Chine, Wash Satin

GOWNS at \$3.75, \$4.95, \$5.45 to \$9.45.
ENVELOPE CHEMISE at \$2.43, \$2.98 to \$5.95.
CAMISOLES at \$1.29, \$1.59, \$1.79 to \$2.98.

Wash taffeta, sateen and heatherbloom petticoats in white and flesh; white cotton crepe envelope chemise and flesh-colored cotton crepe gowns reduced.

—Meier & Frank's, Third Floor, Sixth Street.



Optical Quality and Service

These are the two guiding principles of our Optical Shop—to do only QUALITY work and to give the highest possible form of SERVICE. These constitute two excellent reasons why you should come here for glasses.

Our expert optometrist is instantly available at any time of the day between 9 A. M. and 6 P. M. No charge for consultation. Lenses carefully prescribed to your individual requirements after thorough examination. Broken lenses promptly duplicated.

—Meier & Frank's, Optical Shop, Mezzanine, Sixth Street.

Center Aisle Bargain Square, Main Floor Sale

Women's Hose Pair 25c

Women will be quick to take advantage of this opportunity to buy cotton hose of finely serviceable quality at a price that is close to

PRESENT WHOLESALE COST

Seamless stockings with double soles, heels and toes that are made to wear, wide garter tops. Black, white, tan, brown, Palm Beach, pink. All regular sizes 8 1/2 to 10. Pair 25c.

—Meier & Frank's, Center Aisle Bargain Square, Main Floor, Fifth Street.

A Parasol Cleanup!

Four special groups of our fine 1918 parasol stocks drastically reduced for immediate clearance—the sale prices are but a tiny fraction of the regular cost. Limited number in each lot. Early selection is strongly advised.

Women's Fancy Silk Parasols \$1.00

Were \$3.35 to \$7.50

Only 125. Fine quality covers in plain and fancy patterns. Paragon frames. Silk carrying loops and other popular styles of handles, some of which alone are worth the price of the complete parasol. Wonderful at \$1! One pictured.

Women's \$7.50 to \$15.00 Parasols \$2.50

A few English parasols in plain and fancy designs. Smart handles. Some \$10 "Bazar" (combination parasols and shopping bags) included.

Children's Parasols

At 50c
Were \$1 to \$1.25. Of sturdy cotton material.

At 75c
Silk and cotton fancy parasols. Assorted colors.

—Meier & Frank's, Parasol Shop, Main Floor.

Furs Repaired and Remodeled

You will find this an ideal time to have all repairs and alterations to your furs made.

It is important that orders for this work be placed now so that your furs may be in readiness when the cold weather comes. Charges for work done at this time are much more advantageous to you than we could make during our busy season which will soon be here. Telephone Marshall 4600 or A-6101 and our auto will call. If desired we will store furs in our vaults until required.

—Meier & Frank's, Fur Shop, Fourth Floor.