

## FIELD ARTILLERY RESTS UP AT CAMP LEWIS AFTER TRIP

War Veterans Arrive at Camp to Find Everything in Readiness for Their Comfort.

### LATE BATTLES RECALLED

Oregon Men Included Among Heroes Who Sustained Wounds in Fighting Overseas.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 25.—(U. P.)—Veterans of the 346th field artillery, Colonel Frankenberg commanding, who arrived at Camp Lewis Friday night, rested today after their trip of 18 months' duration across the continent and Atlantic to France and back again. The regiment detrained at the same place where, as civilians, they reached camp in September, 1917. This regiment is the first unit of the 91st division to return for demobilization, and consists largely of Oregon and Washington men who were loudly acclaimed at Spokane, Seattle and Tacoma where stops were made en route to Camp Lewis.

"It ain't changed a bit," exclaimed one big Oregonian as he surveyed the environment from the car steps.

"Even the rain!" added another.

"No more sleeping in the mud," shouted one happy artilleryman. "Me for a regular bed." This was greeted with a yell of "Yea, bo!" from the others.

**Met by Big Crowd**

The home coming soldiers were met by a big crowd of enthusiastic Tacomans when their special trains arrived. The parade up town was halted at Eleventh street, where an address of welcome was delivered by Mayor Riddell.

When the regiment reached camp the men found their barracks lighted, fires burning and dinner ready to serve. Special cooks had been assigned to prepare a hot meal for the returning troops and they arrived at their old "home" just at the right time to attack the spread.

Governor Lister and members of the legislature will officially welcome the regiment home Tuesday at Camp Lewis. The men will be demobilized along with the 13th division and it is expected all will be out of the service by March 1.

Trains leaving for Portland at noon today took a goodly number of Oregonians on it, and the well known spiral routes and trench cap, or "tin" hat of the overseas soldiers will be a more or less common sight on Portland's streets tomorrow. Colonel Samuel Frankenberg let every man go whose home could be reached and his return to camp accomplished by Monday morning; and, despite the fact that they were tired of traveling and of being fed and dined in every city on the line between here and Camp Merritt, everyone went who could.

**Rejoiced to Get Home**

"It sure is nice to be back," remarked Sergeant Earl L. Baum, whose home is in LaGrande, as he anxiously watched some of the other Oregon men making ready to leave camp.

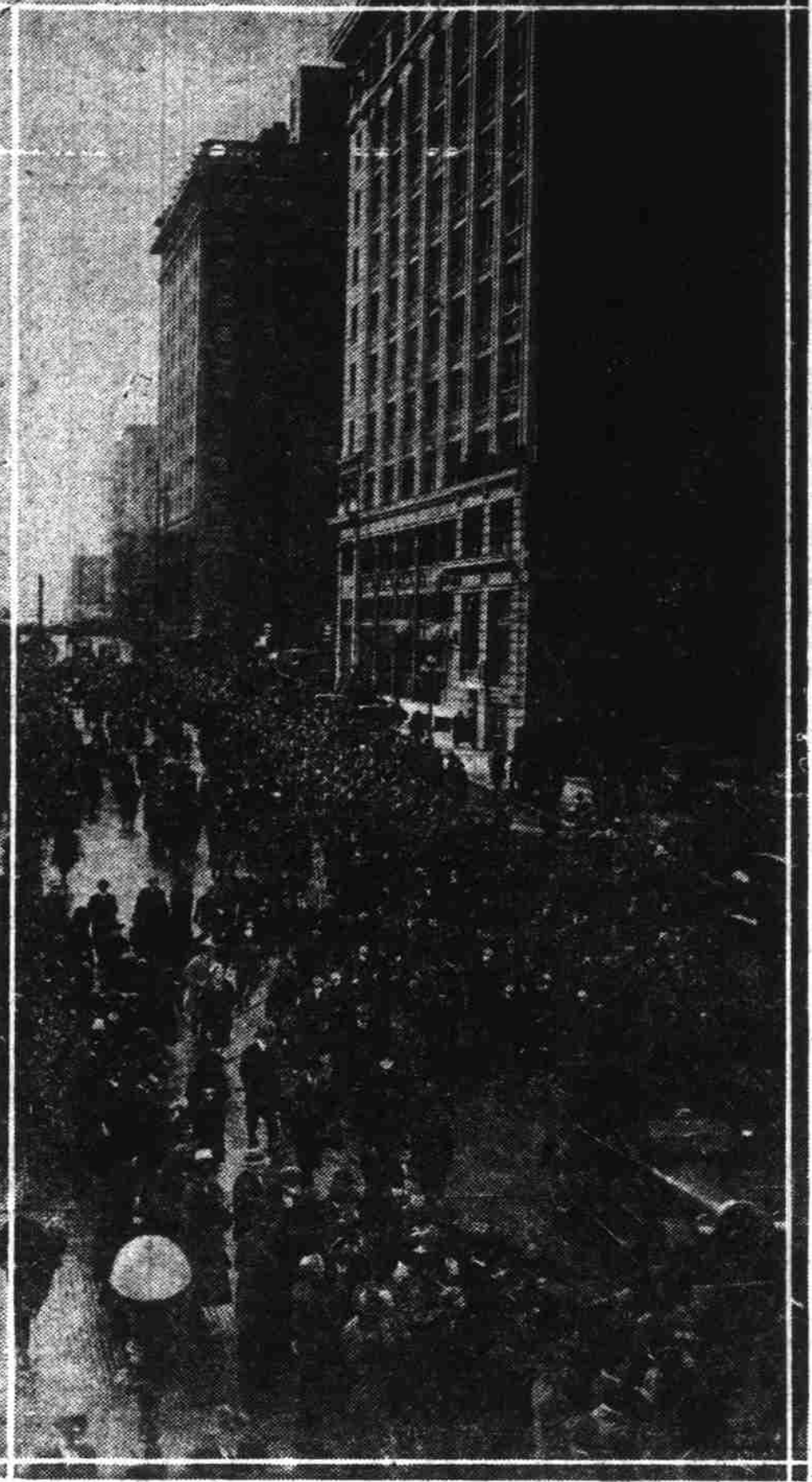
"We didn't get into it, but we just missed it," he continued. "I sure would like to have got a chance at the Boche. You know we were changed into army field artillery when we got overseas and had trained five weeks at Souge—but I guess you'd better let somebody else tell you about that."

Sergeant Willis L. Bartling of Lakeview, Or., explained the modest sergeant's cryptic remarks when he told The Journal's correspondent that soon after the arrival of the 346th in France they lost their identities as part of the 1st division.

"We trained for five weeks at Souge and were made into artillery for the first army," he said. "I don't want to brag any, but there were only two regiments of field artillery which received like recognition, the other being the 301st. We two were the only army artillery regiments in France, the in-

## NORTHWEST VETERANS BACK

MEN of 346th field artillery, including many Oregon and Washington soldiers, passing through the streets of Seattle. This is the first unit of the Ninety-first division to return from overseas and it received warm welcomes at Spokane, Seattle and Tacoma en route to Camp Lewis for demobilization.



—Photo Webster & Stevens, Photographers for Seattle Times.

structors assigning the best of the A. E. F. to that position. We were motorized and had French 75's, and you know what that gun is. I only wish we had a chance to use them."

### Many Oregonians Return

There are a number of Oregonians in the regiment, among whom are Private Peter Acton of Drewsey, Private Alfred R. Barber of Richland, Private Lawrence Barnes of Mulloy, Wagoner Wilmer A. Barnes of Albany, Wagoner Russell G. Bean of Lakeview, Private Tony Dobbio of Delmore, Private Ira A. Bolton of the Theora, Mess Sergeant John E. Burke of Plush, Private Ira W. Bradford of Richland, Private Homer Brown of Leaburg, Private Garland Campbell of Wendling, Private Antonio Berrigioni of Brookings, Sergeant Hubert Christin of LaGrande, Private Joseph Dalton of Marshfield, Private Robert C. Day of LaGrande, Private John G. Ekblad of Marshfield, Private Hadden Elliott of Narrows and Corporal Otto S. Ficken, R. F. D. No. 2, Sherwood.

The first men from the regiment will be ordered to appear before the muster- ing office Wednesday, when they will be given the preliminary examination be-

fore being discharged. It will be about two weeks before the regiment will be discharged.

Private Tony Volpe, 361st infantry, 91st division, whose home is in Portland, is among the wounded casualties who returned with the 346th field artillery. He is recovering from the effects of being gassed in the Argonne forest on October 2.

### Wounded by Shell

Another is Titus Butler of Camas, Wash., of the 23d infantry, who received severe wounds from high explosive shells July 18, at Soissons. "We were trapped in a narrow canyon called Suicide Trench, when the Germans dropped a nice barrage of lead on us," said Butler. "One high explosive shell burst near me and I got a lot of steel splinters in my leg and thigh."

Private C. C. Filange of Portland, Company C, 109th infantry, 28th division, received machine gun bullets in both legs in the Argonne forest, but is able to get around.

Guy D. Read Jr. of Portland also experienced his share of misfortune. Read was in Company D, First United States engineers, and was wounded in his right leg on the Picardy sector near Mount Didier, on May 28. Read was seven

months in the hospital and survived five operations.

James A. Ryan, of Astoria, of the 348th machine gun battalion, saw active service in Flanders. Ryan was advancing to the front lines on October 31 when a stray machine gun bullet struck him in the hip.

Charles Austin of Oswego, 305th infantry, developed a severe illness while in the trenches in the Argonne forest and was removed to the base hospital.

George Duke of Sutherlin, of Battery C, Sixty-fifth coast artillery corps, was gassed on the Verdun front on October 17. He recovered in a base hospital.

Calvin M. Evans of Oakland was wounded five times in his right leg in the Argonne forest battles.

"We went into battle at 5 a. m. on September 26 and at 11 o'clock I felt machine gun bullets peppering me from all sides. I laid on the field until 9 o'clock the next morning before I was picked up. When discovered I was nearly dead from loss of blood," said Evans.

Ben Heath of Portland, with the 123d artillery, was wounded with shrapnel on October 23.

John B. Swaney of Pendleton was in the thick of the fighting in the Argonne forest when he was taken sick in the lines and removed to a field hospital.

## Allies Ample Able To Control Russian Case, Says March

Washington, Jan. 25.—(U. P.)—Allied forces in Russia are ample large enough to control the situation, Chief of Staff March announced today. He said the department's first advice as to the recent fighting in the Archangel region showed that the Bolsheviks attacked on three sides of the allied forces, including two American forces, and had compelled evacuation of Ustpedengsk and a retreat west of Kania.

The American losses were 10 killed, 17 wounded and 11 missing in action near Ustpedengsk.

### Uses "Gas" to Start Fire

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 25.—Mistaking a can of gasoline for oil, Harold Villmore, aged 12, attempted to start a fire in his home at Assumption, near here. An explosion followed, which seriously burned the boy.

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