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## THE FIELD OF HONOR

For more than a century the mothers of France have been in the habit of telling their sons the wonderful story of the soldier who served in the ranks of Napoleon—the private who would not accept reward from the hands of his commander-in-chief. The narrative holds an inspiration to the youth of any land.

He was an ordinary Frenchman at the outset of the Napoleonic campaigns—a plain private in the ranks—but he had the soldier's heart and possessed every attribute of a great commander. Time and again he distinguished himself on the field of battle and his deeds of daring constantly attracted the attention and admiration of the emperor. Napoleon was always prompt to reward merit, and in appreciation of the soldier's gallant service he repeatedly undertook to decorate him and to give him a high commission in the grand army of France. But the soldier stubbornly refused to accept the tendered honor and promotion. The proffered mark of distinction did not appeal to him, and in his mind he was simply an ordinary soldier doing his duty and not deserving of honorable mention or high estate.

The heart of the great marshal was profoundly touched by the unselfish attitude and devotion of the soldier, and he decided to decorate him in a unique fashion and in a way that would not require the private's consent. So he issued an edict to the army setting forth the circumstances and ordered that thereafter the soldier should be known to all as "The First Private in the Ranks of the Army of the Empire." It was indeed, a splendid tribute, and the title clung to the soldier until he finally lost his life in a successful attempt to save his company's colors at Austerlitz.

When the emperor learned of his death he grieved beyond measure. In accordance with his orders, the soldier was buried on the exact spot where he had fallen. Napoleon attended the services in person and with his own hands draped the grave with the colors of the empire. Then, surrounded by the most marvelous military staff ever assembled under one command, the commander-in-chief stood uncovered in silent salute before the last remains of the humble soldier. Tears were coursing down his cheek and he seemed reluctant to leave the grave. Finally he turned to his soldiers and his voice choking with emotion ordered that the name of the dead soldier should be perpetuated on the active roll of his company, and that always when the muster was called and his name was pronounced the members of the company should answer in concert: "Absent on the field of honor."

What finer tribute could possibly have been paid to any sub-

ordinate by the greatest military genius of all ages? No wonder the youth of France love to hear the story. Nor is it wrong to surmise that the inspiration thus derived has sustained many a weary soul on the bloody fields of that unhappy country during the past three years.

It is not at all improbable that before the final curtain rings down on the greatest tragedy of all time, many of our own American boys will be missing somewhere in France. In the awful wreck of the war the identity of those who fall is sometimes too difficult to determine, and their last resting place may be uncertain; but the unknown graves of heroes are never lost to mankind. The sacrifice of blood in the cause of humanity hallows the soil on which it falls, and marks an enduring shrine so long as free men tread the earth.

And so as our boys go forth to the defense of the great republic, may they find courage in the conviction that unselfish service is the supreme test of manhood the world over, and that, whatever their fate, they have glorified themselves, their loved ones, and their country through the centuries to come.—Goodwin's Weekly.

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FOUND—A book, "The Return of Sherlock Holmes." Book may be had by calling at News office and paying for this ad.

WANTED—25 copies of Springfield News of July 9, 1917. Will pay 5 cents each. JAMES INMAN Springfield, Ore.

LOST—Child's locket, engraved "Ruth." Left in dressing room at Booth-Kelly Mill Pond. Finder please leave at News office and receive reward.

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### SOCIAL EVENTS

#### RELATIVES SURPRISE MRS. L. E. THOMPSON ON BIRTHDAY

Thursday evening a number of the relatives of Mrs. L. E. Thompson gave her a surprise birthday party at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Grace Roberts, on Third and B streets. The event was given in honor of Mrs. Thompson's 59th birthday. Delicious refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Thompson, Miss Mary Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Signor and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Roberts and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. M. Castle and baby, Mrs. Jules Dem'ck and daughter, Mrs. Alma Signor, Mrs. Grace Roberts and family and Avis Thompson.

#### SPRINGFIELD GIRL MARRIES YOUNG MAN SATURDAY

Miss Jeanette Malcher, of Springfield, and Mr. Otto C. Henson, of West Linn, Oregon, were married at Mr. Henson's home in Oregon City Saturday. Mrs. Henson is well known here having run Letkie's Cafe in partnership with her sister, Mrs. Rose Letkie. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Valentine Malcher, of this city and a sister of Mrs. F. A. Westojewka also of Springfield. Mrs. Malcher, Mrs. Hinson's mother, and Jane Letkie went to Oregon City to attend the wedding. The young couple will make their home at West Linn.

#### BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR DE ET'TA DURYEE

On Friday afternoon, Mrs. Ed Duryee gave a birthday party for her little daughter, De Etta, the occasion being her eighth birthday. Those present were: Alice Bisyard, Dorris Girard, Maxine Castle, Alene Castle, Bernice Cox, Alice Castle, Ardia Cox, Fairy Herrick, Angelina Fischer, Agnes Parker, Alma Castle, Margaret Halsey, Robert Mitchell, William Polard, Harold Bossen, Kenneth Bird, Carl Stroud, Gerald Bird. All members of Miss Edna Duryee's Sunday school class.

#### ENTERTAIN FOR NEPHEW WHO LEAVES WITH C. A. C.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Cline, who live near Pruneville entertained Tuesday with a dinner in honor of their nephew, Hallie Bryan, who was to report at the army in Eugene the next day with the Third company C. A. C. of which he is a member. Those present were: Mrs. Bryan and baby, Professor E. A. Kirkpatrick and family of Boston, Massachusetts, Hallie Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Chase, Clarence Chase, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cline and family.

#### MRS. GEO. KINTZLEY CELEBRATES 77TH BIRTHDAY

Mrs. George Kintzley celebrated her 77th birthday at her home on Ninth and G streets today with a dinner. Those who enjoyed the affair were: Mrs. L. P. Moore and daughter, Gene, Mrs. Bud Kintzley and family, Z. T. Kintzley, Mrs. Will Ketchum and

family, C. I. Gorrie, and Mr. and Mrs. George Kintzley.

#### MRS. COFFIN ENTERTAINS IN HONOR OF HOUSE GUEST

Mrs. J. W. Coffin entertained in honor of her guest, Mrs. J. J. Shepley of Portland, Thursday afternoon. A dainty lunch was served to Mrs. L. May, Mrs. O. B. Kessey, Mrs. N. W. Emery, Mrs. J. F. Goddard, Mrs. F. E. Lenhart, Mrs. Fred Bressler, Mrs. D. W. Crites, Mrs. W. L. Dunlap, and Mrs. C. E. Whiston.

#### GIVES PARTY FOR DAUGHTER.

Mrs. L. A. Danks on Thursday afternoon gave a birthday party for her little daughter, June, the occasion being her third birthday, a number of little friends enjoyed an excellent spread.

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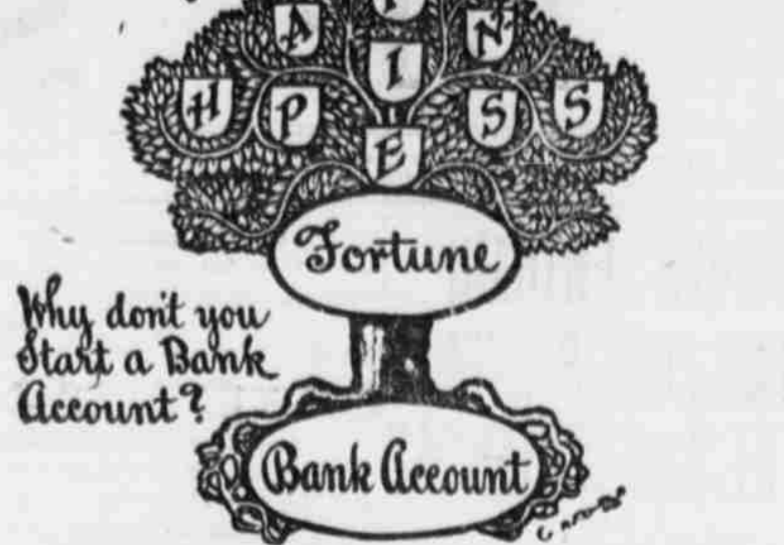
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