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# SAMMEE GETS INITIAL TASTE OF POISON GAS

Takes His Dose Manfully and Says "There's Nothin' to It"

HIS FRIENDS THE KIDS

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IN FRANCE, Sept. 13.

The other day the entire Sammee force and its first taste of poison gas. Unlike any other gas in use in the war, it did not come out of a clear rky in enemy wave or shell. Sammee took it intentionally. Company by company a ad battailon by battailon as well as regiment by regiment, the men as well as regiment by regiment, the men entered rough wooden chacks earth lined upon the exterior, staying five to ten minutes in furness that brings death in two. Each man had an his mask, it being carefully adjusted by French and American medical men, as in simple file the khaki clad passed the death portal.

I went with them and stayed with a squad. I went with them and stayed with a squad.

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I went with them and stayed with a squadof perhaps a hundred while they occupied
the chamber. It was dark as late twilight
within, and as hot as a Terrish bath. We
steed there and charted, resing each other,
clearly and, as for as I was concerned, repeating the impressions I have received
upon various portions of the French front
as to the grotesque appearance of those
about me.

There ain't nothin' to "mi," said Samee to me after we came out "Just nothin" cept it was not in there.

No single man showed any fear nor, as far as I could see, had a blauched face. It

was taken as a matter of course and as part of the game.

TRENCHES WELL NAMED.

All the practice trenches used by the American troops have been dug by the Semmes themselves under French instruction, and every trench has been named. Upon one entraining field, where saw-tooth Bindenburg line trenches are to be found, the trench names are of three men who will go down in American history. One is President of the United States and two are ex-Presidents

The treaches cover the Arme area as if The treaches cover the Aume area as i' upon the actual front, being in first, second and third line, with communicators and abris. The only difference is that the abris are shallower than in regular wardare, being but ten feet deep instead of twenty to thirty. The first line trench is known as the Wilson trench. The second line is the Taft trench and the third and last, the Roo event trench. When I asked by a facetious officer that as usual on the French front, i hast trench was the resisting trench, ar time and again had been free fig. 1. I'me and again had held true after the livit and second line had been taken. He added: "Teddy is some re-mater all right, and don't know how to say die. Guess we knew what we were about when we named these ditches."

MESSAGE TO ROOSEVELT

Writing of the ex-President brings to mind a story. Amount all the accredited Correspondents, only three have seen ser-vice with other armies and on other fromts n this war. The rest are fresh from home and as yet cannot quite grass why they cannot have a cup of coffee with their dinser instead of being compelled to take ; "en demi tasse" afterward.

At dinner last night, one who has a reputation as a humorist at home and who is resealing that reputation over this piece.

spreading that reputation over this piece

of somewhere in France, said:
"I see in the paper that Roosevelt has
accepted a job as staff member of the Kanmas City Star. So I sent a cable to Oyster Bay today, signing it 'The Accredited Cor-respondents,' and reading as follows: 'Conestulations on your advent into newspaper work. We sincerely hope you will advance sufficiently rapidly in your chosen profession so as to join us before the big war is much older." And everybody is wondermuch older." And everybody is wonder-ing if Teddy will answer, and if so, what he

SAMMEE AND THE KIDDLES

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If anybody ever tells you the old tale
of a decrease in the population in France
ask them to visit a French village outside
the actual front. He will find kids enough
to bar his passage as he goes through its
sirects and the youngsters in the villages
where Sammee is billeted are always
around the soldiers, particularly at the
mess hour. Their means of communication are: First, smiles; second, signs;
third, a few French and English words.
Upon the side of the children these words
consist mostly of "Good Night," "Good
Morning" and "Vive l'Amerique."

Upon the Sammees' side it is mostly
"Toot Sweet" which would mean "right
away" if spelled and pronounced properly,
with "Bon Jure" a strong second. These
are the principal items in Sammee's stock
of French. His big hit with the French
kiddles is in feeding them. They take to
American rice and New Orleans molasses
as a duck to water, and they like bacon,
which they call lard, pronounced "larr."
Sammee is usually there with the appetite
after his day's hiking and training, but he
is generously supplied, and always has a
little for the kiddles.

WHERE MONEY TALKS

WHERE MONEY TALKS The villages are visited daily by traveling

shops, gypsy-like long wagons with the full side opening for the display of wares. full aide opening for the display of wares. These shops sell everything from a shoe string to a blanket. They are loaded to the axies with gineracks and souvenirs, perfumery, tollet articles, pines, stockings and underwear, and a hundred other articles. Most of the stuff is of poor and gaudy quality and sold at fancy prices, but a shop is a shop and none of any kind exist in these villages. So Sammee buys whether he has needs or not. The buyer and seller make each other understand somehow.

You don't need no language to buy this

You don't need no language to buy this junk." said a Sammee to me, "hecause money talks any old kind of lingo."

Cardy and American tebacco are the two things Sammee craves most. He is supposed to be able to chain either at the commissary or the Y. M. C. A. tents and shacks, and generally can. But just at this time the demand has been received. time the demand has been greater than the supply, and until the next shipments ar-rive Sammee will have to no without his confectionery and smoke French tobacco, which he finds too unflavored and strong

#### GAS DEFENSE SCHOOLS FOR ALL CAMPS IN U. S.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20. Every man connected with the National Army and National Guard divisions, both officers and privates, will undergo a systematic instruction in gas defense before he will be considered sufficiently trained to be the considered sufficiently trained to

he will be considered sufficiently/trained to him the expeditionary forces. Divisional commanders have been instructed to organize in each caup a "school for gas defense." which will include specially constructed to the newest forms of poisonous fumes in use by the belligerent. They also will undergo similar tests in specially constructed trenches.

An expert in this new military science will be detailed to each camp from the surgeon general's office. He will be accommanded by several assistants, who will comprise the faculty of the school.

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on and Its Forgotten Civilization's the subject of a lecture to be given smoon at 1 o'clock in the Commer-seum by Arthur Stanley Dies

HENRI BAZIN SENDS PHOTOS OF THE SAMMEES IN FRANCE





The Evening Ledger's war correspondent found the American troops a busy but happy lot. Recently the Sammers got their first taste of poison gas. The pictures show them in their gas masks and emerging from the earth-lined gas chamber.

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SIX WEEKS' EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN

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MESSIAH, 18th and Jefferson sis. 19:30 a.m.—Preaching. 2:30 n.m.—Hubb School. 7:45 p.m.—Preaching and special music. Emil F. Schmidt, violinist, Schmidt Quartet and Philadelphia Orchestra.

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(LARENCE E. MACARTNEY D. D. Pastor.
10:45 s. m.—'Is There Not a Cause.'
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### CHARGES SAMMEES SAMMEES PLEDGE DO NOT GET MAIL MILLIONS TO LOAN

Cablegram Indicates Parcel Units Keenly Compete for Post Packages Also Delayed in Transit

CAN'T LOCATE TROUBLE CAMPAIGN BY PERSHING

Cablegrams and letters received in this city today indic to that percel-used packages and rewspapers are not leving delivered to the American moldlers in France.

One cablegram sent from France on Mon-

One cablegram sent from France on Monday by one of the Sammess in answer to an inquiry from his mother paid. "No packages received." A letter from this same man, dated September 28, said that no member of his hatfallon had received a single package or newspaper since landing on the other side in the middle of August.

This man's family sent five packages to him and subscribed for two da'ly newspapers for him since he left this country, according to his father. The first package was mailed during the week of Labor Daymore than month and a half ago.

"We have no control over the delivery of such nackages," said Postmaster Thermore where the laborty Loan campaign has been should be a compared to the Liberty Loan campaign has been such nackages," said Postmaster Thermore the control over the delivery of such nackages," said Postmaster Thermore the control over the delivery of such nackages," said Postmaster Thermore the control over the delivery of such nackages," said Postmaster Thermore the control of the subscriptions of the American troops 'over here' has not been announced as yet, there is every indication that it will be a record-hereker.

With the direct sametion of General Pershing, the Liberty Loan campaign has been

ton. 'We have received directions from the Washington authorities to ship all mall and parcel post for the American expeditionary forces to a certain Atlantic seaport. In foll wing up such shipments, the only thing we can do is to request the Washington authorities for the information desired. We do not know what the trouble is and have in way of finding out.'

The postoffice has received orders not to register of insure packages sent to the American forces. They are accepted at a flat rate of twelve cents per pound. It has been announced that all packages should heen announced that all packages should be mailed before November 15 for delivery

at Christmas. "The things that we have sent my son are needed badly by him and of great value to him," said his father.

The Government author/ties have recently The Government author/ties have recently devised a scheme of allowing the soldiers to notify their families of safe arrival on the other side. Before leaving this country they write postcards telling of their safe arrival and giving incidents of the trip. These will be held at the port of embarkation until the transport arrives safely at her destination. They will then be released by cable.

U. S. to Have Huge Airplane airplane which will carry twenty passed gers, a crew of five, develop 1200 hars power with eight propellers and have a stying radius of 1500 miles was revealed last night at a meeting of the Aero Cub of Philade phia in the Bellevue-Stratford by its inventor, George Landius, of New York who is at present at work perfecting this



That the United States may soon have an



CHURCH OF ST. LUKE AND THE EPIPHANY

Rev. DAVID M. STEELE, Rector. 8:96 s. m.—Early Communion. 10:96 s. m.—Sunday School. 11:96 s. m.—Morning Prayer and sermon. 4:96 p. m.—Evening Prayer, anthem and ad-The rector will preach at both services.

Unitarian FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH 9125 Chestnut at.
Rev. FREDERICK II. GRIFFIN. Minister.
11 a. m.—Mr. Griffin will preach on "The
Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes."
Anthems: Mendelssohn's "How Lovely fre
the Messengers" and Chadwick's "I Do Not
Ask. O Lord." largest amount.

Needless to say, the Sammees them selves are anxiously awaiting the result.

# ORDER IMPORTED LABOR NOT TO CARRY WEAPONS

Wilmington Authorities Take Steps to Prevent Possible Fifth Ward Episode

WILMINGTON, Del., Oct. 20, The Police Committee of City Council and the police commissioners have issued arrict orders that men imported from Philadelphia and New York to fill places of strikers at the Harian & Hollingsworth shippards must not cours wearfield.

the Harian & Hollingaworth shipparda must not carry weapons.

If h is been alleged that some of the men have been going about the city armed, and fears have been entertained lest there he a serious abouting affray. It also has been alleged by the strikers and their sympathizers that some of the strike-breakers in reality are profession if gummen, like those employed recently in the "Bloody" Fifth Ward in Philadelphia.

Samuel K. Smith, a member of the police

Ward in Philadelphia.

Samuel K. Smith, a member of the police board, also an official of the Harlan & Hollingsworth Corporation, said his company had directed that the strike-breakers (valry exists among the units here in sledging subscriptions. Each unit is endeavoring subscriptions. Each unit is en-deavoring to subscribe the largest amount. The heavy artiflery "somewhere in France" led here today with a total of \$200,000, with eleven batteries still unfound with fire irms be dismissed, and that all of them known to be carrying weapons should be sent tack to the places whence they came. Some of the local labor representatives

assert the men brought here were rounded up by the Val O'Farrell Detective Agency. Arrangements are being made for a joint meeting of the officials of the Harian & subscribed. In one battery thirty-two men-subscribed a total of \$21,000 subscribed a total of \$21,00s.

Keen on miking a fine showing for the folks back home, the Sammess have entered the campaign heart and soul. One French officer, marveling at the enthusiasm of the men. said that if they fought later on with the same spirit, the American forces would cover themselves with glory. The exact figures of the amount sub-Hollingsworth Corporation, representatives of the strikers and certain big business interests next week to try to settle the strike.

Boy Struck by Trolley Car Struck by a trolley car while crossing Sixth street near Kimball, this morning, Jo-seph Salara, seven years old, of 527 Wash-

Washington.
In sanctioning the campaign, General Pershing issued a proclamation to the ington avenue, was injured about the head and body. The child was taken to the Pennsylvania Hospital, where physicians said his real sense of the word, when the scheme condition was not serious.

LITTLE PENN DRILL IN BOMB THROWING

Baseball Player Likely Candidate for Grenade-Hurling Honors

CANTONMENT TIDINGS

CAMP MEADE, Admiral, Md., Oct. 28. When the Seventy-ninth Division starts its big drive on the western front and pushes the Huns a bit nearer Berlin the headquarters company of the 315th Infantry (Philadelphia's Own) will be in on the chase and Harry Welz, 222 West Arizona street, will be hurling bombs at the fleeing Germans. Germans.

Welz, a semiprofessional basebail player, is qualifying as a bomb thrower and is per haps the first man at Camp Meade who ha been given a chance at that service. Welz will not be the only bomb thrower in the company, but because of his baseball ex-perience is considered the most likely candidate for honors.

Basebali players make Class A bomb and grenade throwers and Captain F. A. Awi, commander of the unit, intends to utilize their ability. This company is one of the unique ones in the regiment and has a hig task to perform. Its members, or a majority, come from the selective draft district that bas its headquarters at Park and Labers averses. Not a man has been and Lehigh avenues. Not a man has been rejected on account of physical defects and not a man has been punished for violating the rigid rules of the army.

Today it was announced that this or-ganization must learn about everything in the art of war. This includes bombing, en-gine, ring, dynamiting, sharpshooting, sig-nat work and the less romantic work of keeping the regimental books.

Reeping the regimental books.

Captain Awl has a versatile crowd to train and a banch that is willing. Charife Mitchell, cook for the company, served in he regular army, and Randolph F. Beaumont, 2314 North Twelfth street, who conlucted a restaurant in North Philadelphia, as meas sergeant.

Every company has a companion and

Every company has a comedian and

unofficially he is regarded just an essential for the company as the top sergeant. And this unit has for its comedian and star entertainer Raymond Kirk, PH Argaems street. Charles Kaimeler, a real estate many from Tiogs, is his assistant and has won the distinction of being the chief dispenser of continues.

That the transfer of 6000 men from Camp That the transfer of 6060 men from Camp Meade will delay the departure of the division for France is considered certain by ranking officers at the camp. They express the epinion that in view of the late start which the division has made it will be some time in March before many of the man are sent across the seas.

are sent across the seas. Training in progressing at top-notch speed, but is still confined to fundamentals and but little out of the ordinary routins will be attempted until the men are put in

At noon today the boys will be excused from drill until Monday morning, and several thousand will leave camp for their bomes. A number of regimental football and baseball games are scheduled for this oftennoon and tomornow.

afternoon and temorrow. Passes will not be required tomorrow and General Kuhn expects a big crowd of vis-itors. He rather welcomes them, for he is anxious for the "folks back home" to learn, through personal contact with the camp, how the boys live and how they feel.

#### CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS

Quizzes on Tuesday for Federal Posts in Statistical Bureau

Civil service examinations will be held on the second floor of the Federal Building next Tue-day for the position of senior sta-tistical cierk, at a salary of \$1500 a year-statistical machine operator, Grade 1, \$1500 a year, and statistical machine operator, Grade 5, \$1200 a year. On the same date examinations will be

held for freight rate clerk (male), assistant in foreign marketing of agricultural prod-ucts (male), and investigator in foreign marketing of agricultural products (male).

MAN COMMITS SUICIDE

Constant illness so depressed John Mo-Connell, fifty years old, of 1807 East Rus-sell street, that he committed suicide to-day by inhaling gas.

He was found dead in his bedroom by a member of the family. A physician who was summoned fatled to revive him.



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