

## SOLDIER WINS PRAISE FOR SNAPPY SALUTE

General Kuhn Makes Ardmore Italian Happiest Man in Camp Meade

Captain to Take Bride

Division Officers Busy on Plans for Big Hike to Baltimore This Week

By a Staff Correspondent

**Camp Meade, April 2.**—If you want to find the happiest and proudest man at Little Penn, just visit the barracks of F Company, 304th Ammunition Train, that is nestled away among the trees near the Admiral's station, and call for Private Felice Petrini.

Unless you speak Italian it is not likely that you will get much information either about Petrini or the ammunition train for the soldiers, who hail from Ardmore, Pa., speaks but little English.

But persevere and call one of the Italian comrades and very shortly you will learn that the Ardmore man, a baker in civil life, is Camp Meade's happiest soldier in the art of saluting.

General Joseph E. Kuhn, commander of the Liberty Battalion, authority of the camp at Little Penn, and as a West Pointer with nearly thirty years' experience in the army, General Kuhn ought to be something of an expert in judging soldiers.

"The other day while Petrini was doing sentry duty on the concrete road that skirts the camp, General Kuhn rode past. Petrini saluted his commander by presenting arms, and did it with such a snap that Camp Meade's big chief, after learning the soldier's name, sent a letter to Major McKenny, commander of the Liberty Battalion, that the man who saluted so properly was given him the "most military and properly executed salute that he had seen in Camp Meade."

Petrini is mighty proud.

Naturally the major was very pleased to think that one of his men should be paid a compliment, and when he saw in the train were assembled by the general Kuhn's letter. Petrini is mighty proud and, through an interpreter, told the newspaper men that before the war he would like to prove himself worthy of the general's tribute.

"It is my first army experience," says the Italian, "but I am trying to make good. I can't put me to put the rap and punch into my salute. I am doing it."

And another proud member of the ammunition train is Captain Vincent A. Carroll, who before making his debut as an army officer was a Philadelphia lawyer, living at 1703 North Fifteenth street. Tomorrow the Captain and Miss Rosalie M. McMecham, of "Rosemary," Overbrook, will be married in the church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Overbrook.

Plans for the hike to Baltimore and parade in that city on Saturday are being worked out by General Kuhn and his staff, and will be made public as soon as they are completed. Not more than 10,000 men or approximately one-third of a complete army division will participate, but that number is sufficient to execute the maneuvers that are planned.

Definite information is lacking and all that division headquarters will give out today for publication is the fact that the detachment from the Liberty Division will march to Baltimore for the purpose of protecting that metropolis from an imaginary German invasion.

**Troops Prepare for Defense**

The maneuver, according to General Kuhn, is based upon the proposition that the American navy has been disposed of and that a fleet of German warships and transports is reported approaching the middle Atlantic coast.

"Our troops," says the official information, "are concentrating in the vicinity of the principal railroad centers near the Atlantic coast. A large detachment from Camp Meade is ordered to Baltimore."

Officers of C Company, Twenty-eighth Engineers, have given up the task of trying to find a pair of shoes that will fit Private A. L. Bunn, of Kansas City, as they have decided to have a pair made to order. Bunn is a mining engineer and spent many years in Mexico, but does not possess the feet of a soldier. The government issues shoes as small as size three and a half, but they are miles too big for Bunn. Hence a pair of made-to-order boots.

First Lieutenant John McInnes Somers, of the 31st Infantry, has been promoted to a captaincy. Lieut. Eugene W. Van Lucas, of the 304th Engineers, has been transferred to the Sixty-sixth Engineers.

**SHIPPING OF POULTRY IS BEING INVESTIGATED**

U. S. Inquiry to Determine Whether Ice Packing Causes Deterioration of Product

Washington, April 2.—Hearings to determine whether present methods of shipping ice-packed poultry bring the product in conflict with the pure food and drug act will be held here today at the Bureau of Chemistry, Department of Agriculture, with representatives of the poultry industry in attendance.

Reports have been received for some time that adulteration of poultry was brought about in many instances through melting ice. It was charged that the water absorbed by the poultry added to their weight and caused the consumer to pay an increased price for an inferior product.

Dr. Carl L. Alsberg, chief of the Bureau of Chemistry, declared that the idea had nothing to do with the war nor the food administration, but was merely a feature of the bureau's work. Probability of a ruling on the subject has before the war in order to be added to the views of all parties interested.

It is stated absolutely that it was the intention to place a ban on ice-packed shipments and allow only transportation of poultry precooled by mechanical refrigeration and then shipped in refrigerated cars. This report, said to be correct, and in the smaller poultry production orders, which would give the packers a monopoly on the business, is without any foundation, Doctor Alsberg declared.

**POTATO GROWERS CONVENE**

Increase in Lehigh County Production Is Topic at Allentown

Allentown, Pa., April 2.—That Lehigh County ought to produce five or six million bushels of potatoes a year instead of only two is the spirit of a meeting held in the rooms of the Allentown Chamber of Commerce, at which the potato growers of the Lehigh Valley, one of the foremost potato districts of the United States, who left for the nation's capital for the purpose of presenting their case to the War Food Administration in Washington, are meeting under the auspices of the Lehigh County Potato Growers' Association.

The meeting was held at the Hotel of Mr. Hoover.

## GOVERNOR'S WIFE SERVES FOOD WITH SENATOR'S FOR SOLDIERS

Mrs. Harrington and Mrs. Wadsworth Fill Niches at Camp Meade's Y. W. C. A. Hostess House, Writes National Army Man to Sister

**Camp Meade, Md., April 1.**

DEAR BETTY—A big limousine rolled up to our Hostess House today and a stylishly dressed woman, decidedly aggressive and active, stepped into the building. A wistful girl who was on the porch, making her knitting needles go at a rapid rate, did not have to cease work on a sweater to inquire of a newspaper man the identity of the visitor.

"That woman," answered the scribbler, "is Mrs. Wadsworth, wife of United States Senator Wadsworth. She is an active war worker and in a few minutes you will see her behind the lunch counter."

A tiny service flag was pinned to the lapel of the young girl with the wistful eyes and deft fingers. Then, just like all women whether they are wistful or not, she kissed the emblem.

"So that is Senator Wadsworth's wife," said she. "Well, women are doing a noble work in this war, but doing no more than they ought to. I am trying to do the best I can, knitting for the soldiers, selling thrift stamps—and I'm going to enter the Liberty Loan campaign."

Presently a woman slightly older than Mrs. Wadsworth entered the building. She was known to the knitter. It was Mrs. Harrington, wife of Maryland's Governor, and she, too, serves behind the lunch counter.

I could give you more of the young woman's conversation, but one sentence is sufficient to illustrate its import. She says that "War, the Leveler," is quite busy in the Camp Meade home of the Y. W. C. A. And, believe me, that assertion summarizes the activities of that organization perfectly.

There is but one cause that prompts such women as Mrs. Wadsworth and Mrs. Harrington to don white aprons and serve food at the Hostess House. That cause is PATRIOTISM, which I have spelled in big capital letters.

If anybody thinks that service in the Hostess House is a sure thing they ought to try it a few days, and particularly on rush days. Then they would appreciate that serving consommé, fish cakes, lettuce salad, chocolate pudding and ice cream to hungry civilian attaches of the camp and soldiers, who are a trifle more hungry, is real work.

When Mrs. Wadsworth took her place behind the pile of hot fish cakes I ventured to ask her how she liked the work.

"Fine," she replied, "I really enjoy every minute of the time. It gives me a bit of real work to do and brings me in close contact with the war machine."



GEORGE SULLY, JR. Son of the Rev. and Mrs. George Sully, of Germantown, who left the city last Saturday for the school of aeronautics at Cornell University. He is a graduate of the International Y. M. C. A. College at Springfield, Mass., and has spent the winter at Camp McClellan as physical director.

### HOCKES HOCH DER KAISER

German Barbers, Brothers, Beaten and Arrested at Norristown

Norristown, Pa., April 2.—John Hocke is in the Norristown Hospital and his brother, Christian, is in the Norristown lockup as a result, it is charged, of giving repeated cheers on the streets of Norristown for the Kaiser, and asserting, when arrested, that they were not afraid of being interned.

Their utterances were resented by several patriotic citizens passing by. Hocke was struck and the Hocke brothers, who live at 2235 East Turner street, and have a barber shop at Midvale avenue and the Ridge road, East Falls, were badly injured. John Hocke had several stitches put in his head at the hospital.

The police do not know who struck the blows which prostrated the Kaiser's supporters.

### RIFLE RANGE TRAINING OPENS AT McCLELLAN

Inquiry Boards Named to Probe Suicide and Accidental Shooting at Camp

**Camp McClellan, Annapolis, Md., April 2.**

Having successfully bombarded with big guns every kind of an enemy position that could be created in the imagination of the artillery experts here, the entire Fifty-fourth Artillery Brigade today started their round of work on the rifle ranges with their Springfield rifles.

Following the gunnery of the last two weeks, during which they kept the valleys ringing with the snap of shrapnel and the boom of three and six inch guns, both by day and by night, the work with the smaller weapons will probably prove a novelty to the artillerymen. But every one of them is to be put through the usual course of fire.

Lieutenant Colonel Claude A. Lanterman, of the 112th Heavy Field Artillery, and for many years one of the officers on the big national rifle shooting range at Sea Girt, has been detailed in charge of practice for the brigade.

It will probably extend over into next week, but the three regiments may complete the course this week.

Two special boards of inquiry have been named in the division to investigate shootings. One board, consisting of Major Jerome L. Opie, 116th Infantry; Captain Herbert L. Grymes, 115th Infantry; and Captain Henry F. Robb, 115th Infantry, was named to investigate the suicide of Paul A. Little, Westminster, Md., who shot himself while on guard duty at a warehouse in the camp of the 112th Machine Gun Battalion, in which outfit he was a private.

### KEYSTONE INSIGNIA POPULAR AT HANCOCK

Emblem of Pennsylvania National Guard Seen on All Sides and With Variations

**Camp Hancock, Augusta, Ga., April 2.**

The Keystone insignia of the Twenty-eighth Division is making its appearance everywhere at Camp Hancock. The name "the Keystone Division" has been selected as the unofficial designation of the old Pennsylvania National Guard, which is encamped at Camp Hancock, and the keystone with the letters "P. U. S." has been selected as the official insignia of the division.

The selection of the name and insignia was announced about the middle of March and since then keystone has blossomed everywhere on trucks, on trunks, boxes, stationery and in every other conceivable place.

So favorably have the Keystone insignia gripped the Pennsylvanians at Camp Hancock that the various units have adopted it with combinations of colors to match their respective organizations. Headquarters in white; the artillery, a red base with devices; the infantry, a blue base with devices; the engineers, a red and white base with devices; the motor supply train, a black base with devices; and the sanitary train, a green base with devices.

That the Keystone name and insignia are pleasing back home is contained in a recent letter from the Adjutant General of Pennsylvania to Major General Charles M. Muir, Camp Hancock commander, in which he expresses the appreciation of Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh for the distinction conferred upon the State in the selection of the unofficial name and insignia.

Colonel Ashur Miner has returned from Fort Sill, Okla., and has resumed command of his regiment, the 109th Field Artillery. He has been absent from Camp Hancock for almost three months, leaving here during January with six other colonels of the Twenty-eighth division for the officers' training camp at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He is the first of the colonels to return.

Six hundred soldier from Camp Travis, Texas, arrived at Camp Hancock yesterday after being on the road several days. They are recruits for the division and will be used to bring the division up to the required strength. They will in all probability be distributed throughout the division, although no official announcement has been made.

### CANADA BARS EXPORTS

Embargo to Save Tonnage Goes Into Effect April 15

Ottawa, April 2.—American consuls throughout Canada have been notified that in order to conserve tonnage after April 15 export of a large number of articles to the United States will be refused unless by special license. Among the articles upon which the embargo will be placed are agricultural implements, live animals, except for breeding; asbestos, all breadstuffs, except wheat and wheat flour; cars, carriages and other vehicles; eggs, explosives, fruits, nuts, gelatin, gold and silver, manufacturers' hay, honey, hops, matches, fresh meats, pickled, pickles, plants, trees, shrubs and vines; graphite, pyrites, malt liquors, wines, vegetables and zinc.

### GERMANS NEAR KURSK

Petrograd, April 2.—A German army is within thirty-three miles of Kursk (230 miles southwest of Moscow), Katerinofskaya has been cut off from railway communication and Pottava has been bombed and is burning. The city has been abandoned by the Soviet forces. It is reported that Sebastopol is threatened by the Turks, who are within sixteen and a half miles of the city, and from the east by the advancing Kurds.

### RADNOR TOWNSHIP VOTES MONEY

Radnor township general appropriations for the current year total \$44,326, of which \$20,000 is for highways, \$12,000 for administration, \$1500 for the Board of Health, \$1200 for fire hydrants, \$1200 for police, \$250 for fire hydrants and the rest for miscellaneous items.

### Y. M. C. A. GOODS CAPTURED

Germany Get Equipment Valued at \$30,000—Woman Worker Killed

Paris, April 2.—More than \$20,000 worth of equipment, sent by the American army Y. M. C. A. to the British front for American railway engineers and other American units, virtually all has fallen into the hands of the Germans. The Y. M. C. A. men moved their positions four times. They abandoned a large wooden building, two large tents and a quantity of supplies.

The only casualty among the Y. M. C. A. workers at the front has been that of Miss Marion G. Brandell, previously reported killed by a shell.

### Siam to Send Fliers to Aid Allies

San Francisco, April 2.—Siam's contribution to the Allies' cause will be an aviation corps of 200 members, according to Frank D. Arnold, former chargé d'affaires at Bangkok, who arrived here from Siam on his way to Washington.

### MEAT PRICES JUMP

Raise of 2½ Cents Is Blamed on Low Receipts

Chicago, April 2.—Better cuts of meat have been increased about two and one-half cents all over the country, is announced by representatives of packing concerns. The increase was due to the lightness of cattle receipts, it was said, and is customary at this time of year. Abolishment of meatless days had nothing to do with the increase, it was said.

### "Good Fellows" Meet Tonight

Timely topics will be discussed by well-known speakers tonight at the regular meeting of the "Good Fellows," which will take place at the Rosemont, Second street below Walnut. Addresses will be made by Brigadier General W. R. D. Blackwood, of the Reserve Engineers; Colonel George Fox McCain and Henry M. Eaton, of the food administration.

### AUTO SCHOOL READY FOR DIX SOLDIERS

Special Instruction in Handling Motor Vehicles to Be Given National Army Men

Special Telegram to Public Ledger

**Camp Dix, Wrightstown, N. J., April 2.**

Unit commanders will detail men this week to attend the Camp Dix automobile school, which is ready to begin work under the direction of Captain Carter, of the Motortruck Company. The classes will be divided into eight sections, which will meet about three times a week, each period lasting two hours.

More than \$2000 worth of equipment has been received by H. A. Townsend, educational director of the Y. M. C. A., who is the prime mover in the establishment of the school, which will be patterned after the Y. M. C. A. school at Newark, N. J. The equipment will be moved into the workshop of the motor company, which will be used for instruction purposes and which will contain all the necessary appliances for detailed study.

Artillerymen of the Seventy-eighth Division had an opportunity of getting in some real practice yesterday when the new 300-yard rifle range was opened. The three batteries of the 1st Artillery Brigade, Brigadier General C. C. Hearn, commander, with the field officers, received their first instructions and the range will be occupied nearly every day from now on, as officers and men are very anxious to complete their training and get "over there."

### Named Highway Commissioner

Trenton, April 2.—Governor Edge has appointed Robert S. Parson, of Nulley, as highway commissioner of the Erie Railroad Company, as a member of the State Highway Commission to succeed the late Colonel Edwin A. Stevens. Mr. Parson is a graduate of Rutgers College.

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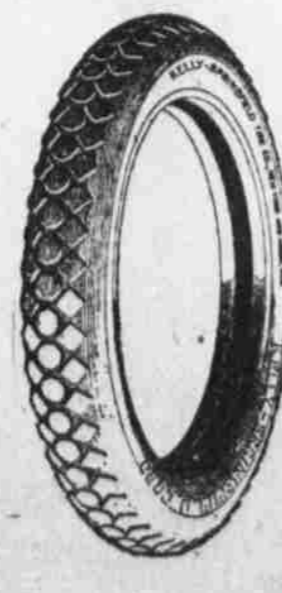
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