

406TH BATTALION TO PARADE IN CITY

Big Telegraph Unit, Landed Yesterday, Will March Some Day This Week

MANY PHILADELPHIANS

The 406th Telegraph Battalion, which landed at New York yesterday from overseas service, will parade in Philadelphia some day this week.

The battalion was recruited from among the employees of the Bell Telephone Company in Pennsylvania. Company E of the battalion is made up entirely of Philadelphians, while virtually every other company in the outfit has a fair representation of Philadelphians in its ranks.

Following the parade the men will be the guests of the Philadelphia branch of the telephone company at a reception and dinner at Scottish Rite Hall. Arrangements for the celebration are awaiting final action in naming the day by the military authorities, who have already promised that the arrangements will be made.

The 406th landed from the transport Seattle yesterday and were sent to Camp Merritt, Yonkers, N. Y. The stay there will be short and the men will be transported to Camp Dix early this week. The unit will be demobilized there.

Base Hospital Unit No. 31, organized at the Episcopal Hospital, and the 11th Transport Corps, originally the Nineteenth Engineers, reorganized in and around this city, arrived in New York aboard the transport Walter A. Luckenbach.

Major Alva B. Johnson, Jr., son of the president of the Baldwin Locomotive Works, is commander of the transportation unit. Many employees of the company of which his father is president joined the unit when it was recruited here.

The base hospital unit returned under the command of Lieutenant Samuel H. Geller, of Manheim. Both the hospital and transport unit saw the hardest kind of service and Philadelphians returning in their membership were loud in their rejoicing at being back in this country again. The men will be discharged some time this week, probably from Camp Dix.

Major Thomas W. Gilkison, a lawyer, with offices at 1211 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, also returned after an interesting experience as a diplomatic courier for the Peace Conference. He went to France with the ordinance department fourteen months ago and was stationed at Tours. When the big fight started in the Argonne he was assigned to that area.

SUMMER SCHOOL CHANGES

Courses Added to Penn Session Which Opens July 7

The fifteenth annual session of the summer school of the University of Pennsylvania will open on July 7, according to a statement by Dr. H. Lamar Crosby, director of the session.

As a result of the changes brought about by the war, many additional courses are in demand among those who have signified their intention of enrolling. More Spanish courses will be offered this year, under the charge of Dr. Romera Navero. French is also in great demand. German is continued, although indications are that the classes will be smaller.

The growing demand for professional instruction for teachers has been recognized by the school of education, and every member of its staff is to offer summer work. A special feature of this work will be a school of observation and a demonstration high school, both of which will be held in the Newton Public School.

Boy Dies After Fall in Garage

William E. Murphy, Jr., 211 South Willow Grove Pike, Glenside, Pa., died today in the Abington Memorial Hospital from injuries received on Saturday when he fell from the second floor of the garage of W. E. Brocht to the cement floor below. The boy was playing in the garage at the time of the accident. He suffered a fractured skull. He was the son of William E. Murphy, general passenger agent of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway.

ATTENTION, FICTION FANS! MEET A REGULAR HERO!

Cowboy, Sailor, Soldier and Sleuth, Who Escaped Shrapnel, Victim of Cupid

Alvon P. Mosier Wouldn't Let Enemy Get Him; Miss Anna Williams Bride-to-Be



ALVON P. MOSIER

Ladies and gentlemen, this will introduce Alvon P. Mosier, city detective, once a newspaper editor, later a man-of-warman, still later a regular in Pershing's army—now home again from the wars, wounded, but "back on the job" rounding up crooks as he once used to round up steers—with a life behind as full of adventure as one of Zane Grey's or Richard Harding Davis's novels.

That romance should not be lacking here, too, is Miss Anna Williams, step-daughter of Captain Boyd, of the Philadelphia and Reading police force, who was engaged to Mosier when he went off and got wounded. The last time she saw him was in the hospital. Mosier still walks with a limp from a wound in the thigh, where German shrapnel "got" him, and sometimes his voice is a little husky from the effects of German gas.

His mouth is half full of new teeth that replace those a German gas shell got shot away, but otherwise he is just as good as ever.

A Life of Thrills

His life is full of dramatic high lights. He has circumnavigated the globe twice, crossing the Pacific twice and the Atlantic six times, and has been shipwrecked, scalded, shot and otherwise messed up. He was a hero before the hero business began on a wholesale scale in the "late unpleasantness."

Mosier, who is 28 years old, hails from near Southard, Oklahoma, where, among the Apaches and stem-winding rattlesnakes, he kept his father's flock, like Ossian's hero. Away out there on the range the sea entered him and he embarked in the United States navy, in which he has done two hitch-hikes, seeing about all there is to see.

In 1916 Mosier was on the armored cruiser Memphis, formerly the Tennessee, when a West Indian hurricane picked that old hooker up bodily and flung it on the rocks of Santo Domingo city. It was "some blow."

The impaled Memphis lost about 100 men.

Swat for the Spigories

The crew camped ashore. One day the marines, nearby, got into a "scrap" with some of the black "spigories" revolutionists in those parts, and Mosier, although a bluejacket, got into the row gun. He took from one "rev" a couple of gaudy, silver-plated six-shooters, which he prizes as trophies today.

GIRL RESCUED BY MARINES

Service Men Overcome After Fighting Blaze on North Front Street

Two marines, one from Paris Island, S. C., and the other from Key West, were so overcome with smoke while fighting a North Front street fire last night that one became unconscious and the other in worse condition, was taken to the Episcopal Hospital.

The fire occurred at the home of Mrs. Sarah Thompson, 2513 North Front street. Mrs. Thompson had sent her little girl upstairs with a lighted lamp and in some manner the blaze was started.

The two marines, Charles Bauer, 2446 North Water street, and George Abrams, heard the alarm and arrived before the firemen. They carried the child from the house and proceeded to put out the fire. Bauer was taken to the hospital and Abrams was treated on the spot.

10 Days for "Strike Propaganda"

Aaron Shapiro, thirty-three years old, of 427 1/2 Vinon street, was given ten days in the county jail by Magistrate Harris at the Thirty-second street and Woodland avenue station, this morning, for pasting up "general strike" propaganda in a westbound Girard avenue trolley.

VETERAN OF LINE HOME ONCE MORE

Philadelphia Surgeon, 60, Died Oslerization Where Boche Bullets Flew

GASSED, ALSO 'GOLDFISHED'

Lieutenant Colonel William E. Ashton, M. C., the oldest officer to see active front line service, has returned home. He is sixty years old and took part in all the major operations with the First Army from the time of its organization. His home is at 2011 Walnut street.

Colonel Ashton was chief medical officer of the 509th Field Artillery. He returns with a wound stripe, for he was gassed at Grand Pre in the Argonne drive while going to the rescue of officers and men of another division who were wounded and killed by a boche shell.

Had Enough "Canned Bill"

This gray-haired veteran officer, who is "fed up on canned willie and goldfish," as he explained it today, is, in civil life, Dr. William E. Ashton, for twenty-four years a professor of abdominal surgery at Medico-Chief. "Goldfish" is army slang for canned salmon.

Major General Hersey wrote Colonel Ashton a personal letter of thanks for his volunteer service at Grand Pre. The letter thanks the veteran for his "wonderful devotion in hurrying to our aid that evening on the 19th of October, when we were so sorely stricken at our 15th Brigade headquarters." A high explosive shell fell among enlisted men and officers at this headquarters of the Seventy-eighth Division as mess was being served. Twelve men were killed; and among the officers wounded was Captain Twardell, of Decon.

Through Clouds of Gas

Colonel Ashton went with the ambulance that hurried to the brigade P. C. and personally aided the wounded. On the return the Germans gassed the road and Colonel Ashton was gassed as he rode in the ambulance.

He served with the division through the Toul sector trench-training period and then in the major operations of the St. Mihiel attack and the Argonne-Meuse offensive to the signing of the armistice. He hiked from Pont-a-Mousson to Sedan and from Sedan back to Verdun.

Action After 22 Years' Service

Although he has served in the army for twenty-two years with medical units, Captain William H. Williamson, of Frankford, said he had to go through this war to experience some real thrills. The captain was met at the pier by his wife, who had not seen him for seventeen months, the time he had been in France.

Flint Doesn't Wait: Is "Over Top"

Flint, Mich., April 21.—(By A. P.)—The city of Flint, with a quota of \$3,150,031 in the Victory Liberty Loan, yesterday subscribed nearly \$3,500,000, while other cities were preparing to open their campaigns today. The volunteer booth plan was used and only five hours was required to reach the quota.

CHALLENGES STATE'S POWER OVER PHONES

Counsel for Postoffice Department Argues Lack of Jurisdiction

U. S. ASKS INJUNCTION

Pittsburgh, April 21.—C. M. Bracelen, special counsel of the Postoffice Department, before Judge Buffington, of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, and Judge Dickason, of the United States District Court of Philadelphia, and Judge Thomson, of Pittsburgh, contended that the state of Pennsylvania has no jurisdiction in the matter of regulating telephone rates of the Bell Telephone Company because that company is merely acting as an agent of the federal government in this state.

The argument, was on the government's application for an injunction restraining the State Public Service Commission and Attorney General Schaffer from interfering with the government's wire rates. Attorney General Schaffer, with several assistants and special counsel, represented the state.

The United States will lose \$10,000 daily unless the injunction is granted, Mr. Bracelen said in the course of his argument. He said the government asked not only for an injunction in this special case, but an injunction restraining the state authorities from interfering in other cases.

Attorney General Schaffer said it was the intention of the state to seek injunctions against the Western Union, Postal Telegraph and independent lines. Judge Buffington interrupted Mr. Bracelen on several occasions, especially on the point of jurisdiction, upon which the government's argument was founded.

Mr. Bracelen, at one point declared it was his belief that the postmaster general should disregard the state courts and instruct his agents to enforce the new rates, then with the first arrest, to institute habeas corpus proceedings and carry it to the highest court if necessary. The postmaster general is proceeding mildly, however, he said.

Concluding his argument Mr. Bracelen said:

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len said: "No law ever enacted in this state gives the public service commission the power to regulate a Federal agency, and the telephone and telegraph system is such an agency. It is no more subject to the jurisdiction today than is that part of the post office department, which happens to be within this state. The telephone and telegraph systems in this state, as well as in the United States, are now being operated by and for the government of the United States."

Washington, April 21.—Upon the government's motions, the Supreme Court today agreed to hear on May 5 next arguments in test cases from South Dakota and Massachusetts involving the right of Postmaster General Burleson to interfere with existing interstate telephone toll rates.

Lawyers familiar with the court's procedure said today that in view of the importance of the question involved it was possible that a decision might be given at this term.

The South Dakota suit resulted from State Supreme Court decrees enjoining four telephone companies in that state from increasing their toll rates as ordered by the postmaster general. Similar proceedings have been instituted in twenty-one states, in nine of which decisions against the postmaster general have been rendered while in eight they have been in his favor. Four cases are now pending.

The Supreme Court also agreed to review Massachusetts Supreme Court decrees dismissing proceedings instituted by the State Public Service Commission to prevent the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company from increasing its rates in compliance with an order issued by Mr. Burleson.

Jackson, Miss., April 21.—The Mississippi Supreme Court today reversed a finding of Chancellor Lamar Easterling and issued a decree granting a perpetual injunction to restrain the Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company from enforcing new rates on interstate telephone messages promulgated by Postmaster General Burleson.

Advertisement for Thommen's Restaurants, featuring breakfast, suggestions for cereals and cream, and contact information.

Large advertisement for Mawson & DeMany fur remodelling, located at 1215 Chestnut Street, featuring various fur services and pricing.

Advertisement for Bonwit Teller & Co. featuring Bontell Jersey sports clothes, with a list of items and prices.

Advertisement for Bonwit Teller & Co. featuring women's gowns, with a list of items and prices, and an illustration of a woman in a gown.

Advertisement for Joseph S. Darlington & Co. Inc. featuring a Gingham Week Sale of Silks, with a list of items and prices, and an illustration of a woman in a gown.