

ADVANCED 12 MILES IN 19-DAY BATTLE

Record of 79th Division, Trained at Camp Meade, Praised by General Pershing

BOYS COMING HOME SOON

Nineteen and a half kilometers advance in nineteen days of battle—this is the record of Pennsylvania's noted Liberty Division, the Seventy-ninth, which will soon be home from France.

Official announcement of the achievements of the Pennsylvania national army division is made in a letter which General Pershing sent to Major General Joseph E. Kuhn, commander of the division, after he reviewed the men at Andelot, France, on April 12.

"A fine record for any division" is General Pershing's comment on the fighting of the boys who trained at Camp Meade. This division went into action without any preliminary preparation in trenches, the only division which made good under similar conditions in the entire A. E. F.

General Pershing's letter of commendation, which gives the full record of the division's fighting, follows:

"It afforded me great satisfaction to inspect the Seventy-ninth Division on April 12, and on that occasion to decorate the standards of your regiments and, for gallantry in action, to confer medals upon certain officers and men. Your transportation and artillery were in splendid shape, and the general appearance of the division was well up to the standard of the American expeditionary forces.

Throughout the inspection and review the excellent attitude of the men and their pride in the record of their organizations was evident.

"In the Meuse-Argonne offensive the division had its full share of hard fighting. Entering the line for the first, on September 26 as the right of the center corps, it took part in the offensive. By September 27 it had captured the strong position of Montfaucon, and in spite of heavy artillery reaction the Bois de Beuge and Nantillois were occupied. On September 30 it was relieved, having advanced ten kilometers. It again entered the battle on October 29, relieving, as part of the Seventeenth French corps, the Twenty-ninth Division in the Grand Montagne sector to the east of the Meuse river.

From that time until the armistice went into effect, it was almost constantly in action. On November 9, Crepin, Wavreille and Giberey were taken, and in conjunction with elements on the right and left, Etzax and Moirey were invested. On November 10, Chaumont-d'Armentières was occupied, and on November 11, Ville-devant-Chaumont was taken, a total advance of 9 1/2 kilometers.

"This is a fine record for any division and I want the officers and men to know this and to realize how much they have contributed to the success of our arms. They may return home justly proud of themselves and of the part they have played in the American expeditionary forces."

Avaling Transportation
This unusual tribute from the commander-in-chief was received by the Lorraine Cross boys just a week before they left the Andelot area, just north of Chaumont, the American general headquarters, for the Nantes area, where they have been awaiting transportation home.

The division began leaving for France on July 4. It was then known as the "Liberty Division," a name which later was taken from it to justify the Liberty Statue on the left sleeves of the New York city division. It was then that the Lorraine Cross, the lucky piece of all France, was adopted for the Seventy-ninth Division. All of its fighting was in the old department of Lorraine, where every building is decorated with the double white cross of Lorraine.

Most of the infantry regiments landed in France on the day the tide turned in the great war—July 18, the day American divisions jumped into Foch's great counter-offensive. They landed at Brest and within a week were billeted in the training areas near Ponthoivy about 100 kilometers directly west of Belfort, the southern end of the western front. Here until September 7 the division was in training.

The movement to the front began on that day and lasted until September 10, when it was in reserve position near Bar-le-Duc while the First American Army drove in the St. Mihiel salient. On September 15 the movement began toward the Argonne front.

The division during the five days that followed the capture in the woods four kilometers back of the front, Montfaucon, fully justified Pershing's faith in it. It was one of two divisions which had qualities of even hastily trained Pen never been in trenches for preliminary "under-fire" training. But its record. The first two days, the van of the

WHERE SEVENTY-NINTH FOUGHT



Map showing the operations of the 79th Division in the Argonne region, including locations like Montfaucon, Nantillois, and various battle positions.

Seen in the Chestnut St. Shops



Once more the city is settling down to normal life. The numerous unusual sights incident to the Victory Loan campaign, closely followed by the inspiring parade of the flower of our youth, the gallant heroes of the Iron Division, are already things of the past, but a never-fading distraction still remains—the Chestnut Street Shops.

Delomah Squash

WHAT will be the secret feelings of the general when he ceases to be in active service? Surely he will miss all the honors accorded his rank, his splendid opportunities of leading others on the path to glory, and even the trappings of his station, the snug uniform that seemed a very part of himself! But for the last he can find a happy substitute at Jacob Reed's Sons, 1424-26 Chestnut street, in "the Reed," a practical jacket developed to capably serve the purpose of business. Liberally cut and engagingly tailored in Weavels and Plain Weaves, the man who is heavy through the chest and shoulders will find unusual comfort in this garment, and, while conventional in aspect, the splendid set-up shoulders, shepherd lapels and well-placed waist give it a thoroughly distinctive character.

ALL the fresh Fruits of Spring are now to be found at Henry R. Hallowell & Son's, Broad below Chestnut street, and new varieties continue coming in daily. The big, sweet Strawberries from nearby points are finer than they have been; the Florida Watermelons make one dream of the good old summer time; the magnificent California Tartarian Cherries, being more plentiful, are much less expensive than last week; and the luscious Florida Honey Peaches, the first of the season, considered by many to be the sweetest, juiciest and finest-flavored peach grown, will probably have arrived by this morning. Beurre d'Anjou Pears, too, are still to be had, and all may be quickly and successfully shipped anywhere by parcel post, special delivery.

IT SHOULD be borne in mind that

during the summer the porch is the common meeting place of family and friends. Probably more time is spent there than in any other part of the house, consequently it should be made as attractive and comfortable as possible. Fritz & La Rue, 1124 Chestnut street, carry a large and exceptionally good-looking assortment of Japanese Fiber Porch Rugs, and of them the Kobes are perhaps the most distinctive, differing radically from the others in being composed of 18-inch squares, the number of which are fastened together to make the desired size. Being of an extra-heavy rope-twisted fiber, they lie very flat, with no danger of blowing off the porch, and the effect of the hand-woven patterns is somewhat similar to parquetry flooring.

FOR Him—a Scarf Pin. Methinks he deserves to be remembered at the wedding. Yet every one but the bride forgets his existence. Scarf Pins are being worn more than ever, they tell me at Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company, where there is a collection remarkable for its beauty and good taste, and if you have observed men's scarf pins at other shops you will see how apt they are to be freakish and garish. At Bailey's the designs are unique, no two alike, though the diamond pins usually contain one important gem, surrounded by smaller stones in fancy settings. Other jewels, too, are in demand: emeralds, pearls, black opals and rich velvety-blue sapphires, either cut or cabochon, are especially a man's stone.

THE CHESTNUT STREET ASSOCIATION

RADNOR WILL BUILD COMMUNITY HOUSE

Historic old Conestoga road will give its name to a community house in the eastern section of Radnor township that will serve as a memorial to services in the war of boys from Whitehall, Plans, Garret Hill and Radnor. The name has been chosen by a new organization, whose members reside in the eastern end of Radnor township extending from Whitehall, near Bryn Mawr Hospital, to Radnor. The organization is headed by William Struthers Ellis, of Fox Hills Farms, president of the Radnor township board of commissioners. It intends to raise funds by a campaign for the purchase of ground and the erection of a center or community building. The organization will arrange a welcome home for the soldiers and sailors of the communities represented. The three vice presidents are Thomas McKean, Mrs. Alfred Lowry and Miss Alice Bresse. Frank E. Fleck is secretary and Jesse H. Hall treasurer. The executive committee includes Robert Kelso Cascott, W. Barkley Henry, Frank B. McGuigan, Mrs. Rob-

HELD AS U. S. BOND THIEF

\$250,000 Robbery Alleged Against Government Inspector Chicago, May 19.—(By A. P.)—With the arrest of Thomas Westover, formerly an inspector at a government explosive plant in West Virginia, federal agents today hoped to solve the mystery of the theft last January of \$250,000 in Liberty bonds from the Studebaker corporation, of South Ben. Ind. Julius Robertson, a Secret Service operative, alleges he heard Westover and two other men discussing the theft of the bonds while on a train en route from South Bend to Chicago a few days ago. He lost all trace of the men after they left the train here until Saturday night, when he found Westover in a downtown hotel. According to Robertson, one of the men said that the proposition of returning the bonds had been "put up to" E. R. Erskine, president of the Studebaker Corporation, and that he declined to pay a reward for their return.

Holstein Breeders to Meet Here

Hundreds of delegates, representing the 11,000 members of the Holstein-Friesian Association of America, breeders of pure bred Holstein cattle, will come to Philadelphia from all parts of the United States and Canada at the end of this month for the organization's annual convention June 2 at the Bellevue-Stratford. In connection with the convention will be the annual sale, widely known for its great number of fine examples of the Holstein breed, both from the standpoint of conformation and production.

Advertisement for Ramezes Cigarettes featuring a speech bubble that says "Nobody ever changes from RAMESES CIGARETTES Nobody!" and a pack of cigarettes.

Advertisement for The Philadelphia Art Galleries, featuring a list of art objects for sale, including jewelry, paintings, and furniture, with a price schedule effective May 12th.

Large advertisement for Pennsylvania Vacuum Cup 6,000 Mile Tires and Pennsylvania "Ton Tested" Tubes, featuring a large image of a tire and a detailed price schedule table.

Advertisement for Shipfitters and Ship Blue Print Reading, offering courses and services.

Advertisement for Cameras, Developing, Printing, and Enlargements, located at Chestnut St. 812.