

CAPT. NICODEMUS TELLS OF FRANCE

Tells of Hard Work at Headquarters of Keystone Division

Portions of three letters from Captain E. A. Nicodemus of the Quartermasters Corps, which follow, tell interestingly of his experiences in the war zone. Captain Nicodemus is disbursing officer of the 28th Division. He was a resident of Harrisburg and is well-known here as a physician and former officer of the Governor's Troop. In letters to his mother, Mrs. Rebecca Nicodemus, 2017 North Fifth street, he says:

Officers' Rest House and Mess, June 23, 1918. I am in my room which faces the square or Place de Marche. Under normal conditions it is an assembly place for musical concerts and three times a week is the market. The farmers erecting a canvas roof over tables they bring with them. Now it is a repair shop for crippled lorries and autos. The place is full of machines, forges and work benches. Some of the tools are badly worn and some have been shelled.

This is only eight or nine miles back of the lines and we have plenty going on. The front is very quiet now as the other fellow is moving troops north against the British and south to assist the Austrians.

We are making a preparatory to a drive and I hope it will be a hard one, for they are the only ones that will count from now on.

I am staying here with 266 men and one officer until Tuesday. The men, clerks, guards, etc., will leave for the new headquarters and I will guard will stay for a large city, about 40 miles from here, for about \$225,000 for pay and expect to join the outfit about 8 p. m. that evening.

If conditions are good I will work all night, going from place to place, paying them off. During the day, night we don't use one another continually, as the Boche has an ugly habit of dropping shells or bombs on it and it's hard on the roads and makes the repair gangs work over time.

Thursday evening I was coming over a road that had been used all of Wednesday night and the greater part of Thursday by French troops when a shell dropped about 100 yards to the side. The driver of the car stopped and began digging around the bottom of the car. When I asked him what was wrong he said he was looking for his "tin hat." The hole the shell made was large enough to bury a horse.

We have been having ideal weather since coming down into this neighborhood but the blame heathen seem to think we don't need sleep, for every clear night we are roused on their way to bombard Paris about 10.30 or 11 p. m., and then about 5 a. m. the trucks and troops wake you up.

Just had the police to come in and tell me that my light—a candle—showed from the outside and the curtains must be drawn.

July 6, 1918. Have had several trips across the Marne. The valley is fine—that is the lower valley. Up where we are there are more hills and the buildings are not as modern.

Spent a night about two weeks ago in a chateau—the modern end of which was built in 1568.

A German officer brought in the other night as a prisoner, when asked what the war was about, said, "England was fighting for the sea, France for her country, and the United States for souvenirs."

Some of our fellows here hit the trail, but they gave a good account of themselves before going. One lad slipped away from his squad, when they had to lay down on account of machine gun fire, crawled to the rear of the nest and blew up the whole crew with a bomb. Just as he was rolling into the hole where some of his squad were, a sniper got him through the back. He had time to say, "I'm only one, but I got eight first."

Night before last our artillery made things seem like the first and second lines and last evening over 170 planes went over and bombed the back areas.

Had just opened up after supper when a bundle of telegraphs ending with May 30, was thrown on the desk. All work stopped for an hour and a half.

July 12, 1918. Wednesday evening was mail day with a vengeance. Received eight letters, also bundle of telegraphs. Papers passed on to the crowd.

Since moving to our present location I have been grinding. We were a whole month late in getting started and only one-quarter of the help—have gradually added a man, until now have three-fourths of my complement.

This is some job. We never quit until 10.30 to 11.30 p. m. and have nothing but candles for light. Each man has two. Have a room to myself here with two windows toward the south. Boxes on end for cases, two desks and long carriage machine against one wall; two rows of tables with adding machine in middle of the one across the room and at the end of each row a typewriter. Sounds like a boiler shop at times when all machines are running and three or four men are reading "corpses."

Received notice last night that General Pershing would call today. He made us a visit May 30, while we were farther north.

Crowder Urges Youths of 21 to Be Certain to Register
By Associated Press
Washington, Aug. 15.—Provost Marshal General Crowder issued a statement today, emphasizing that all male citizens who should have reached their 21st birthday since June 5 last must appear before the local boards to register for military service on August 24, regardless of any presumed grounds for exemption. Opportunity to make claim for exemption will be afforded subsequently in the filing out of questionnaires by registrants.

Gettysburg Prepares to Give Each of Its Students a Course in Military Training

Gettysburg, Aug. 16.—At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Pennsylvania College held here yesterday it was decided that the college will adopt the new Students Army Training Corps plan for military training for the duration of the war.

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the more made in leading educational institutions of the country. The main features of this new plan for military training are: Any able-bodied male student in college or entering college over eighteen years of age may enlist in the corps. He then becomes a member of the United States Army for the duration of the war. Regular uniforms, including hats, shoes and overcoats, will be furnished by the government. He will be on inactive duty during his college course with the exception of six weeks during vacation time when he will be required to attend a summer camp for intensive military training. His traveling expenses to

and from camp will be paid and he will be on active duty under pay and subsistence by the War Department. On reaching the age of twenty-one he must register with his local draft board. He may remain in college until his call is reached under the Selective Service Law. At that time it will be decided whether he will be called immediately to active service or whether he shall remain in college to complete the course he is pursuing. The decision will depend upon the needs of the service and upon his progress in his military training and in his studies and determined by the military officers at the college and by the college authorities. After

graduation he will be eligible for an officer's training camp. The relation of a student enlisted in the corps to the draft is as follows: Any student so enlisted, though in the military service of the United States, is technically on inactive duty, and therefore must register after he has reached draft age. Upon stating on his questionnaire that he is already in the military service of the United States he will be placed automatically by his local draft board in Class V-D, as provided by the Selective Service Regulations. The draft board will not call him for induction as long as he remains a member of the S. A. T. C. Students enlisted in the corps will

not be limited in the choice of the branch of the service that they will ultimately enter (engineers, artillery, infantry, navy, etc.), to any greater extent than would have been the case had they not enlisted in the corps. In all cases their preferences will be considered except where urgent military needs require a different course. The War Department has given the following as some of the objects for which units of the Students' Army Training Corps are established in qualified colleges: "To qualify, by systematic and standard methods of training, students at higher civil educational institutions for more effective service in the armed forces of the United

States, to permit qualified students to complete their education in numbers sufficient to meet the special and technical needs of the service, and to provide a reservoir from which candidates for officers' training camps may be drawn. "To give young men the moral and intellectual advantages of rigorous military discipline, and to develop in them robust health, hardihood and aggressive physical courage, thus enhancing the value of their academic training and their appreciation of the opportunities it affords.

PLANE ICE WAREHOUSE
The Merchants' Ice Company is planning to increase the daily capacity of the plant from 60 to 150 tons daily, and to build a storage ice house capable of holding 7000 tons, according to plans announced by officials yesterday. The plan is to manufacture an excess supply in the early spring, to take care of the city's hot weather needs.

THE Final Clearance in the Notable Sale of Laces, Nets and Trimmings is announced for Saturday.

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart

It's Not Too Hot to SAVE AND SERVE
Buy W. S. S., remembering that it is important to buy these little Stamps of Liberty every day and every week.

The Heart of Your Home Is the Living Room What of Its Furniture?



The center of vital interest in every real home is to be found in the livingroom, for it is there that youngsters as well as parents gather in the evening for companionship and an exchange of views. It is here that furniture ought to be given careful consideration, and it is here that refinement of details and comfort ought to be linked up together.

Your Children's Children Will Cherish This Kind of Furniture

The designs are carefully thought out with a view to their serviceability in the years to come and the upholstery is of the finest quality procurable.

- Overstuffed fireside rockers, in tapestry..... \$26.50
- Overstuffed library rockers with loose cushion spring seat and pillow back; the most luxurious rocker imaginable..... \$35.00
- Three-piece overstuffed livingroom suite of chair, rocker and davenport in tapestry..... \$95.00
- 78-inch davenport in tapestry with pillow arms and loose spring cushion seat... \$95.00
- Three-piece overstuffed livingroom suite of chair, rocker and davenport, with loose spring cushions..... \$145.00
- Two-piece cane seat in tapestry, with loose cushion; the frame is solid mahogany, three extra cushions and roll..... \$150.00
- Two-piece overstuffed livingroom suite of chair and davenport, pillow arms and loose cushion seats in tapestry... \$155.50
- Three-piece livingroom suite of low back chair, fireside chair and davenport in tapestry, all pieces are covered all around in same material..... \$285.00

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Fourth Floor.



Men's Summer Socks of Excellent Quality: 25c to 50c

- Fiber silk seamless socks in black, navy, tan, grey and cordovan..... 50c
- Silk lisle seamless socks in black, grey, slate, navy and cordovan..... 40c
- Cotton and lisle seamless socks in black and colors..... 25c
- Cotton seamless socks in black and tan..... 18c

Hot Weather Underwear For Men and Boys

- Black balbriggan shirts and drawers with short sleeves and ankle length drawers, 75c
- Grey mixed balbriggan shirts and drawers; short sleeves and ankle length..... 75c
- White cotton shirts and drawers with sleeveless or short sleeves; drawers knee or ankle length..... 75c
- Boys' white open mesh union suits; short sleeves and knee length..... 50c

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Street Floor.

Men's & Young Men's Spring & Summer Suits in Two Final Reduction Groups



- \$18.00 and \$20.00 Suits Reduced to... \$13.75
- \$22.50 and \$25.00 Suits Reduced to... \$17.75

THESE suits are from regular stock—that is sufficient guaranty of their quality. It requires a big stock of clothing to cater to the needs of a clientele such as our clothing store enjoys, and naturally there is going to be an accumulation of broken lines at the end of the season. So out go these suits at reductions that mean something these days of higher prices on practically everything.

- Plain Grey Palm Beach Suits Special at \$10.00
- Palm Beach Suits at... \$8.75 and \$9.50

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor, Rear.



Women's Hosiery For Summer

- In cotton, silk lisle, fiber silk and thread silk. Values that are exceptionally worthy.
- White cotton seamless hose, 25c
- White silk lisle seamless hose, with high spliced heels... 35c
- White lisle hose with fashioned feet and high spliced heels, 50c
- White silk lisle hose with fashioned feet; regular and extra sizes..... 75c
- White fiber silk seamless hose..... 59c
- White thread silk hose with fashioned feet and lisle tops, \$1.35

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Street Floor.

New Styles of Women's House Dresses

Many new arrivals in fine quality cottons are now being shown in the interest of women who look to their house dress needs early. Prices are \$2.98, \$3.50, \$3.75 and \$4.50.

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor.

Choice Colored Cottons For Summer and Fall

- 36-inch colored voiles on white grounds; an extra fine quality; specially priced, yard..... 35c
- White and colored ground voiles with embroidered stripes; special, yard..... 98c
- All-over patterns in colored voiles; special, yard..... 39c, 49c and 59c
- Solid color voiles in all shades; 43 inches wide; yard..... 45c
- Dress gingham in fancy plaids, copied from original Scotch designs; more than 100 distinct styles to choose from; yard..... 49c
- Wm. Anderson gingham, in fancy plaid and stripe styles; yard..... 59c

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Street Floor.

Women's Vests

- White cotton ribbed vests in low neck and sleeveless style..... 18c
- Pink cotton ribbed bodices..... 35c
- White lisle ribbed vests; low neck, sleeveless and taped neck..... 35c
- White cotton ribbed vests with fancy lace yokes..... 25c
- Pink cotton bloomers..... 50c

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Street Floor.

Summer's Most Favored Waist Styles Are Here at \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$5.00

And they are quite the best looking lingerie blouses we have seen in the new and cool quality cotton.

There is a splendid selection of styles awaiting the woman who enjoys slipping into a crisp waist with a separate skirt on hot summer evenings.

- One is a slip-over waist of all-over embroidery, with hemstitched hem and lace edge balancing a sailor collar..... \$2.50
- One is of organdie with tucks running up and down in front and back; a rolling collar is trimmed with a Picot edge, while the sleeves in a turned-back effect are similarly trimmed..... \$3.50
- Another is of organdie with fine pin tucks, trimming the front of the blouse and a pretty collar of organdie finished with Val. lace insertion and an edging of lace..... \$5.00

New Petticoats in Fall Colors

Many of the new arrivals show plaids and stripes while as many more are in solid colors or changeable patterns.

- Taffeta..... \$3.95 to \$12.50
- Silk Jersey..... \$5.00 to \$10.00
- All cotton..... \$1.25 to \$3.95

A Specialized Corset Section

Every type of figure has its corset in this complete showing. When a slender woman asks for a kind of corset she ought to wear, she knows she will be shown corsets designed just for her. The woman of medium size, though she be short or long-waisted, is certain to find models meeting her requirements. The woman of large figure can be assured of receiving the best corset knowledge that science has thus far discovered.

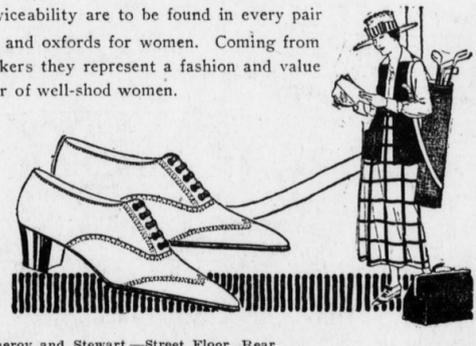
- Models for medium figures..... \$2.00 to \$18.50
- For stout figures..... \$3.00 to \$10.00

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor.

Women's Shoes For Every Summer Need Pumps and Oxfords in Attractive Styles

Good style, comfort and serviceability are to be found in every pair of these attractive summer pumps and oxfords for women. Coming from one of America's leading boot makers they represent a fashion and value standard that will strike the favor of well-shod women.

- Women's tan Russia calf pumps with welt sole and leather Cuban heels; the style is that of a simulated long wing tip, \$6.00
- Patent coltskin pumps, with leather Louis heels, hand-turn soles and medium-pointed toe, \$6.00
- Patent coltskin, five-eyelet oxfords with medium narrow toe over a long extended last; two-inch Louis heels..... \$6.00



Dives, Pomeroy and Stewart—Street Floor, Rear.

Silk Glove Values For Women

- Two-clasp silk gloves with double finger ends; in white and black. Pair..... 75c
- Two-clasp silk gloves with double finger ends; in white and black with self and contrasting embroidery. Pair..... 85c
- Two-clasp silk gloves with double finger ends; in white and black. Pair..... \$1.00
- Two-clasp silk gloves in white, black, grey and pongee. Pair..... \$1.25 to \$1.75
- Children's silk and washable chamoisette gloves in white, grey and pongee. Pair, \$1.00

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Street Floor.

Special Grocery News

- Blue Valley creamery butter, lb..... 51c
- Potted meats for sandwiches, can..... 5c
- Spaghetti, in bulk, good quality, lb..... 12 1/2c
- Sawto, for frying and shortening, can..... 30c
- Corn flour, best grade, lb..... 8c
- Vanilla extract, large bottle..... 12c
- Peter's superlative breakfast cocoa..... 8c and 16c
- Good laundry soap, cake..... 4c
- Babbitt's best laundry soap, cake..... 6c
- Honey clover, light, full 1-lb. jars..... 21c
- Oil or mustard sardines, can..... 8c
- Cane syrup, absolutely pure, 10-lb. buckets..... \$1.39
- Eclipse steel-cut coffee, lb..... 20c
- Orange Pekoe tea, lb..... 40c
- Salmon, tall cans..... 18c and 25c

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Basement.

\$3.75 Tub Skirts in an Extraordinary Sale at \$1.98

Our entire remaining stock of regular \$3.75 white gabardine skirts goes into a special Mid-August Clearance, beginning to-morrow. There are several excellent styles, with full gathered back, inverted or patch pockets and broad belt; trimming of large first quality pearl buttons; sizes 30 to 36 waist bands. Special..... \$1.98

Black and white stripe skirts, sizes 29 to 34 waistbands, Special, \$1.98

New Fall Dresses of Jersey and Serge

- Brown, navy and black serge dresses with satin collar and belt; finished with satin tabs, forming pocket effect..... \$16.50
- Navy and black serge dresses with plaited skirt and handsomely braided waist and pockets, white satin collar and cuffs..... \$25.00
- Serge dresses in brown, navy and black, in tunic style with silk fringe surplice and silk collar and cuffs..... \$25.00
- Fine quality Jersey dresses, in navy, Delhi and rookie, the style is paneled front and back and beautifully embroidered..... \$35.00
- Jersey dresses in beige, with large rolling collar, broad girde and loose tabs; heavily fringed..... \$37.50

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor.