

### 65 WOUNDED RETURN WITH THRILLING TALES

#### 19th Well Represented on Transport Maui as It Reaches Hoboken

York—A shaggy-haired dog and down river street, hobnobbing through the rail fence army piers, behind which were up 2,345 American fighting men and some of the United States transport, Maui which docked at 8 a little before 1 o'clock. He then there for days, waiting, applying for the return of a friend. They shot waited for hours. It must have seemed to him another day must pass without his master's voice again, a full day supported by crutches, a few days ago. It was a Hoboken home only a block and through the steel bars they will it was time for him to get on the train to Camp Merritt. No one dog awaited any of the old homecomers.

Maui was the second Rainbow to dock at the Hoboken piers. It was a welcome sight, representing nearly every state in the Union. Each was wounded—there were 2,200 enlisted men and five officers and many of them decorations. Among them were from the gallant old 68th, the 7th Division and the 77th (Camp and 70th (Camp Dix) division, and Geler, who was wounded fighting with a trench mortar on with the 68th and who lives in City, was the first man to get the gangplank. One of the spies was a basket of doughnuts, then three Salvation Army

**Doughnuts Are Welcome**

was the first appearance at the piers in Hoboken of the Salvation Army and its famous doughnuts. One from the basket that he thrust out to him.

"Gee," he said, "it's the first time I was in the trenches that we've seen any of 'Sal's' doughnuts." They are the best things we ever got, when we were on the firing line they came down and baked them for us and we ate them hot. We wasn't all, either, they made cake and they were everywhere that we were, you've got to get it to them."

Working in conjunction with the Red Cross, which provided the men with light coffee and biscuits, Ensign Peterson, Sergeant Johnson and Captain Keak were cheered by the returning fighters and their organizations were lauded individually and collectively for their work on the other side.

Maui was the first to arrive at the Army Home and Hospital, 216 Fifteenth street, Manhattan. It wasn't all story book stuff, the experience on the other side, according to Corporal Bert Lawson, 1st Co., 165th Infantry, the "old" of the passengers. He was 250 West Seventy-second as wounded twice and gassed the fighting at St. Mihiel.

Maui furnished the beer, one of the funniest and things we ever did was when a small town in Lorraine, the Germans had erected a big house. They carried beer a place to the men in the and it was only the best German, and if I must say so, good

German beer is good. Well, they evidently anticipated our coming, for when we broke through, a crowd of other 68th men and myself, there were only a few Germans left. They were sitting on the steps of the storchhouse and promptly surrendered. Everything was packed and ready for removal; but I guess we got there too quickly for them.

"Any way, we had plenty of good beer to drink and you can bet we drank it and twenty German soldiers and two officers were captured stood by and watched us drink. No, we didn't give them any."

An idea of the fighting qualities of the Prussian Guard was contributed by John Webb, of 615 Hamilton avenue, North Bergen, N. J., who fought against them at St. Mihiel with a machine gun company of the old 68th.

"It seemed that every time we ran into them they'd come running up to us yelling 'Don't kill me, I've got a mother, father, wife and three children' but our commanding officer would always say, 'Give 'em hell,' and we always did."

Webb who is better known as "Lefty" Webb, was maimed by machine-gun bullets and gassed.

**Surprised at Decoration**

Lieutenant William J. Moore, of 357 First avenue, who failed in an attempt to evade reporters who wanted to know how he won the Croix de Guerre, was finally corralled in the officers' cabin. He was with the old 68th down on the Mexican border. When he saw his first action he wore the chevrons of a sergeant. He received his commission and the cross at the same time for valorous work in the Lunenburg sector.

Moore late in March took command of a sector during a heavy bombardment after his immediate superior, Lieutenant Normand, was killed. He organized rescue parties to excavate men caught in caved-in dugouts. A heavy shelling continued for twenty-four hours, and during the fusillade Captain George McArdle, of his company, was wounded.

"After we had been at it for twenty-four hours," said the New York man, "we were relieved by a superior French army, with the surprising information that I had been designated to receive the Croix de Guerre."

Private Charles Burke, of 105 Congress avenue, Flushing, L. I., Company D, 165th Infantry also wore the French war medal. He was shot through both legs in the fighting in the Argonne Forest. He went out with a handful of other Americans and effected an impromptu raid, capturing twenty-two Germans and the colonel in charge of a listening post.

Joseph O'Neill, Company F, same regiment, went over the top at Chateau Thierry with two miles drawn as a field kitchen. On his way back a shell burst and took off the hind legs of the mules. They crawled along on the stumps until they were safely within the American lines, then fell, he said, American machine gunners ended their misery.

Peter Murray and a number of other old 68th men, were in a shell hole without food or water for fourteen hours at St. Mihiel.

**Praise for His Officers**

Sergeant Victor J. Herold, Company C, old Sixty-ninth, told of his experiences. It was following a heavy barrage, laid down by the Germans that he and three others, one his brother, Ernest, were sent out to bring a wounded man back to the lines.

"As we were carrying our comrade back," he said, "I was hit. I told the others to take care of the other man first. Later my brother returned and wanted to help me but I told him I could get back all right."

I ran a quarter of a mile and then I fell down in a heap from the loss of blood. Later I was taken safely to a dressing station, but I never saw my brother again, nor any word of him."

Sergeant Herold spoke highly of his commanding officer, Captain Henry Botz, who, it is said, was of German birth and shouted all his orders in broken English.

"Of all our fighters, I don't believe one of them fought with more zeal than our leader," he said. "One of his lungs was pierced by a machine gun bullet in a raid. He carried no weapon, and led all attacks with a simple looking walking stick."

Among the officers aboard the Maui was Lieutenant Royal C. Johnson, of Aberdeen, S. D., who resigned his seat in the House of Representatives to enlist as a private in January. By sheer pluck, his friends said, he rose to a second lieutenant and was attached to Company D, 33rd Infantry.

**World Talk of Others**

"I won't have anything to say about myself," Lieutenant Johnson told newspapermen, "but I wish that you can't say too much about our doughboys. They are trumps; the best in the world, and to them should go the laurels."

Myles McDermott, of Yorkville, who was attached to Company A, 308th Battalion—Colonel Whittlesey's "Lost Battalion"—was another of the returning men. He was shot through the left hip in the Argonne.

Dr. Alfred M. Bergstein, a lieutenant in the Medical Corps, 18th Regulars, of Pottsville, Pa., a passenger on the Maui was decorated for bravery. He fought in the Chateau Thierry and St. Mihiel sectors and was wounded seventeen times by shrapnel. Major Oliver L. White, of the 319th Infantry, who was wounded at Verdun, returned, declaring the Germans were beaten from the beginning of the battle of Chateau Thierry.

Lieutenant J. R. Harden, of the 8th Marines, whose home is at 48 Mount Prospect avenue, Newark, N. J., was in every battle from the Marne to Verdun with the exception of Soissons. He was nine times over the top and twice wounded. Corporal E. E. Brook, of Trenton, Tenn., of the 6th Marines, came back wounded, but wore the Distinguished Service cross. He fought his way through the falling shells to rescue a fellow officer and was maimed in the task.

### HAVE YOU JOINED RED CROSS? IF NOT, READ THIS LETTER

The Christmas campaign for membership by the Red Cross gives pertinence to the following extracts from letters written by Captain Frank M. Fuller, M. C. N. S. R., Base Hospital 32, A. E. F., "Somewhere in France."

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