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LIEUTENANT-GENERAL LIGGETT WITH STAFF INSPECTS SHOPS

Officials Impressed by Repair Shops and Their Adaptability for Handling, Repairing and Salvaging War Materials

Lieutenant-General Liggett, Commander of the First Army, with about twenty of his Corps and Divisional Commanders, arrived by special train Monday afternoon and made a brief inspection of the Ordnance Repair Shops. Among the members of the staff accompanying General Liggett were: Major-Generals Allen, Smith, McNair, Bailey, Brigadier-General Jones and Colonels Cravens, Kromer and Rhoads.

The party was met at the train by a reception committee and conveyed to the shops in automobiles, making an inspection of the Administration Building, Shops and Warehouses Nos. 4 and 6. The shops inspected were: Gun Shops 1 and 2, Machine Shop, Optical Repair, Woodworking, Small Arms and Salvage. After one and one-half hours spent at the Shops, the party returned to their train. The members of the reception committee were: Colonel Wesson, Commanding Officer of the Ordnance Repair Shops, and Majors Doe, Brady and Ericson, and Captains Gilbert, Maxwell, Lawson and Tompkins, all heads of Shop

MOBILE SIEGE MORTAR RECEIVED

One of the first mobile siege mortars turned out by the French at Bourges in 1884 has arrived as salvage at the Repair Shops. The caliber of the mortar is 24 cm., and the mounting is on a very heavy base, carried between massive steel wheels. In action the base is lowered to the ground by three heavy screw jacks, which are a part of the wheel mountings. The modern mortar has a much lighter form of construction.

departments.

A tour of the entire Service of Supplies is being made by the party, who were particularly impressed by the great size of the Repair Shops and their adaptability to handling, overhauling and salvaging the great quantities of artillery and other war materials reclaimed from the battlefields. The difficulties overcome in the building of roads and tracks and in general construction work here in this low swampy section were also noted and remarked upon.

NEVERS BOXERS LOSE FAST BOUTS

Boxing Program at "Y" Wednesday Night Best of Season's Offerings

What proved to be one of the best boxing programs of the season was put on at the "Y" Wednesday evening between the local boys and the Nevers team. Four fast bouts, preceded by two snappy preliminary exhibitions of two rounds each, were staged. Owing to travel difficulties the Nevers team did not reach here until late and as a result they were greeted by a pretty impatient bunch of fans who were well rewarded, however, for their wait.

Kenney, a local lad, and Simoneaux of Nevers, both weighing 150 lbs., put on the best mill of the evening in three fast rounds. Kenney is a clean fighter and his work in the ring is deserving of praise. He was pitted against a good man, however, in Simoneaux, but his superior skill and knowledge of the game won him the

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FORMER COMRADES ARRIVING DAILY

Past Few Months Spent in Salvage and Demolition Work.

By Sgt. C. N. Church

Ordnance ammunition men, consisting of approximately 700, have arrived from the First Army area, and many more are expected here within the next few weeks. Most of these men were sent from Mehun last summer and are returning here for evacuation, with many interesting tales of their life at the Front.

Many of these men in the ammunition section lived and worked under almost constant shell fire, with frequent bombing raids. In the First Army area, the Verdun group of ammunition "dumps" was shelled almost continuously from the middle of September, when the Americans relieved the French, until November 11, when the hostilities ceased in a final burst of artillery fire.

One American Ordnance man in this group has been recommended for the D. S. C. in recognition of work done during severe shelling. These men worked for hours in their gas masks during one attack, when a German shot had scored a hit in a pile of French gas shells in the dump.

All of the men in the advanced
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CAPTAIN SMALL LEAVES FOR U. S.

Thirty carloads of Austrian and German artillery, ranging in caliber from 13 to 21 cm., were shipped from the Repair Shops Thursday, bound for Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland, U. S. A.

The shipment is convoyed by Captain H. L. Small. He has with him ten enlisted men under Ord Sgt. W. J. Gerwe, 4th Co., chosen from head of next evacuation list. The guns are all serviceable and some of them are late models.

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Before the war — you remember how it was — home was a good place to eat and sleep in, and come to when you didn't have any other place. It was a horribly monotonous place, anyway—so we thought.

But it's somewhat different now. Home means a great deal more. That comfortable feeling that we get when we think back on home is more than the memory of good eats and soft beds. We have felt a lot of rough going in the last eighteen months, with the bitter cold barracks at Camp Dodge, the torturous drills in the hot sand of Hancock, and the heart-breaking ditch digging in the mud of France. We have swallowed our slab of meat and eaten our beans and crawled into our hard bunk to listen to the cusses and jests of a hundred other men around us.

Home now means a place of love and loyalty. It's fine to think of a mother or wife fussing around, and father strutting about with a proud look, and sister teasing or patting you on the back. That is what Home now is — a place to get back to.

COME ACROSS We are out after some of the talent of the Ammunition men who have just arrived in camp. Some of you will be fortunate enough to get off with this or the next Evacuation Battalion. But you bachelors, with short service and no allotment, better join us and amuse yourselves and the rest of us "stick-in-the-muds" during the weeks we are here by turning in your contributions to THE MEHUN NEWS. Let us have some of your interesting experiences at the Front.

A. E. F. Post Schools have been established in order to make the best use of the time while awaiting passage home. Many of us who had never been off a desk or machine in civil life have had a multitude of experiences in the army that will fit us for broader and bigger jobs. The courses which the Post School is offering give a little more chance for intellectual broadening out.

SILVER THREADS AMONG THE BLACK

Darling I am coming back,
Silver threads among the black,
Now that Peace in Europe nears,
I'll be home in seven years.
I'll drop in on you some night,
With my whiskers long and white;
Yes, the War is over dear,
And we're coming back I hear.

Back at home with you once more,
Say by Nineteen-Twenty-Four,
Once I thought by now I'd be,
Sailing back across the Sea,
Back to where you sit and pine
But I'm stuck here on the Rhine;
You can hear the gang all curse,
War is Hell, but Peace is worse.

"NO FOOLIN'"

My parents say I must not smoke,
I don't.

Or listen to a naughty joke,
I don't.

I must not chew, or even think
about intoxicating drink,
I don't.

To dance or flirt is very wrong,
I don't.

I kiss no "femmes," not even one,
I do not know how it is done.
One wouldn't think I had much fun,
I don't.

ADVERTISEMENTS

WANTED — Position as Pawnbroker's Clerk by an expert in handling helmets, bayonets, swords, shells, grenades and other junk. P. F. Griffin, 30th Evac. Co.

WANTED—Handyman; must be an expert carpenter, tinsmith, painter and electrician. Salary, \$30.00 per month and found. Ask for Sgt. Zang, Const. and Main. Div.

LOST—A specially prepared set of "African Golf" balls. Reward for their return offered by Sgt. Alleyne of Depot Labor Co. No. 24.

PERSONAL—The Q. M. will not issue any more soup after disposing of the 35,000,000 cans on hand now.

BUSINESS CHANCE—Own your factory and boss yourself! Opening in Tin Shop for a Coppersmith to start a "Clacker" factory for supplying the Camp Commissary with change.

WANTED—Blue Prints; of layout of mess gear for Sunday Morning Inspection. Address Sgt. Furrow, 3rd Company.

THE CASINO AT MONTE CARLO

BY SGT. A. A. KRAMER

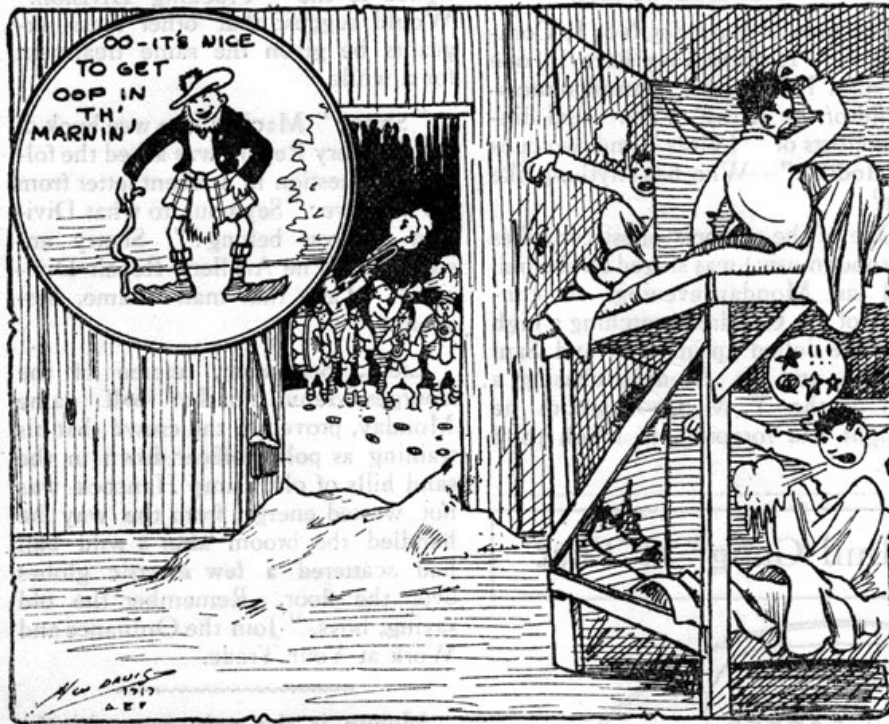
If one is fortunate enough to be sent to the Leave Area in the province of Alps Maritimes, which comprises the four leave centers consisting of Cannes, Nice, Monaco, and Menton, the opportunity of visiting the famous Casino of Chance at Monte Carlo should not be missed.

Men in uniform, no matter whether officers or enlisted men, or whether Americans or any other nationality, are not allowed to visit the Casino while play is going on, but they can visit the famous place between the hours of 8:30 and 9:30 in the morning and at that time there are guards and officers of the Casino who take parties through the principal rooms and explain the various paintings and objects of art.

One enters the Casino by way of a large flight of marble steps. On each side, as one enters, are to be seen the offices of the officials of this large palace of wealth and chance. Upon entering the hall there is a staircase on either side. The one on the left leads you to a large reading and writing room, which is for the convenience and information of visitors, and the one on the right takes you up to the offices of the society which conducts this palace of chance. If one walks right straight between the marble columns they come into the "Atrium," which is the famous ante-chamber of the Temple of Fortune.

At the left end of the atrium are three double doors which lead to the rooms that are used for gambling. The walls of these rooms are worth looking at for they contain paintings by such old masters as Picard, Rubens, Lucas and Steck. Going through the lobby from here one gets into the Empire Room. This room has beautiful stained glass windows, and many beautiful works of art adorn it. Of course, in all of these different rooms there are many games of chance, but roulette is the predominating game. Below the Empire Room one visits the famous music room, which is beautifully decorated, and where, before the war, the English and American colonists of Monte Carlo held very many famous balls and dances. From the floor to the ceiling of this room there are many works of Art done entirely in bronze, many representing something in the form of music. The large bay windows of this room afford a splendid view of the Riviera.

Harry Was Right



WORD FROM 4TH BATTALION

Editor, Mehun News:

The bunch are still at Guitres, but quite happy. Between hikes and drilling they are occupying their time in organizing baseball teams, track teams and an orchestra. It may interest the boys to know that our old friend, Cook, is working hard at the latter enterprise. The boys feel quite ambitious regarding track work because of the news they have read in the Gironde papers of the athletic successes of the Third Casual Battalion. It seems that they kind of cleaned things up in a small way down near Bordeaux. Their playground still is St. Loubes and they have no more of an idea as to when they shall leave than we have of our date of departure.

It is quite warm down here and decidedly dry, a condition that we had to adapt ourselves to. Our date of departure depends somewhat upon how clean we keep the town we are billeted in and consequently the town of Guitres at present is just as immaculate as when we found it, if not more so.

Sergeant Hall took a run down to St. Loubes to see the Third Battalion and upon returning informed me that the bunch had nearly worn the letters off of two copies of THE MEHUN NEWS that they had received. Take a little hunch from

me and don't forget the boys, for this is the only means they have of receiving authentic news, and the devil only knows how badly they want it. Until they had found those two copies the only news they had heard of their old home was that the whole camp had been put under quarantine for shipment home. Could you have ever dreamed of such a thing?

Sgt. C. M. BARTELME.

NEW EXCHANGE SERVICE

Beginning the first of April, the operation of the Post Exchange Service will be transferred from the Y.M.C.A. to the Q. M. Post Commissary. A letter from General Pershing to Dr. E. C. Carter, Chief of the Y.M.C.A. in the A.E.F., recalls the conditions which made it advisable for the "Y" to take over the Post Exchange Service about 18 months ago. Since those conditions no longer exist, Dr. Carter has requested that the Y.M.C.A. be relieved of canteen operation. The causes leading to this transfer are tersely summed up by General Pershing's letter, which states in part that "the Y.M.C.A. undertook the management of the Post Exchange at my request at a time when it was of greatest importance that no available soldier should be taken away from the vital military functions of training and fighting."

EVENING BAND CONCERTS

Editor, Mehun News:

Forgetting, for the moment, the mud and the rain which usually furnish the chief topic for conversation and "cussation" to the men of this camp, allow me, as an humble enlisted man of this post, to comment upon what I consider the greatest improvement effected in this camp since I came here—about six months ago. I refer to "our own" band.

If any one factor has tended to strengthen the fast-ebbing morale of a camp of half-discouraged, and altogether homesick bunch of men, that factor is the band. I tell you it's great to hear those musical strains, full of "pep" and "Jazz," even at 5:45 a. m. It helps a lot. We know we've got to get up; and it's a great deal better to dress to the strains of music that now follow reveille, than to the stream of "cuss words" that heretofore had followed it. At noon, too, it lends vigor to our digestive organs, and in the evening it enlivens the spirits of the men, returned from a tiresome day's work.

So it's music at the dawn of day; music at the height of noon; and music at the coming of night. Now, if we only could have a concert now and then to help while away the evenings in more pleasant fashion! Personally, I know nothing about music itself; but I can feel and see its effects; and by the comments that can be heard among the men of this post, the band is doing a great part in making life here more endurable. This is no mean accomplishment, and therefore the cause of it is worthy of everyone's support.

Thanking you for the space consumed, I am, Sgt. A. Rubinoufski,

FILMS DEVELOPED AT SHOPS

With a small charge to cover cost of breakage and material used, the Photographic Section at the Repair Shops is now prepared to develop all films and to print, at present, a limited number of pictures. The charge for developing will be 50 centimes per roll. Prints will be made up to 3 1/4x4 1/2 in size for 10 centimes each. Over this size and up to, and including, post card size the charge will be 15 centimes per print. Capt. Haney in charge of the Photographic Section states that the money obtained will be used in purchasing supplies for this work.

CAMP TATTLER

"Rapid Calculation" Strobe, of the Destruction and Despair Division, left Wednesday for Patee. Look for a flash in The Herald.

"Cognac" Roach, 2nd Co., says: "If I had had enough money I would have been up on the Champagne front myself, but I can't 'comprez' Champagne on a Buck's salary."

"Caisson" Brown, who gained this nickname by pushing these stately wagons, is now arranging a roster of the 100th Ordnance Casual Battalion, to be formed in November. Unmarried men and non-allottees need not fear. This is one list their names will adorn.

'Gold-brick' Hays, Hdq. Co., thinks the people of Mehun are very dense. He speaks to them in French and they don't understand what he says.

The men of Barracks No. 1, Company No. 1, claim they have in one Corporal Nelson, the champion mess-hound of the A.E.F. His usual dinner consists of "Thirds" and two cups of "Iodine." Who has anything like him?

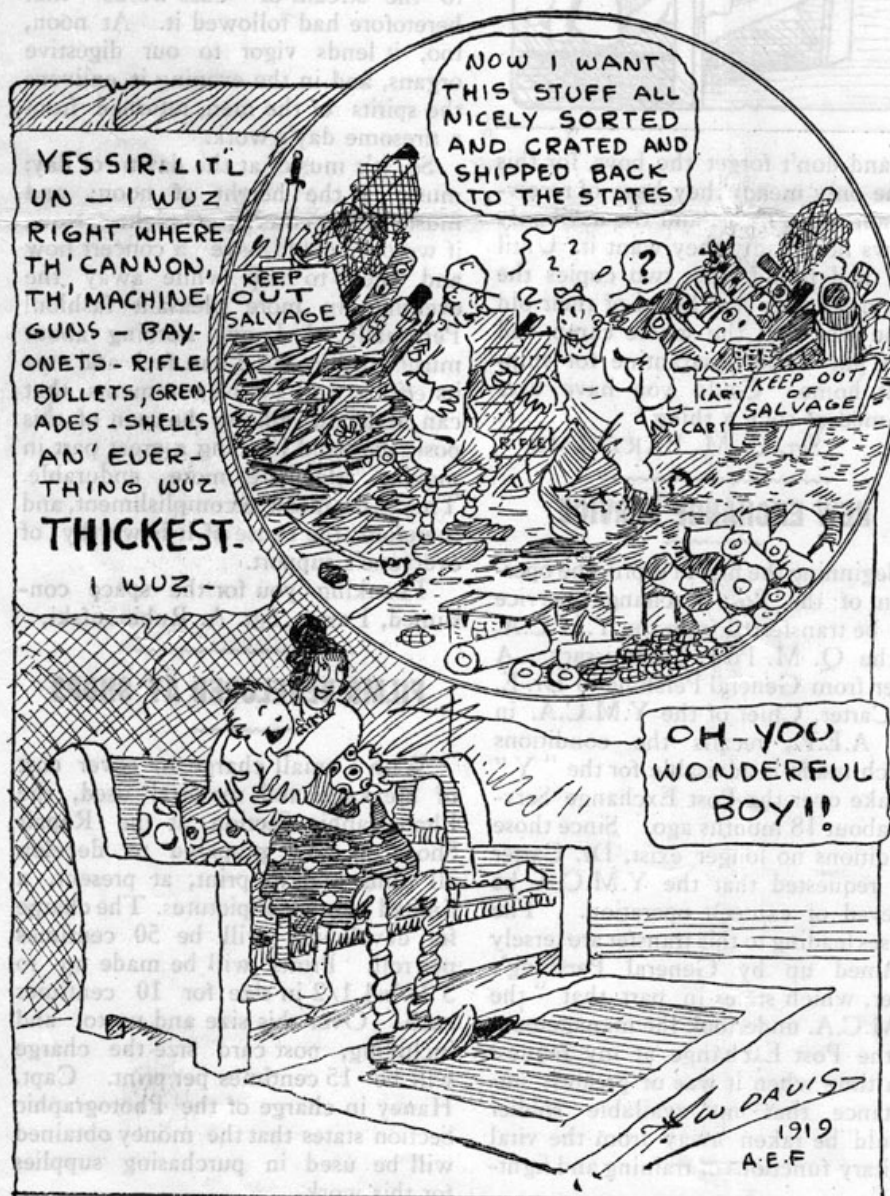
One of the season's finest comedies (without music) was staged on the ball field last Monday evening. It consisted of Lt. Gaudreau catching a high fly while dolled up in boots and Sam Browne, and Lt. Menkin chasing a man to the Y. M. C. A. whom he thought had forgotten to touch third base.

"Irv" Warshaw, past mess sergeant of the Bordeaux Ordnance Detachment, has arrived in camp and been assigned to the "Trucking Division." Would suggest that other mess sergeants be given the same treatment for a while.

"Shorty" Mackay, the wee buck of the Artillery Repair, was asked the following question in a recent letter from his ladylove: "Seymour, to what Division do you belong?" Shorty answered: "The Artillery Repair Division." Take that man's name, Sergeant!

Lieut. Bernstrom, referee of the Bourges-Mehun basket ball game Monday, proved to the crowd that his training as police officer down in the sand hills of old Camp Hancock was not wasted energy, from the way he handled the broom after a wild ball had scattered a few electric globes over the floor. Remember the old saying, boys, "Join the Ordnance and Work at Your Trade."

He Was on the 2nd Co. "Bull Gang" at That



Mehun is the only camp in the A. E. F. that has a buck private for a general, or a general who is a buck private, whichever way you want it. His name is General H. Sansom. You wouldn't think General was a general to look at him on his bunk in the Fourth Company, but he is, just the same. And when he salutes the second "looies"—"Same to you."

HISTORY CLASS VISITS ORLEANS

Saturday noon Dr. William K. Chatten and twelve members of his class in French history went to Orleans, returning Sunday evening. The Museum of Joan of Arc was visited. It has numerous rooms containing a remarkable collection of relics relating to Joan of Arc.

The party also went thru the Hotel Cabu, and other historic places. The most interesting building visited was the Cathedral, which was built in the twelfth century. It was partially destroyed by the Protestants in 1568. The original edifice was re-built by Henry IV. and his successors. The central and lateral naves are in the Gothic style of the end of the fourteenth century; the stately facade is adorned with eighteenth century statues.

The Class was highly elated with the day's outing, and Dr. Chatten thinks that it will be followed by trips to other places of interest.

GLEANINGS FROM THE PRESS

Seventy percent of the soldiers being returned to the United States are carried in American ships.

According to the War Department, more than 123,000,000 pieces of mail were handled by the Expeditionary Force Postal Service in December, then the mail operations were at their peak.

General March estimates that the War's battle deaths total 7,354,000. Losses on the field were: Russia, 1,700,000; Germany, 1,600,000; France, 1,305,000; England, 706,700; and the United States, 50,000.

RUSSIAN GUNS TAKEN FROM HUNS

Several Russian 155 mm. howitzers, manufactured at Petrograd in accordance with the French designs by Schneider, are now part of the Engineering collection. The guns have had a checkered career, having been captured by the Germans from the Russians and taken to the French battlefield, where they were used until the time of their capture by the U. S.

SERGEANT RECEIVES FURLOUGH

Receiving a two months' furlough to the United States, Ordnance Sergeant James Christianson departed for St. Aignan this week. He carries orders for attachment with an outgoing company and will most likely be in "the old home town" within a few weeks. On his return to France he will undoubtedly be eagerly sought out by "those who wait" and are anxious for news straight from the land on the other side of the "salty drink."

C. R. O. QUINTET LOSES TO LOCALS

In a fast and fairly clean exhibition of basket ball at the "Y" Monday evening, the representatives of the C.R.O. of Bourges met defeat at the hands of the local quintet by a score of 25 to 19. Numerous disputes over the referee decisions on the part of the visitors was the only incident to mar an otherwise excellent contest. The team work of both fives eclipsed any that has yet been pulled off on the local floor. Mehun missed many easy shots. The local five played a much faster and more aggressive game than their heavier opponents throughout the match. An enthusiastic crowd of fans packed the "Y" to capacity.

Former Comrades Arriving Daily

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work have had their interesting experiences; nights when the entire personnel staged impromptu foot races to the dugouts, and when chance shots from German gunners landed in powder houses. Many of the big guns were back of these advanced dumps.

When the first American Ordnance men reached Verdun the German lines were not six kilometers away. The actual handling of the ammunition was done largely by French labor battalions and later by American pioneer infantrymen under the direction of Ordnance men. In some places the Ordnance personnel did all the heavy work.

From the advanced dumps all ammunition was taken out in truck trains, the loading being done mostly at night. The trucks took the ammunition to Corps dumps or direct to the batteries. Our dumps furnished both American and French artillery.

With the signing of the armistice the ammunition men began the gigantic task of demolition. All of the shells, grenades, rockets, bombs and other explosives which were in a damaged condition were demolished. Many Ordnance casualties occurred in this work. Thousands of high explosive shells were placed in shell holes and blown up, and many bonfires were lighted in which more than a million rounds of small arms ammunition were destroyed. When these big explosions took place, windows were broken in towns six and eight miles away.

At Montigny, in the First Army area, the largest explosions blew whole walls off barracks, all of the men having been sent out of camp, except the men lighting the fuses. They remained in concrete dugouts. The blasts left craters from 50 to 100 feet across.

Demolition work in the First Army area was but recently completed, while that in the Second Army area is well under way. All undemolished ammunition is concentrated at railheads in charge of small groups of Ordnance men.

The black "A," with the red bomb and shell beneath, is worn by the First Army Ordnance men of the ammunition section. They have been up where the shells and bombs did their work, where barbed wire was the only recognized form of decoration.

HISTORIC CHATEAU NEAR CAMP

"Why, I didn't know there was such a place" was the remark of a Mehun Sergeant this week when he was asked to write us a sketch on the Abbey which joins the old chateau east of the camp. Luckily we succeeded in finding a man who was familiar with the history of the old historical surroundings who gives us the following information:

The Abbey or Chateau was founded in 1234 by Robert de Courtenay and Matilde, heiress of Mehun, his wife, and was of the order of the nuns of Citeaux. In 1650 or thereabouts it suffered severely from the effects of the religious wars which rocked the foundations of France. It was repaired and almost rebuilt in 1671 by the abbess Mme. de Chauvelein de Richemon, and for this reason the architecture represents two distinct periods. It is generally believed that Joan of Arc stopped here on her way to meet King Charles VII.

The old church, which is now used as a barn, was first built in the form of a cross, but the apse, the choir and the transept have disappeared. The arch of the door is still standing on the western circle while traces of the arches can still be seen on the eastern wall. At the northeast corner is a buttress which was probably built later to reinforce the structure. A walled door on the north side still shows a Holy Font supported by two carved angels. The south side shows rose windows which like several others have been walled in. A stone set in the wall reveals a French shield under which can be seen this inscription: "Mari de Chauvelein de Richemon, 1669." It probably marked the tomb of the abbess buried in front.

K. C. HUT OPENED

The K. C. hut in the Evacuation Camp was opened last Friday with Secretary J. C. Ford in charge. Usual K. C. privileges, such as writing facilities and reading matter, are provided for the men of the Evacuation Camp while in quarantine. At other times the privileges are open to all the men at the Post.

The Mehun Hall, with Secretary Coyne in charge, is still open and all men going to Mehun are urged to make it their stopping place on Saturday and Sunday or on week days when visiting in the city.

CAMP BRIEFS

About 140 Ordnance men are coming here from Foecy for duty and evacuation from this station.

Last week 181 cars of artillery and small arms were shipped out to the ports. The shops are now handling the artillery faster than it is coming in.

The 7th Co. vaudeville players entertained at Bourges Saturday. The company is now producing a musical comedy entitled "A Soldier's Dream."

With a record of over 10,000 rifles as a single day's shipment, the Small Arms Division is getting into action on the order of 200,000 German rifles to be sent to the United States.

The machine section of the Artillery Repair Shop reached the end of all manufacturing work when it completed the last of its manufacturing orders this week. The only machine work now being done is local maintenance jobs.

A month ago the Hospital wash was taken in by the camp laundry at rates 50 per cent under current French prices at Bourges. A further reduction is now announced, a flat rate of 10 francs per 100 pieces being charged for all laundry except bed sacks and blankets, which are 25 centimes and one franc each respectively.

EDUCATIONAL WORK PROGRESSING

The arrangements are being completed for the formation of a splendid Post School by which the soldiers, while waiting passage home, may train themselves for the larger activities of life in the home land. Five classes in Beginners' French, under competent teachers, have been running now for some time and already the way is opening for more advanced work. A large and enthusiastic class in French history, literature and art has completed one-half the text book. This is supplemented by visits to the most interesting, historic and romantic places, such as Orleans, Bourges, Tours, Nevers, Blois and Paris. The purpose is to fix in the mind of the student by text and visit the best in the romance, art and history of France.

Other classes will be opened in algebra, geometry, trigonometry, economics, Spanish, Italian, American history, English literature and other subjects that a sufficient number will sign up for. Call on either Lieut. Miller at the Post School, or Dr. William K. Chatten at the "Y" Hut.

MEHUN REVUE APPEARS AT "Y"

The Mehun Revue made its initial bow here at the Y. M. C. A. on Tuesday evening. The production was under the personal supervision of Lieut. Snyder and has been carefully drilled until there were few hitches to mar the program. Four snappy vaudeville acts and a one-act playlet, "Goldfish and Willie," make up the revue, which is greatly aided by the fine selections rendered by a ten-piece Jazz Band.

Hansen, Dirla, Wintle and Payne in their quartette selections made a hit as the curtain raiser. They were followed by the comedy sketch, "Just Pals," in which Craig and McGrath play the roles as gloom chasers. Barlow and Murray proved to be the original "melody and song" artists and were called back many times. Foster and Estes as "Two Black (K) nights in No Man's Land," put over some original black face comedy stuff.

In the one-act playlet, "Goldfish and Willie," which was written especially for this production, the act was entirely original, the scene being laid in an O. R. S. D. mess hall.

NIGHT SCHEDULE FOR SMALL ARMS

As part of the increased production program in the Small Arms Shops a night crew of 135 men has started work in the cleaning room and in the polishing section.

Present regulations do not permit the Chinese working at night, but as fast as they become adapted to the work they are being used to replace the soldiers on the simpler details.

GERMAN PAPER ROPE

One of the most interesting articles of German manufacture that has arrived in these shops is a great quantity of paper rope of various sizes.

This rope is made from wood pulp paper and is very strong and durable, if kept away from excessive moisture. A 5/16 rope is made up of four strands of 12 threads each. Each thread is composed of two strips of very thin paper 3/16 wide tightly twisted together. The rope is used for gun lanyards, and on tarpaulin covers.

THAT WOOD SHOP CAT!

Lt. Storms: "I thought your cat's name was Napoleon?"

Capt. DeCamp: "It was Napoleon until it had kittens."

SPORT BREVITIES

The camp baseball nine will make the trip to Mesves, Sunday, for their first outside game.

The soccer team will go to Autun Sunday afternoon to take a whirl with the team at that place.

The tennis courts are being put into shape for use and some equipment is expected soon.

Three volley ball courts have been prepared on the "Y" athletic field in the rear of the buildings, for the use of the men of the camp.

The Mehun boxing team will meet the Nevers team in a return bout at Nevers on April 4th. About six men will make the trip from here.

The S. O. S. Championship Track Meet which was to be held at Nice on April 12th has been postponed and the meet will be held at Clichy instead, at a date to be announced later.

The tryout meet for the Track Team to represent the local camp at the various meets to be held in the A. E. F. soon will be held on the "Y" athletic field, Sunday afternoon, April 6th.

One day each week has been reserved for the officers on the "Y" baseball diamond and some very good material is being developed. The officers will have a team in the field to contest for the Camp honors.

Nevers Boxers Lose Fast Bouts

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decision. This fight was fast from the start to the finish.

The program of bouts ran as follows: Brown of Mehun and Fisher of Nevers, both weighing 150 lbs., put on a two-round exhibition.

Guido of Nevers and Felts of Mehun, at 128 lbs., followed in the second exhibition go.

Doyle of Bourges won over Wanneck of Nevers, weight 150 lbs., in three fast rounds. There was some good mixing in this fight.

Simoneaux of Nevers lost to Kenney of Mehun, weight 150 lbs. Three rounds.

Hunziker of Mehun lost to Mellot of Mehun in the first round of a three-round bout when Hunziker's seconds threw up the sponge.

Sullivan of Mehun and Sgt. Kenney of Nevers fought a three-round draw. Weight, 160 lbs.

Referee: E. P. Hackett, Pourges; Announcer, Major McAleer.