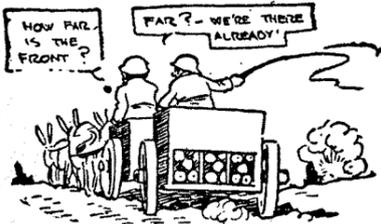
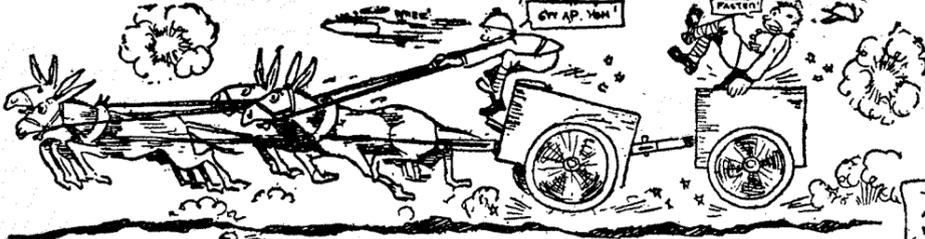


DOING THE FRONT

-By WALLGREN



GOING UP WITH AMMUNITION YOU FIND THE DISTANCE IS TERRIBLY SHORT



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A PLEASANT SENSATION - WAITING FOR A "DIP" TO EXPLODE



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THIS IS A REGULAR FRENCH ELEVATOR - YOU GET OFF WHERE IT STOPS



HELPFUL HINTS

HOW TO MAKE "MONKEY MEAT" PALATABLE

QUELQUES SONS L' MEMBRAS COM' SA

FIRST COOK THE "MONKEY" OUT OF THE CAN BY IMITATING THE WAIL OF A LAMA'S HUMP (WHICH IS ITS NATURAL PROTECTOR) - THEN QUICKLY SURROUND THE BEAST CAREFULLY WITH TURKEY DRESSING AND LOBSTER SALAD, SPRINKLING PROFUSELY WITH HAND GRENADES WITH THE PINS OUT. COLLECT THE REMAINS CONSCIENTIOUSLY FROM THE SURROUNDING SCENERY AND SERVE AS A GRAVY WITH STALBERRY SHORT CAKE. YOU WILL FIND THAT "MONKEY MEAT" TREATED IN THIS MANNER IS REALLY A TASTY DISH - IMPOSSIBLE AS IT SOUNDS.

ALL ABOUT BREAD; ATTENTION, K.P.'S!

Cut It Just So--There's a General Order Out About It

DON'T USE A DULL KNIFE

"Delicate Substance and is Often Abused," According to G.H.Q. Regulations

Yes, own up, consarn ye! Own up that you've been kicking about the bread! Everybody does it when there isn't anything else to kick about--everybody gets fussy about a little thing like food! "Isn't it funny?" No, it isn't funny a bit. Its serious; there's a general order out about it.

The trouble, it seems, is not with the bread, but with the way the K.P.s and the cooks handle it. The kick that you--that we--that everybody who has kicked about the bread has in particular is that it crumbles and falls to pieces when it is cut. That is because it isn't treated right when it first gets into action. That's the reason--and then a few handy little hints for K.P.s and other bread-and-man-handlers will not come in amiss. Here they are:

Don't use a dull knife to cut bread. Get the sharpest one in the kitchen to do the work with, no matter who is using it at the time. Take it away from him by force of arms.

Don't press the knife down and force it through the bread. Use a sawing motion. Bread isn't meant to be cut like cheese; it hasn't the resistance or per-fumery or anything to enable it to stand up under cheese treatment. If you try to press it down, of course you'll break the bread or smash it. You mustn't. As the order says, "bread is a delicate substance at best and is often abused."

Go by Directions

Don't cut up the old ten-pound loaf any old way. Cut it according to directions. You see, it's about 12 inches wide and 24 inches long. Cut it in half through the long dimension, so as to leave the halves about 24 inches long and about 6 inches wide, and about the same thickness as the loaf had when it was baked.

Then, when you have thus cleft the loaf in twain, take one of the halves and turn it up on edge, with the edge made by your first cutting operation flat on the table, the slab, or the stone or whatever you're cutting on. Then slice it up for popular consumption, using the same sawing motion as before, cutting the slices from the top edge (never from the bottom) right through the loaf to the table. And when you get down to the table stop cutting; come back and begin over again.

So the next time they hand you out bread that is all falling apart like the Hapsburg mapochy or crumbling like the German hope, you kick about it, and if the mess sergeant tells you where you get off, just turn on him. Turn on him and spring this:

"Aw, you big stiff! Why don't you cut your bread right in the first place, anyway? Why don't you cut it the way it's laid down in regulations--in Bulletin No. 21, G.H.Q., A.E.F., to be exact? Then you wouldn't never have no trouble with the punk!"

And the sergeant, when he looks up the bulletin, will be properly cowed.

BY THE OLD MILL STREAM

Bathing, or rather swimmin' facilities in the A.E.F. are picking up. You can't go swimmin' very handily if you are upon the edge of No Man's Land, but ta-ta, what a grand and glorious feeling when you get the time and a nice place back in some clear river or pond, throw off the O.D.s and jump in to let your toes sink into the mud and splash among the lilies.

Last week, a certain battalion rambled into a pretty little village in the neighborhood of various little meadow ponds. After the next morning's drill, there followed a company plunge by one company, its first swim of the season.

After that swim the outfit was ready to take clubs and go out after the Hun or anything else. It was some fine spring tonic.

Now there is a division order that all A.E.F. sojers must wear trunks at least when they go swimmin'.

A.E.F. SIMILES

As clever as a guy who can work the shipper for a pass.

As gloomy as a P.G. watching ex-Hamburg-American transports come in at a base port.

As fussy as a quartermaster.

As cautious as a guy out on pass with the dates changed.

As callous as a summary court.

As lucky as a cheese-mite in a mess shack.

As safe as the Home Guards.

HENRY'S PAL TO HENRY

A SERIES OF CENSORED COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE S.O.S. TO THE Z. OF A.

C. ---, France, Tuesday, May 14th.

Friend Henry: It was kind of brutal of that censor who he murdered my last letter wasn't it Henry? Well maybe if I go easy on this one he'll stick his John H. on it right off the bat so's he can get through work quicker. Most sensors don't work much anyhow--not the ones I've saw, Henry. I wished I was one sometime.

How's everything up in the Z. of A. Henry? Everything's all O.K. in the S.O.S., which by the way Henry ought to be W. L. H. for work like--what you call it in French Henry? It sure is that all right. We don't do nothing back here but work.

It don't seem right to stay back here while you birds are doing all the scrap-ping. I for one Henry would rather be up there with you hangin' crape on Fritz's barbed wire fence than staying back here. That's me Henry. That's a funny way to look at it when we've got everything we want back here and more two, and are just as safe from any boche as a mule is from starvation.

I know what I'm talking about Henry for an old Lady Mule just ate my sky piece. But I guess I ain't lost anything at that have I Henry?

Well you're sure in luck for being up at the front. Most of us Henry are all got girls back in the states that's got a funny notion that we'll all come back wearing the cross of honor and'll be genuine ready-made heroes that all the papers back home will want to photograph.

But somebody's give them the wrong kind of dope about this hero stuff Henry. If they call this being a hero Henry I've certainly been one all my life. And if this is really being a hero I don't care to be one more'n 3 or 4 years to the most.

Have you plucked any Hunns yet Henry? I sure would like to get a shot at one. Maybe I will sometime before the war's over.

Well Henry if you've got anything on you for pretty girls you've got to get right up and step some. Henry honest to goodness I've got the prettiest little mademoiselle you ever laid your hazel-blue eyes on. Remember that little dame that used to flirt with us from that upstairs window when we was drilling on Thistle field? Well this one has got her cheated a mile for looks.

Goodbye Henry.

S. T. B.

SAW MILL HUSKIES ENLIST IN A. E. F.

New Englanders Come from Scotland to Enter Army or Navy

Special London Correspondent of THE STARS AND STRIPES

LONDON, July 4.--The A.E.F. is 140 stronger this week--at least that--by the group enlistment today of 140 young Eastern college men of the New England Saw Mill unit.

To get over quickly, they joined this civilian unit early last summer, when an appeal was made in New England.

This work having been completed last week, the men applied by mail to the London base section to recruiting party were ordered to Scotland, where the enlistments were made.

The full unit consisted of 325 men. About 100 went in the Navy. The remainder are electing to try for special service with the A.E.F. or are returning to America for training.

The colleges most largely represented were Harvard, University of Maine, Cornell, Tufts and Oberlin.

While in Scotland, the New England unit broke all cutting records for that part of the country, even outdistancing Canadian foresters with a permanent saw mill.

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Now when we'd sailed unto a foreign clime, I watched my step and never did do time And I laid my gun so very accurately. That now I'm a Corporal of Artillery.

And when in course of time it came to pass, That in spite of Boches and their damned old gas. That I got barrages off so speedily, Why, I got the Sergeantcy of Section III.

But now to save material for tails of shirts, Or to give our lady soldiers fuller skirts. They're saving cloth and though they mean no harm They've taken off the chevrons from my good left arm.

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TO BAR FOREIGNERS

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