

BASE HOSPITAL UNIT NO. 49 WILL BE MAINTAINED

Major A. C. Stokes Will Announce Plans When He Returns to Omaha; Plan Permanent Organization.

Base hospital unit No. 49 will be maintained as an organization, plans for which will be announced when Major A. C. Stokes shall have returned to Omaha.

In a letter to Victor Rosewater, editor of The Bee, the major expresses his regrets that he will be unable to be in Omaha at the time of the homecoming of the unit, and he explains that he has been assigned by the government for service at United States General Hospital No. 1, New York City.

"On my return, which will be soon, I hope to begin the organization," he wrote.

The major has received the following letter from C. H. Connor, colonel, medical corps, assistant director general of military relief:

"It is hoped that you have thought out a plan to keep base hospital No. 49 together, so that it will continue in existence. No doubt, everyone who has had active service with the hospital will desire to continue to be identified with it insofar as circumstances will permit.

"To accomplish this, a social organization should be set up, to which can belong not only everyone who has ever been a member of the unit, but everyone who may be added to it in the future.

"From this organization, the base hospital personnel can be selected for enrollment in accordance with the regulations which the American Red Cross will issue as soon as they are definitely formulated by the medical department of the army.

"The Red Cross base hospitals will be reorganized as 1,000-bed hospitals and the government will store a unit of equipment for each hospital in a government store house as near as possible to the city in which this hospital is located.

"Detailed instructions and muster rolls for your personnel will be issued in the near future. Please write me of any plans you may have in mind which will help to keep the Red Cross base hospitals prepared to meet any future emergency in the same magnificent way they did the one just passing into history."

"Laud Was Good to Pvt. Whitfield; Now Awaits C. M."

This is a story of life over there, told by the Stars and Stripes waving on the spot—a story of wealth descending like manna in a wilderness the grand and glorious feeling of the buck private and the puzzle of the subsequent accounting.

Col. Robert Whitfield, of the general staff, was more and more annoyed when month after month private and his family received the \$3,000 worth of liberty bonds he had ordered from a bank in Arkansas. But annoyance scarcely described the emotion he felt when the bank replied coldly that they not only had sent the bonds, but held his receipt for them.

The colonel wrote the bankers that they were a bunch of crooks, or words to that effect, and he also got a letter to the attorney general with a certified copy of the receipt, and there it was signed, "Robert Whitfield, private, Company I, 370th infantry."

Still somewhat ruffled, but more hopeful, Colonel Whitfield wrote a letter of inquiry to the colonel commanding that regiment of negro infantry which boasted a Private Whitfield. The letter arrived just when rumor was already busy as to the source of Private Whitfield's mysterious wealth.

The men of company I had said nothing when he set them all up to the entire wine stock of the best cafe in Delle, near Belport. But the gossips got busy when he started picking up odds and ends of fine faces and a diamond ring or so—

which fringed the hostess to a lady in the south. The climax was reached when Private Whitfield bought a handsome, tastefully framed landscape painting for 300 francs and hung it over his bunk in a cow stable.

The official inquiry then started brought to light that Private Whitfield had, as suspected, received the bonds. He had received them three as a matter of fact. A bit puzzled, he had tried his best to tuck up some rich uncle in the states who might have sent them to him, but none of his uncles was at all like that. Nor his father, either.

Two he mailed the bonds back. The third time, when they trailed him into the Argonne, he accepted them gratefully. Why?

"Well, suh, Ah jes' natchly reckoned de Lawd mus' a meant to be good to me."

So Private Whitfield is now awaiting trial. The judge advocate is scratching his head. Whatever crime was committed, if any, it certainly was not forgery. Meanwhile, the art exhibit has vanished from the cow stable and the bank where the bonds were hypothecated has made a grab for Private Whitfield's salary, past present and to come.

Quite a way to come, too, according to the present figuring, for it has been calculated that, with all due allowances for insurance and allotments, Private Whitfield will have to stay in the army about 20 years in order to pay for the bonds.

Unless, of course, he is made a quartermaster sergeant, a senior grade.

BRAVE AMERICANS

Portraits of Medal Winners, Made in France and Germany, by JOSEPH CUMMINGS CHASE, Official Portrait Painter of the A. E. F.



DAVID V. BINKLEY OF ALABAMA, COMPANY I, 168TH INFANTRY, 42D DIVISION—Private David V. Binkley sought and obtained permission to go out alone in front of our lines and recover his corporal, who was lying severely wounded in the open. Across an area that was swept by enemy machine guns for more than fifty yards went "Grin Binkley." While the enemy fire was directed at him he reached his corporal, picked him up and carried him in his arms safely back into our lines. He was wounded but refused to go to the aid station and remained in action until his company had won its objective. His citation for the distinguished service cross reads, "For extraordinary heroism in action at Hill 212 near Serzy, northeast of Chateau-Thierry, July 28." He's a sergeant now and a mighty good one.

Count von Bernstorff Is Directing Preparation to Receive Peace Treaty

Germans Await Terms of Allies and Member of Assembly Says They Will Unloose Terrible Upheaval If Attempt Is Made to Enforce Harsh Terms With Military Blockade.

(Note: "Will Germany sign peace?" is the all-absorbing question now that its delegates have been summoned to Versailles. If she does not sign Marshal Foch is ready to take the "proper measures." What then? Here is one answer from a German diplomat, who gives some of the "ins" and "outs" the Germans are prepared to raise. Incidentally, he counts down our old "friend, the enemy," Count von Bernstorff, as the master of the German peace show.—HARTMANN S. O. H. F. VON RICHTHOFFEN.)

Member of the National Assembly at Weimar and one time Imperial Secretary of Legation at Washington. (Special Cable Dispatch.)

Berlin, April 19.—Peace appears to approach more quickly than one has hitherto dared to believe. As a consequence our preparation for the peace negotiations are being intensified.

Ex-Ambassador Count Von Bernstorff has been charged with the direction of the internal preparations for the peace work. Nor can it be doubted that the ablest experts are being consulted. Of external preparations little is heard. Our representatives in neutral countries are mostly of the old regime of whom for that reason alone little useful work can be expected. Also, it is, of course, unknown to the public whether contact has been established with the financial or other politically interested circles abroad.

Await Terms.

This is not the time to criticize the selection of our peace plenipotentiaries. Besides, the main question is not who they are but what awaits them at Paris.

The government might do well to ascertain this beforehand. For we ought to know prior to the departure of these gentlemen whether they will be invited to negotiations, or whether the entente will simply submit to them a fixed and written peace treaty. If the latter is the case, it would be better not to expose our representatives to such a situation. One messenger would suffice to fetch the document, or better still, the treaty could be telegraphed to us.

Want War Prisoners.

There is another question which must be definitely cleared up prior to any new negotiations with the entente. It is the return of the German prisoners of war. Without this peace is certainly impossible as far as we are concerned and of this fact the entente should be informed in good season.

The entente will be unable to escape the weight of such a demand. It may be open to question

whether it was politically wise to allow the German supreme army command to continue officially. But in any case, even when all our prisoners were being repatriated, the entente has nothing to fear from us in military respects. The humane feelings of the entire world will support our demand and even the most malicious and embittered foe would have to yield to that moral pressure.

Insist on Fourteen Points.

Official and semi-official news filtering through from Paris and London must make us reckon with the possibility that the allies may go beyond the Wilsonian principles, upon which alone we agreed to an armistice. On our side it has been repeatedly stated of late that such a procedure would be unacceptable as far as Germany is concerned.

In saying this we are fully aware of our weakness. But in the face of certain national and economic annihilation the decision to reject the allied terms would seem to us the less desperate one.

The entente rulers will not find it an easy matter to continue hostilities in case they go too far in their demands. And a further cutting off of the absolutely necessary foodstuffs would bring about a political situation in our fatherland which would take the decision out of our hands as to whether, in the last back-to-the-wall battle against our destructors we would have to unloose the powers of the world's most terrible upheaval.

Taft at Stop-Over in Omaha Says Huns Will Sign Treaty

Former President Optimistic on Outlook for Future—Believes That Nebraska Will "Go Over Top" In Loan Before New York—Inquires Into Unemployment Question.

"How did you know I was here?" asked former President William Howard Taft, as he sat in the dining room of the Burlington station early yesterday morning, contemplating coffee, eggs, bacon and toast, which were being served by a young woman who evidently sensed the importance of the occasion.

The former president of the United States was the only breakfast attendant in the room. He had an hour between trains en route to Kansas City, where he is to speak in the auditorium.

The genuinity of the distinguished visitor was manifested even before he had partaken of his morning coffee.

Asks Regarding Unemployment.

"Have you many unemployed in Omaha?" he asked in his usual eagerness for information. He was told of the efforts being made in Omaha to rehabilitate the returning soldiers, and he stated that on Friday he was at Wayne, Kearney, Minden and Holdrege and was ready to believe that Nebraska knows how to handle after-the-war problems just as well as the state responded during the period of the war.

"I believe," he continued, "that Nebraska will have its quota before New York in the Victory loan campaign."

Mr. Taft was asked for an expression about the peace conference and the league of nations.

"I am getting too old," he remarked, "to be sure of anything, but I am hopeful, and I really believe, that the terms of peace, with the amendments which have been made, will meet all objections and will be ratified. Germany will agree to the terms. Germany will have to agree and will agree."

Mr. Taft does not look upon the Japanese situation as serious. He expects that Japan will join the league of nations and he believes that Japan has enough internal troubles at home to look after.

"It is not a question of satisfying the emperor of Japan, but of satisfying the Japanese people," he said.

Wants to Know Outcome.

Mr. Taft was here early in January as a member of the National War Labor board to hear the differences then existing between the street car company and the men. He was interested in knowing whether his efforts on that occasion have resulted in favorable conditions.

The president was optimistic in his belief that Americans are anxious and willing to lend themselves to the task of restoring economic affairs, and he said he anticipated general prosperity in this country. He was particularly impressed with business activity he observed during his trip this week through Nebraska.

Value of Clothes Gathered By Red Cross Here \$43,779

Omaha's Quota Was 35,000 Pounds; the Contributions Weighed 53,739 Pounds and Were Packed in 260 Cases for Shipment to Destitute Europe.

The Belgian clothing drive which was held here by the local chapter of American Red Cross yielded articles which were appraised at \$43,779.90. Two hundred and sixty cases were packed at headquarters, 317 South Seventeenth street, ready for overseas shipment. The Omaha quota was 35,000 pounds; the contributions weighed 53,739 pounds.

A few items on the list will indicate the variety and the extent of the shipment: Women's coats, 1,940; women's skirts, 2,006; women's and children's shoes, 4,886 pairs; hats and cap, 2,367; women's waists, 4,620; women's dresses, 4,456; women's underwear, 2,347; women's hose, 6,739 pairs; men's coats and vests, 2,907; men's shirts, 3,630; men's socks, 8,795 pairs; men's shoes, 1,466 pairs; men's underwear, 4,212; also all kinds of children's clothing, blankets, quilts, pillows, overcoats for men and boys.

W. S. Jardine, J. P. Jerpe and T. F. Stroud served on the committee which arranged and packed the goods for shipment to ship at New York City.

Auto Runs Down and Kills Madden Not Candidate for Head of War Veterans

Chicago World's Fair Head Chicago, April 19.—Harlow N. Higenbotham, who died in New York today after being struck by an automobile, was widely known as president of the World's Columbian exposition held in Chicago in 1892.

He was one of the city's few remaining leaders of the generation in which Potter Palmer, Marshall Field and Levi Z. Leiter were chiefs of industry in Chicago, and the middle west.

Mr. Higenbotham would have been 81 years old next fall.

Ray J. Madden, former police judge, one of the nominees for the presidency of the Douglas county chapter of World War Veterans, has asked that his name be canceled from the list.

Ballots have been made up and sent out to all returned soldiers, sailors and marines of Douglas county. Any who are not registered may do so Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at the office of Harley Moorhead in the court house.

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Extra Specials for Monday

Women's \$2.50 Gingham and Percale House Dresses—All sizes, Monday, at.... \$1.50
Women's and Misses' \$2.50 Heatherbloom Petticoats—With Silk Plounces; 10 dozen Monday, at.... \$1.50
Women's \$1.50 Bungalow Aprons—Large, roomy aprons; Monday, special at.... 95¢

Dark colors. Monday, at.... 69¢
Women's Long Challie Kimonos—Worth \$1.00. Monday, at.... 69¢
Dix's Make Fine Gingham House Dresses—Worth \$5.00. Monday, at.... \$3.95

We Carry a Full Line of Dix's Make House Dresses, Porch Dresses, Nurses' and Maids' Uniforms.

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A complete stock of papers for living rooms, dining rooms, library, etc., at Before the War Prices.

Latest designs in Tapestries, 75c and 50c values, at, per roll.... 34¢
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A fine line of papers in light and dark effects, suitable for living rooms and dining rooms, with borders, at, per roll.... 10¢
Latest designs in bed room papers with pretty borders, at, per roll.... 5¢

Our celebrated Oak Brand Guaranteed House Paints, at, per gallon.... \$2.95
Oak Brand Floor Varnish, qt.... \$2.00
Durable Floor Varnish, qt.... \$2.00
No-Mar Floor Varnish, qt.... \$2.00
All brands Wall Paper Cleaner, per can.... 10¢
H. R. H. paint cleaner, pkg.... 10¢

7-ply 3/4-inch molded Garden Hose, 50 feet in length, cash price.... \$10.00
Lawn Mowers.
14-inch ball-bearing Lawn Mowers.... \$5.75
16-inch ball-bearing Lawn Mowers.... \$7.25
White Mountain Refrigerators.
50-lb. capacity.... \$17.50
75-lb. capacity.... \$26.50
100-lb. capacity, solid stoned lined.... \$55.50
Ice chests.... \$9.00

Here's Some Grocery Prices That'll Interest You for Monday's Special Sale

48-lb sack Best High-Grade Flour.... \$2.98
25-lb sack Pure Hot Flour.... \$1.50
10-lb best Pure Cane Granulated Sugar.... 98¢
5-lb best White or Yellow Corn Meal.... 50¢
The best Bulk Rolled Oatmeal, lb. 5¢
Why pay 10c for Package oats? Fancy Japan Rice, per lb.... 11¢
The best Hand-Picked Beans, lb.... 10¢
The best Domestic Hamard, Egggetti or Egg Noodles, pkg.... 7¢
Corn Flakes, pkg.... 7¢
Granulated Sugar, 10-lb.... 12¢
Gallon cans Golden Table Syrup, 10¢
No. 2 cans Fancy Sweet Sugar.... 12¢
No. 1 cans Fancy Sweet Sugar.... 12¢
No. 2 cans Early June Peas.... 10¢
No. 1 cans Fancy Hops Tomatoes.... 12¢
No. 2 cans Fancy Hawaiian Sliced Pineapple.... 12¢
Fancy Assorted Pickles, bottled.... 10¢

Large bottles Pure Tomato Catsup.... 25¢
16-oz cans Pet or Carnation Milk.... 15¢
16-oz can Wilson Milk.... 15¢
6-oz can Wilson Milk.... 6¢
Kanso Syrup, per can.... 10¢
Jell-O for dessert, pkg.... 11¢
Pure Old Virginia, bottle.... 10¢
Red or White Vinegar, gallon.... 10¢
Tall cans Fancy Pink Salmon.... 20¢
Tall cans Fancy Red Salmon.... 20¢
Yeast Foam, pkg.... 4¢

Special Dried Fruit Prices.
Fancy Evaporated Apples, lb.... 20¢
Fancy Thompson's Seedless Raisins, lb.... 12¢
No. 1 Muscatel Raisins, lb.... 15¢
Sieved Muscatel Raisins, lb.... 10¢
Choice California Prunes, lb.... 10¢
Medium large California Prunes, lb.... 10¢
Choice California Apples, lb.... 10¢
Fancy Evaporated Peas, lb.... 25¢
No. 1 California English Walnuts, per lb.... 25¢
Fancy Assorted Pickles, bottled.... 10¢

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Mocha and Java, the old reliable, lb. 40¢
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FRESH VEGETABLE SALE MONDAY
Fresh Spinach, per bunch.... 7¢
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Fresh Cabbage, per lb.... 5¢
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Fancy Rippe Tomatoes, lb. 12 1/2¢
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Get One In Your Home? Capt. Anderson, who just got married at Plattsburg, is a grandson of the journalist, Charles A. Dana, and in an interview he said: "My grandfather believed in marriage. He thought it steadied a man. I remember a story he used to tell. "It's a story about a chap who asked "Have you ever heard anything about a machine for telling when a man is lying?" "Sure," said the man. "Have you ever seen one?" said the chap. "Seen one?" said the man. "By gosh, I married one!"—Washington Star.

Four Million Ballots On Mooney Strike Plan Sent to Union Members

San Francisco, April 19.—Four million ballots on the question of three successive nationwide strikes in behalf of Thomas J. Mooney and his co-defendants will be sent union members throughout the country in the next few days. Edward D. Nolan, secretary of the Industrial Workers' Defense League, announced here today. The votes will be canvassed in Chicago beginning June 1, Nolan said.

Five American Officers Killed in Aerial Accident

Washington, April 19.—Five lieutenants and a sergeant of the American expeditionary force are recorded as dead from airplane accident in an army list issued today. Their names follow: Lieutenants: Charles R. Gustafson, Duluth, Minn.; Frederick S. Hartman, Brookline, Mass.; Jerry T. Illich, San Francisco; William C. Morris, Concord, N. C.; Charles F. Volk, New York. Sergeant William T. Carson, Burton, W. Va.