

## No. 4 Company Notes

While wandering through the trench yesterday, I came across my old friend Mac, who was, like the old lady in the good book, diligently sweeping.

"Hullo, Mac" I said "What's the matter?" Have you lost something "No" he slowly replied with a grave look on his face, "I am just trying to make this crooked trench Gibson-proof."

## Things we want to Know

If No. 3 Co. scouts were sore because 13 platoon went out, in broad daylight, between the lines and brought in the German newspapers and notice board?

If someone in authority thinks it a joke to send down a sealed up rum bottle with the rations, spread the report that there is to be a rum issue in the morning, and then, when we go for it, tell us that there is only lime-juice.

If some of the companies did not get more of a bath marching to and from the bath-house, than they did at the bath-house itself.

Why the sick report is so lengthy on working party nights; and if the M.O. is wise.

Why the lime juice is so plentyful; and if it is really "bon" for soldiers.

Why L. H...s pack is so heavy; and if it really contains clothing only.

When our reinforcements will be up; and if they will be able to speak English.

Whether the M.O. personally supervises the dipping of the respirators for the carrier pigeons; and if they fully realise their importance.

Why it was so difficult to get volunteers for the Church Parade from No. 4. Co.; and if the S.M. seemed peeved about it.

If L... J...s has yet discovered the "big dipper"; and if so will it add to his qualifications as a scout.

If C... ever found the obstacle he sprained his ankle on; and if it was a bottle.

If the M.O. is any good at pulling teeth; and if so who told him.

Why sick parade is so much more popular than church parade; and if this is entirely due to the M.O.'s personality.

Who proclaimed a certain man in the Transport the champion feather weight boxer, and what has he done to uphold his reputation?

What the Transport Sergeant thought when the roof leaked one night at Fleurbaix.

Where our famous chef and underchef graduated, and which of them discovered the art of making bread puddings?

Clothes make the man, but will a large hat make him more formidable?

Who was the young driver who got his spurs tangled up in the table cloth when visiting a young lady in England?

Did the new warrior from Shornecliffe find the bayonet for the machine gun?

How did he make out on his first job. i. e. tying the "listening post" to the "last post" with a yard of "firing line"?

## Answers to Correspondents

*In Doubt*: — Shornecliffe and "Easy mark": — Shrapnel bullets will not grow barbed wire.

*Reinforcement*: — No, it is not necessary to keep in step when carrying sand bags, barbed wire, bombs or any other delicate instruments of warfare. With regard to the lighting of cigarettes in the firing line always chose a place near the parapet where there are plenty of sentries looking over. This gives the enemy a better chance to display his marksmanship.

The Germans are making the most strenuous efforts to cleanse their beautiful language of all foreign words. The General Officer commanding the second corps District (Stettin) has forbidden the use of the French word "Hotel", which is to be replaced by the more Teutonic "Gast Haus".

We would suggest that the word "Gas House" would be more appropriate.

## ADVERTISEMENTS

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L... S.....s prop. C.Q.M.S. Moran Mess Mgr.  
Corner of Philpot Ave and Humble Str.  
Evansville.

### Rules

No regular meals will be served.  
Guests are forbidden to eat while on duty, or invite friends to eat with them.

Wood and Water may be obtained at B... Farm.

Rum may be had at rare intervals.

To swear by anything stronger than "Boots Bug Powder" Strictly forbidden.

### Attractions

Excellent GROUSE - ing right to hand

Good SNIPE - ing just over the road.

Fine hunting, and (weather permitting) fishing.

On moonlight nights sometimes music of all kinds may be heard escaping through the cracks in the Officers Mess, and often a Bullet is heard to sing.

WORKING PARTIES and RATION PARTIES, every night.

News of importance is recieved every night by GERMAN WIRELESS.

PAPERS, "The LISTENING POST."

### Ka - hoo - chi.

Upon good authority we learn that the Germans have mined every road in Belgium. The only thing that they never mind is their own business.

Our Sgt. must have made good use of his time, whilst on his recent visit to England.

Since his return he has given us several selections on his whistle. By special request he will play that favorite selection "The Lost Pea" followed by an encore.

He will also sing "I've got my eyes on you" and "Hold your hand out Naughty Boy". The audience are requested to give perfect order, during the rendering of these selections.

When you rifle a dead German, you dont need your bayonet.

Bright Canadian wishes to know, will the Maxim Hiram for its Maxim-um output.

The listening post having been painted, we will now set fire to the pe(atrol).

Why shouldn't the man in the moon stand-to when he gets a quarter a month.

*Private.* (returning from sick parade) "The doctor has given me a fatigue".

*Sergeant.* "But your sheet says excused all fatigues".

*Private.* "Well he told me to wash my feet before I have it dressed again".

*C... P...s* (to reinforcements) "Glad to see you boys, but you all look alike. How shall I know you?"

*Voice from rear.* "Why not Marc-us".

*Pte.* A "Wat kind of cigarettes have you got?"

*Pte.* B. (handing him one) "Flor de Kitchener".

*Pte.* A (takes a few puffs and throws it hun-ward remarking) "They would floor better men than Kitchener".

We would like to know who it is that doubts a certain aristocratic Private's word as to his being well bred. He is crumby enough to be all bread.

Some of the staff at Wolfe's Bureau would make good billiard players. They quote:— Our cannon causes English reverse.

The cannon may have been there but statement has to be read with the reverse English on the ball.

Can you spell it.

Ma was in the garden sowing seeds  
Sister Susie was sewing shirts for soldiers  
They were both- - - - cant spell it.