

JANUARY—The year 1917 commences this month, and Christmas will seem a long way off. Warm weather need not be expected during January. We are pretty sure to receive our Christmas mail towards the end of this month.

FEBRUARY—A short month as usual. Bad weather may be looked for. Original members of the Division will hear many rumours of a long holiday back in Canada, but will be well advised not to commence shining up their buttons on the strength of these rumours. The month will come to a sudden stop on the 28th.

MARCH—Germany will call up her 1923 recruits this month, ten men in all. These will be distributed equally among the various fronts. Iron Crosses will be discontinued in the German Army. Heroes will be awarded bread tickets instead, which may be sent to their homes as evidence of their doughty deeds. There will be more bad weather this month.

APRIL—THE Big Push will start in April. Paymasters will be issued with tanks in order to follow up their units and pay them without interfering with operations. Men being paid will hop onto the back step in turn and receive their money through the pantry window. Letters to be censored will be inserted through the periscope. If the war does not finish this month it is pretty certain to last well into the month following. Kilts will become fashionable once more.

MAY—The war, not having finished the previous month, will be in full swing. A fall of snow may be looked for during the first part of the month. Towards the end of May President Wilson will send his final note to Germany apologizing for having troubled them about that little Lusitania affair.

JUNE—The Fall of Berlin will be expected daily. Whether it will fall to the Russians or to the French and British troops is difficult to foresee. Should Berlin be

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taken the United States will express a strong desire to come into the war in the interests of Humanity and Liberty. More bad weather.

JULY—The Fall of Berlin will still be expected daily. The warm weather will commence and finish this month. There will be great consternation at Corps Headquarters among N.C.O.s and men on their tenth leave being stopped.

The war will be much nearer an end than it was last year at this time.

AUGUST—Commencement of the 4th year of war. This month will be full of tragedy for cartoonists as the Kaiser will shave off his celebrated moustache in order to prepare for flight should hostilities suddenly cease. Berlin not having yet fallen the United States will continue to observe a strict neutrality and the war will in all likelihood continue into the following month. More weather this month.

SEPTEMBER—Winter will begin during the month of September. If peace is not declared this month the war will probably continue as before. The Central Powers will be starved out for the empty-umph time. The Fall of Berlin may occur during the month—then again it may not. In any event preparations will be made for another winter campaign.

OCTOBER—A month very popular with the "end-of-the-war" prophets. The war should end this month but probably won't. Owing to the bad weather the Fall of Berlin may be postponed to a future date. It is expected that the Kaiser will once more allow his moustache to grow. The weather will be something to write home about.

NOVEMBER—The Declaration of Peace, Conscription for Canada and Ireland, the entry of the United States into the war, and Prohibition in Poperhinghe are events which may or may not happen in the month of November. The weather will be nothing to write home about.



Memories of Christmas