

## ATTICA CENTER

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Sattler, who have been living with Mr. and Mrs. June Hodge of Bennington the past year and a half, have returned and will make their home with Mr. and Mrs. George Schaub for the present.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Tanner and daughter, Olive spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Weber.

Mrs. George Ahl spent Wednesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gassman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Winchester and daughter, Bertha spent Sunday afternoon at D. H. Edwards'.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nesbitt and children of Perry came Saturday to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Nesbitt and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Winchester. Mr. Nesbitt has accepted a position at Summit, N. J. and will leave for that place in a few days. Mrs. Nesbitt and children will remain for an indefinite visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Millington of Buffalo were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Winchester. Noel Winchester spent Sunday at the same place.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sharp and children spent Sunday at E. J. Lewis'.

Miss Ruth Gassman spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Greene of Buffalo were over Sunday guests of Mrs. Fred Greene and Edward Greene.

Merritt, Merrill and Emma Myers spent Sunday at Will Sondericker's.

## SILVER LAKE

Mrs. Mary Bauer and daughter of Buffalo has rented one of Ray Severns cottages for the summer.

Mrs. Cora Colburn has opened her cottage on Hedding avenue.

John Blood has returned to the Assembly.

Master Thomas Donovan, Jr., celebrated his seventh birthday Sunday. He had several of his young school friends to dinner.

Mrs. P. G. Smith of New York is visiting her mother, Mrs. F. B. Smith.

The B. R. & P. railroad company have cleaned around the depot in fine shape.

There don't seem to be much doing now at the Country club.

Mrs. Barnes of Buffalo has rented one of Ray Severns' cottages for the summer.

Miss Kingston of Canasera has been spending several days at her cottage.

Miss Lottie Adams was in Rochester several days last week on business.

## TOWN LINE

George West found business in Warsaw on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Royce and children called on Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jones also Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Head on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Warren found business in North Java recently.

Mrs. Cora Lawrence of Attica called on Mrs. M. Standish and Mrs. John Stalhold on Sunday.

Messrs C. M. Head and Fred Royce were in Warsaw on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Stanley of Varysburg called on Mr. and Mrs. Dean Stanley and Mr. and Mrs. George West on Sunday.

John Klump called at Manley Baker's on Sunday.

Edward and Anthony Riter and sister Stella of Sheldon spent Sunday with their aunt, Mrs. M. Standish and family.

Mrs. Frank Elmore and son called on her sister, Mrs. Dean Stanley on Saturday.

Mrs. John Stalhold spent one day recently with Mrs. Wm. Stalhold of Quakertown.

Master Lyman Smith spent a few days recently with his aunt, Mrs. John Standish of Johnsonburg.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Stanley of Varysburg called at John Klumps on Sunday.

## BLISS

Thos. B. Canny of Buffalo was a recent guest of B. J. Pfeffer and wife.

Roy McCall of Ashford came Saturday night to see his sick father, John McCall.

Lester Lee has moved into the A. Ward house.

Mrs. Maude Nelson and children spent from Friday until Monday in Warsaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nichols from Perry were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Nelson.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McCall from Warsaw, James Conroy and wife from Perry, Willie McCall from Gainesville were in town Saturday and Sunday to see John McCall, who is very sick.

Maggie McEvoy from Gloversville is visiting Mrs. Stacie McGurgen.

Mrs. D. S. Merville is spending a few days in Rochester the first of the week.

## HOEHANDLE

A number from her attended the Red Cross dance at VanSlyke's Hall at Lamont Friday. The report is they received \$110.

W. H. Washburn and family spent Sunday with their parents, Wm. Washburn and wife at Silver Springs.

F. E. Andrews and family were Sunday callers at O. V. Winegar's.

Clarence Dietzel of Castile was a Sunday caller at P. W. Michael's.

Earl Young and wife spent Sunday with their parents, F. A. Wilson and wife.

Mrs. Carrie Dahn and George Howe of Castile spent Sunday with Mr. Howe's brother, Frank of Gainesville.

Lawrence Wallace and family visited relatives in Warsaw Saturday night and Sunday.

## LAMONT

W. C. T. U. meet with Mrs. Rose Hopcock this week Thursday afternoon, April 25.

The Red Cross party that was held last Friday evening, netted over one hundred dollars.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Keeney and Mr. Brookline of Perry Center called on Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Tice and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Geyer Sunday.

Mr. Keppen arrived Monday with a load of goods for E. Tooley from Plattsburg with his auto truck.



# "OVER THE TOP"

## AN AMERICAN SOLDIER WHO WENT

### ARTHUR GUY EMPY

MACHINE GUNNER, SERVING IN FRANCE

## CHAPTER XVIII.

## Staged 'Under Fire.'

Three days after the incident just related our company was relieved from the front line and carried. We stayed in reserve billets for about two weeks when we received the welcome news that our division would go back to the line "to rest billets." We would remain in these billets for at least two months, this in order to be restored to our full strength by drafts of recruits from Blighty.

Everyone was happy and contented at these tidings; all you could hear around the billets was whistling and singing. The day after the receipt of the order we hiked for five days, making an average of about twelve miles per day until we arrived at the small town of O—

It took us about three days to get settled, and from then on our cushy time started. We would parade from 8:45 in the morning until 12 noon. Then except for an occasional bill or brigade guard we were on our own. For the first four or five afternoons I spent my time in bringing up to date my neglected correspondence.

Tommy loves to be amused, and being a Yank, they turned to me for something new in this line. I taught them how to pitch horseshoes, and this game made a great hit for about ten days. Then Tommy turned to America for a new diversion. I was up in the air until a happy thought came to me. Why not write a sketch and break Tommy in as an actor?

One evening after "lights out," when you are not supposed to talk, I imparted my scheme in whispers to the section. They eagerly accepted the idea of forming a stock company and could hardly wait until the morning for further details.

After parade, the next afternoon I was almost mobbed. Everyone in the section wanted a part in the proposed sketch. When I informed them that it would take at least ten days of hard work to write the plot, they were bitterly disappointed. I immediately got busy, made a desk out of biscuit tins in the corner of the billet, and put up a sign "Empy & Wallace Theatrical Co." About twenty of the section, upon reading this sign, immediately applied for the position of office boy. I accepted the twenty applicants, and sent them on scouting parties throughout the deserted French village.

These parties were to search all the attics for discarded civilian clothes, and anything that we could use in the props of our proposed company.

About five that night they returned covered with grime and dust, but loaded down with a miscellaneous assortment of everything under the sun. They must have thought that I was going to start a department store, judging from the different things they brought back from their pillage.

After eight days' constant writing I completed a two-act farce comedy which I called "The Diamond Palace Saloon." Upon the suggestion of one of the boys in the section I sent a proof of the program to a printing house in London. Then I assigned the different parts and started rehearsing. David Belasco would have thrown up his hands in despair at the material which I had to use. Just imagine trying to teach a Tommy, with a strong cockney accent, to impersonate a Bowery tough or a Southern negro.

Adjacent to our billet was an open field. We got busy at one end of it and constructed a stage. We secured the lumber for the stage by demolishing an old wooden shack in the rear of our billet.

The first scene was supposed to represent a street on the Bowery in New York, while the scene of the second act was the interior of the Diamond Palace saloon, also on the Bowery.

In the play I took the part of Abe Switch, a farmer, who had come from Pumpkinville Center, Tenn., to make his first visit to New York.

In the first scene Abe Switch meets the proprietor of the Diamond Palace saloon, a ramshackle affair which to the owner was a financial loss.

The proprietor's name was Tom Twistum, his bartender being named Fillem Up.

After meeting Abe, Tom and Fillem Up persuaded him to buy the place, promising it to the skies and telling wondrous tales of the money taken over the bar.

While they are talking, an old Jew named Ike Cohenstein comes along, and Abe engages him for cash. After engaging Ike they meet an old Southern negro called Sambo, and upon the suggestion of Ike he is engaged as porter. Then the three of them, arm in arm, leave to take possession of this wonderful palace which Abe has just paid \$6,000 for. (Curtain.)

In the second act the curtain rises on the interior of the Diamond Palace saloon, and the audience gets its first shock. The saloon looks like a pigpen, two tramps lying drunk on the floor, and the bartender in a dirty shirt with his sleeves rolled up, asleep with his head on the bar.

Enter Abe, Sambo and Ike, and the fun commences.

One of the characters in the second act was named Broadway Kate, and I had an awful job to break in one of the Tommies to act and talk like a woman.

Another character was Alkali Ike, an

Arizona cowboy, who just before the close of the play comes into the saloon and wrecks it with his revolver.

We had eleven three-hour rehearsals before I thought it advisable to present the sketch to the public.

The whole brigade was crazy to witness the first performance. This performance was scheduled for Friday night and everyone was full of anticipation; when bang! orders came through that the brigade would move at two that afternoon. Cursing and blinding was the order of things upon the receipt of this order, but we moved.

That night we reached the little village of S— and again went into rest billets. We were to be there two weeks. Our company immediately got busy and scoured the village for a suitable place in which to present our production. Then we received another shock.

A rival company was already established in the village. They called themselves "The Bow Bells," and put on a sketch entitled, "Blighty—What Hopes?" They were the divisional concert party.

We hoped they all would be soon in Blighty to give us a chance. This company charged an admission of a franc per head, and that night our company went en masse to see their performance. It really was good.

I had a sinking sensation when I thought of running my sketch in opposition to it.

In one of their scenes they had a sonnetre called Flossie. The soldier that took this part was clever and made a fine-appearing and chic girl. We immediately fell in love with her until two days after, while we were on a march, we passed Flossie with "her" sleeves rolled up and the sweat pouring from "her" face unloading shells from a motor lorry.

As our section passed her I yelled out: "Hello, Flossie; Blighty—What Hopes?" Her reply made our love die out instantly.

"Ah, go to h—!" This brought quite a laugh from the marching column directed at me, and I instantly made up my mind that our sketch should immediately run in opposition to "Blighty—What Hopes?"

When we returned to our billet from the march, Curley Wallace, my theatrical partner, came running over to me and said he had found a swanky place in which to produce our show.

After taking off my equipment, and followed by the rest of the section, I went over to the building he had picked out. It was a monstrous barn with a platform at one end which would make an ideal stage. The section got right on the job, and before night had that place rigged out in apple-pie order.

The next day was Sunday and after church parade we put all our time on a dress rehearsal, and it went fine.

I made four or five large signs announcing that our company would open up that evening at the King George the Fifth theater, on the corner of Amno street and Sandbag terrace. General admission was one-half franc. First ten rows in orchestra one franc, and boxes two francs. By this time our printed programs had returned from London, and I further announced that on the night of the first performance a program would be given free of charge to men holding tickets costing a franc or over.

We had an orchestra of seven men and seven different instruments. This orchestra was excellent, while they were not playing.

The performance was scheduled to start at 6 p. m.

At 5:15 there was a mob in front of our one entrance and it looked like a big night. We had two boxes each accommodating four people, and these we immediately sold out. Then a brilliant idea came to Ike Cohenstein. Why not use the rafters overhead, call them boxes, and charge two francs for a seat on them? The only difficulty was how were the men to reach these boxes, but to Ike this was a mere detail.

He got long ropes and tied one end around each rafter and then tied a lot of knots in the ropes. These ropes would take the place of stairways.

We figured out that the rafters would seat about forty men and sold that number of tickets accordingly.

When the ticketholders for the boxes got a glimpse of the rafters and were informed that they had to use the rope stairways, there was a howl of indignation, but we had their money and told them that if they did not like it they could write to the management later and their money would be refunded; but under these conditions they would not be allowed to witness the performance that night.

After a little grunting they accepted the situation with the promise that if the show was rotten they certainly would let us know about it during the performance.

handle and smash it, to give the impression that Alkali was a good shot. Alkali Ike started in and aimed at the right of the line of bottles instead of the left, and the poor boob behind the scenes started breaking the bottles on the left, and then the boxholder turned loose; but outside of this little fiasco the performance was a huge success, and we decided to run it for a week.

New troops were constantly coming through, and for six performances we had the "S. R. O." sign suspended outside.

Continued next week.

## SOUTH WYOMING

Geo. McCauley of Dale was a guest of his son, Henry and family several days last week.

Miss Maude Schraeder of West Warsaw was recently a guest of Mrs. Charles Parmenter at Sayre farm.

Word has been received from Grant Miller and family that they are nicely settled in Batavia and like it very much.

Byron Payne and wife entertained some of their friends at dancing Friday evening.

Messrs Charles Matthews and Geo. Hammond were canvassing this section one day last week in the interest of the third Liberty Loan.

Mrs. Genevieve Conger called on Mrs. J. Dutton at Warsaw on Tuesday of last week.

Quite a number of the ladies from this street attended the missionary tea at the Baptist church on Friday afternoon.

Dan McAllister is trying to advance the repair work on his dwelling house on Carlton Hill as fast as possible but is finding much difficulty in securing workmen.

Oscar Oleson is back working for Charles Perry again.

E. O. Kelley of North Wyoming who has been suffering with rheumatism is improving under the treatment of Dr. Andrews.



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Dated January 24, 1918.  
FRANK HEALY,  
Administrator.

M. L. COLEMAN,  
Attorney for Administrator,  
4-29 Warsaw, N. Y.

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TEACHER OF VOICE

1025 Buffalo St., Warsaw, N. Y.

## IMPORTANT!

Don't put your winter clothing away until you have them over hauled and put in shape for next winter.

## HIGGINS

will call for them. Let him know by card or Warsaw Bell phone 232-R.

Bring in your Kid gloves and have them cleaned.

## VARYSBURG

O. E. Buck of Curriers has began making cheese boxes in Hogue's factory. He has rooms in Mrs. Mina Hall's residence.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Werner in the Olean hospital on Sunday, April 14th.

Mrs. Josephine Hall is spending two weeks with her granddaughter, Mrs. Grace Franchmont of Buffalo.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Youngers on Thursday, April 18th, weight ten and one-half pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. George Scott of Attica were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Scott from Tuesday until Friday.

Mrs. J. W. Whitney is visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. B. Houghton of Bath.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Donnelly have received notice that their son Charles has landed safely in France.

Charles Hasselbeck and family and Miss Sylvia Becker called on Mrs. Peter Bolling of Wethersfield on Sunday.

C. Jones, who has worked in the Curtis Aeroplane works of Buffalo the past four months, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gior of Attica were Sunday guests of their mother, Mrs. Kate Zahler.

Mr. and Mrs. George Newell have moved from the Stone house to the Dauber farm on the Creek road.

Miss Jennie Riber has gone to Batavia where she has employment.

Mrs. Charles Jones and daughter, Lurene were in Warsaw on Tuesday.

## ATTICA

Attica Has Gone "Over the Top" Attica's quota for the Third Liberty Loan was \$92,600. R. E. French, chairman of the committee reports that at five o'clock Monday, April 22nd (which marked the close of a ten day's drive) the sale of \$95,600 in Liberty Bonds, \$3000 above the quota and more coming in all the time.

Girl Scouts Present Service Flag At the regular meeting of the board, in the Corporation building Monday evening, April 22, the Girl Scouts presented to Mayor B. F. French and the Board of Trustees of Attica, a Service Flag.

The size of the flag is ten by eighteen feet and has 105 stars.

The flag committee: H. M. Morgan, chairman, E. P. Spink, F. J. Morgan and R. W. Harris and the Board of Trustees are planning a flag raising and patriotic demonstration on May 30th.

Woodruff-Ward Mr. and Mrs. William Ward of East avenue announce the engagement of their daughter, Catherine B. to Mr.

Claude A. Woodruff of Buffalo. The marriage to take place in June.

The Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist church met in the church parlors Wednesday afternoon, April 24. Mrs. Comen of Buffalo, wife of the District Superintendent addressed the meeting.

Robert Cogswell, who is called in the next contingent, has been granted permission to finish his course at Colgate University before leaving for camp.

William Houston spent Monday in Buffalo.

The Misses Helen and Lois Bullock of West Main street spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Bronson of Buffalo.

Misses Viva Torry and Elizabeth Young spent Saturday in Batavia.

Mrs. C. B. Becker and Marie McMahon were in Buffalo Tuesday.

Mowry A. Arnold a young farmer of Bethany and son, of J. T. Arnold of Prospect street has enlisted in the engineering corps and left Buffalo Saturday morning for Waco, Texas.

His father J. T. Arnold was in Buffalo to see him off.

Rev. J. F. Leffler pastor of Normal Park M. E. church of Buffalo and former pastor of Attica M. E. church has offered his services for Y. M. C. A. work in France and is leaving with fifteen others, about the middle of May.

About twenty relatives and friends of Mrs. H. T. Bramer, gave her a surprise party Monday evening, April 22 at her home in Walnut street, in honor of her birthday. A delightful evening, was enjoyed by all and all present hoped there may be many more such gatherings.

Mrs. M. D. Morgan was in Warsaw Saturday.

Miss Juanita Bowman who resigned her position as bookkeeper for the Duoform company, has accepted a position in Buffalo and is now commuting on the Erie.