"Over the Top"

By An American Soldier Who Went

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CHAPTER XII.

Bombing.

The boys in the section welcomed me back, but there were many strange faces. Several of our men had gone West in that charge, and were lying "somewhere in France" with a little

wooden cross at their heads. We were



Throwing Hand Grenades.

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ling school an old we great of they there are is in one of a country to be full nelier generals, where I had the good by one of the the compactities. fortune to meet, teld ate of the dearenngements this branch of the errors for brack the "Mais" has the consuffered before they could must she Germans on an equal feeting, (1) fists and so it arms people in it. he self-ranto area U. S. please read with care.) The first English expeditioners forces had an hands at all that heat chelort a but of casualties from these thrown In the Boches, the tright madeling settlemen higher has a domaden and lesson and order detailing two men from encit platmen to you to beguling school to learn the darks of a bomber and her to moneta upo bombs. Noncommissidned offeres were generally selected for this centre. After about two weeks at school they remembed to their units in rest billets or in the fire trench, as the case might be, and got lossy traching their plateens how to

make "irm tire" Previously an order had been begand for all canks to save county into this for the war is other of boths. A profeesog et legisle, would sit en the fire step in the front tranch at hat the remain for of this sec. on consein. pround to see him work.

On his left would be a pile of empty and rus v jam thus, while beside him on the fire step would be a miscellaneous a section at of material word in the manufacture of the "iam tins."

Tenuny would stoop down, get an empty "I'm tie" take a bondfal of cinvey must from the paragon, and flow the inside of the tin with this substance. Then he would much over, pick up his deterrator and explosive. and insert them in the tin, tuse protruding. On the fire step would be a pile of fractions of shell, shreppel balls, bits of iron, noils, etc.-anything that was hard enough to send over to Fritz; he would scoop up a handful of this junk and put it in the bomb. Perhaps one of the platoon would ask him what he did this for, and he would explain that when the homb exploded these bits would fly about and kill or wound any German hit by same; the questioner would immediately pull a button off his tanic and hand it to expert at throwing; it is a new game. She had not told him he was wrong. the bomb maker with, "Well, blame to him, therefore the Canadians and but it was just as the inventor said me, send this over as a sonvenir," or | Americans, who have played baseball "If you understand the case and the another Tommy would volunteer an from the kindergarten up, take natu- law governing it, any one can tell what old rusty and broken jackknife; both rally to bomb throwing and excel in will happen. Certain things always

would be accepted and inserted. Then the professor would take another bendful of mud and fill the tin. after which he would punch a hole in the lid of the tin and put it over the top of the bomb, the fuse sticking out, Then perhaps he would tightly wrap | their bombs when throwing them, but wire around the ontside of the fin, and a pitcher who can do this would make the bomb was ready to send over to

Fritz with Toning's compliments, A piece of wood about four inches wide had been issued. This was to be strapped on the left forearm by means of two leather straps and was like the side of a match box; it was called a "striker." There was a tip like the

timed to five seconds or longer. Some of the fuses issued in those days would others would "sizz" for a week before exploding. Back in Blighty the munition workers weren't quite up to snuff, the way they are now. If the fuse took erally burled the bomb maker next day. So making bombs could not be called a "cushy" or safe job.

After making several bombs the professor instructs the platoon in throwing them. He takes a "jam tin" from the fire step, trembling a little, because it is nervous work, especially when new at it, lights the fuse on his striker. The fuse begins to "sizz" and sputter and a spiral of smoke, like that from a smoldering fag, rises from it. The platoon splits in two and ducks around the traverse nearest to them. They don't like the looks and sound of the burning fuse. When that fuse begins to smoke and "sizz" you want to say good-by to it as soon as possible, so Tommy with all his might chucks it over the top and crouches against the parapet, waiting for the explosion.

Lots of times in hombing the "jam tin" would be picked up by the Gerback at Tommy with dire results.

After a lot of men went West in this manner an order was issued, reading something like this:

"To all ranks in the British army: After igniting the fuse and before slowly one! two! three!"

This in order to give the fuse time enough to burn down, so that the bomb would explode before the Germans could throw it back.

them all, but after he ignired the fuse and it began to smoke-orders were forgotten, and away she went in record time and back she came to the further

Then another order was issued to

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You do not see a bomb the way p baseball is through manager, when in IMOTHER HAD PEASONED WELL married to the first real and as a filler to stail or property in particles, improved Decision That Combined Strict Justice or perspect, and then deeps goes the beath, and, in a couple of scenaris of

In throwing the bomb and lever are grashed in the right hand, the left foot is advanced to the about one and a baif its to the front while the right has been been is empried be thrown. The position is similar to that of she't to her, only that the right arm is a at the spanied. Then everboad bactur medica the same as in erwicet, throwing it fairly blon in the sir this in order to give the inse a chance to be a down so that when plantes and gives the Cormons no time to scamper out of its range or to re-

As the bomb leaves your hand, the the dear was the stay by the h ver, by areans of a spring, is projected | era fact, and to be held on home or so, into the air and falls barm'essly to on one as a contractor that door the ground a few feet in front of the control to a condition as early a rea-

When the lever flies off it refenses chat. Then the face of the Kingdom, a strong spring, which forces the firing the Spice in M . worked; every one pin into a percussion cap. This ignites have what would happen. The box the fuse, which burns down and sets prome whom we were and bearing off the determine, charged with fulmihate of mercury, which explodes the voice as he said "I'd nather stay in main charge of ammonal.

The average British soldier is not an don't care about the things." this act. A six-foot English bomber | work certain ways "- Eleanor Scott will stand in awed sitence when he Sharples, in the Philadelphia Ledger. sees a little five-foot-nothing Capadian outdistance his throw by several yards. I have read a few war stories of bombing, where beschall pitchers curved "Christy" Mathewson look like a piker. and is losing valuable time playing in the European War bush league, when he would be able to set the "big

league" on fire. We had a cushy time while at this school. In fact, to us it was a regular

head of a match on the fuse of the vacation, and we were very sorry when bomb. To ignite the fuse, you had to one morning the adjutant ordered us rub it on the "striker," just the same to report at headquarters for fransas striking a match. The fuse was portation and rations to return to our units up the line.

Arriving at our section, the boys burn down in a second or two, while once again tendered us the glad mitt, but looked askance at us out of the corners of their eyes. They could not conceive, as they expressed it, how a man could be such a blinking idiot as a notion to burn too quickly they gen- to join the Suicide club. I was beginning to feel sorry that I had become a member of said club, and my life to me appeared doubly precious,

Now that I was a sure-enough bomber I was praying for peace and hoping that my services as such would not be required.

(Continued Next Week)

HOW THE GERMANS MAKE WAR

Salvation Army Officer Tells of what Happened to Three Americans Who Fell Into Enemy Hands,

The story told below was sent from the field in France to Commander Eva Booth of the Salvation Army mans, before it exploded, and thrown Forces in the United States. The letter was written by Adjutant R. C. Starbard who was, at the time, in a Salvation Army but just back of the firing line a but close enough, as throwing the jam-tin bomb, count the writer puts it, "to hear the rip. rip, rip of machine gons day and

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Some Shade in All Lives.

Persons who foolishly conclude that life is all sunshine and roses will when they least expect it, he rudely awakened from this pleasant dream. Each one of us has a certain work to do, certain cares and responsibilities to contend with, and if we think that the Fates are going to spare us from anything that savors of trial or anxicty a gigantic surprise is in store for

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Etiquette of Fish Feast.

In the Samoon islands, when a fish feast is held, the piece de resistance must be divided up in accordance with a rigid and unvarying eliquette. The heads are assigned to the fribal ora tors, who are of the high nobility. The flesh first behind the gills is set apart for guests a hom the host of the occasien desires to honor. The perforal fins (a particular delicacy) go to the king. The cuts across the spine just abaft the pectorals (the very parts we should think most desirable) are distributed among the common people, For the chiefs the tail and belly parts are reserved.

Red Heads Have the Advantage. Many physicians of note are respon-

sible for the assertion that the redheaded are more resistant to disease following explanation as to why than less fiery haired persons, and Sir "chapels" are found in printing offices, Arbuthnot Lane expresses the view that "a disease becomes less virulent In type when it gains entrance into the body of a red-head than when it attacks a person with hair of a more modest color."

Birds of Nebraska. Although 400 different species of

birds have their home in Nebraska, it is said that no more than 200 are to be found in any one locality.

"Chapels" in Printing Offices. Benjamin Franklin, who was himself a printer in early life, gives the He says: "A printing house is always a' chapel by the workmen, the origin of which appears to have been that printing was first carried on in England in an ancient chapel converted into a printing house, and the title has preserved by tradition." Of the reference is to Caxton's printing press, set up in one of the chapels of Westminster abbey. The father of the chapel is one of the printers, who usually presides over any meetings that may be held.