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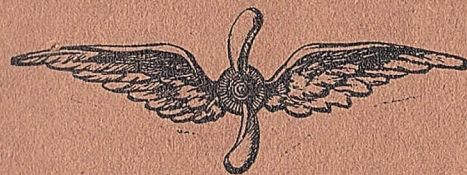
TWENTIETH COMPANY

THIRD REGIMENT

AIR SERVICE

MECHANICS

A. E. F.



JANUARY EIGHTEENTH

NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETEEN

ROMORANTIN

FRANCE

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**IN MEMORIUM**

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**CLAUDE VIVIAN MANKIN**

Born 1890

Died July 28, 1918

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**BLAIR F. THOMAS**

Born July 6, 1894

Died November 5, 1918

**DINNER**

AND

**ENTERTAINMENT**

GIVEN BY THE

**TWENTIETH COMPANY**

**JANUARY 18, 1919.**

*History of the*

## **TWENTIETH COMPANY, THIRD REGIMENT**

*Air Service Mechanics*

The Twentieth Company, Third Regiment, Air Service Mechanics, was formed April 18th, 1918, at Camp Greene, North Carolina, the designation of the organization being at that time, Twentieth Company Third Regiment Motor Mechanics, Signal Corps.

On April 17th, Captain Arthur H. Morse was assigned to the Company as Commanding Officer. 1st Lieut. Alpheus C. Bemis, then on special duty at Camp Upton, New York, and 2nd Lieut. Marion O. Dunning, then on special duty at Camp Sherman, Ohio, were assigned also on the same date. On April 25th, Captain Morse was relieved of command and attached to the company for duty, and Captain Norman A. Buckley was assigned to command. Lieut. Dunning joined the company May 7th. On May 24th, Captain Morse was relieved from duty with the company. On June 1st Lieut. Dunning was relieved and 1st Lieut. William H. Evans was assigned to the company. Lieut. Bemis joined the company June 24th.

Meantime, on June 1st, a general transfer took place in the regiment: 123 men were transferred from the company, as many new men being transferred in.

While stationed at Camp Greene the time was employed in drilling and fatigue duty with instruction in military courtesy, First Aid and the Courts-Martial Manual. Incidentally there was a considerable amount of fatigue at the Camp, particularly as regards the roadways, was much improved by the Motor Mechanics.

On June 30th the company left Camp Greene for overseas duty and, after an uneventful trip and short stay at Camp Upton, sailed from Hoboken on July 9th, on the U. S. Orizaba, a new and very comfortable ship. In the same convoy were four other ships, among the largest afloat, namely, the Agamemnon, the Mount Vernon, the America, and the La France. Early one morning enroute a deck gun of the Orizaba was accidentally discharged, in the general direction of the La France. At another time, on an inky black night, the Agamemnon collided with and sank the Instructor, a small freighter bound for America. The Agamemnon succeeded in picking up a part of the crew but several lives were lost on the Instructor. Aside from these incidents the trip across was quiet and beautiful.

After a trip of nine days the company disembarked at Brest on July 18th, that is, it disembarked technically. As a matter of unforgettable fact it, with the 13th Co., 3rd Regt., A. S. M., unloaded the ship, working in shifts night and day until the morning of July 20th, at which time it moved out for the "rest camp" (sic!) at Pontanezen Barracks. Here it remained - doing fatigue while it rested - for eight days, setting out in the early morning of July 28th for Air Service Production Center No. 2, at Romorantin, France.

On the afternoon of the same day Sergeant First Class Claude V. Mankin of Beverly, West Virginia, the First Sergeant, while on duty as a Special Guard on the troop train was instantly killed by a low bridge. In this unfortunate accident the company lost an excellent soldier, well beloved by his comrades. He was buried two days later in the U. S. Military Cemetery at A. S. P. C. No. 2.

Sergeant Clark A. Taylor was detailed as acting First Sergeant of the death of Sergeant Mankin and remained on duty as such until August 9th, on

which date Sergeant Russell E. Mullen was transferred into the company, being promoted to Sergeant First Class and appointed First Sergeant the same date.

On reaching A. S. P. C. No. 2 the company got settled and a considerable number of the men reported for duty in the airplane assembly plants in less than 24 hours after arriving. The activities of the company from this time on were radically different from those it had previously known. At A. S. P. C. No. 2 it was a matter of work, work, work, night and day, - in overalls. The greater part of the members of the company were engaged in work on airplane engines, the work day being 10 hours. There was no longer much time for formations of any sort, but a matter rather of each detail or individual reporting at the appointed place at the appointed time.

Immediately after the arrival of the company Lieut. Bemis was detailed for duty at the A. S. P. C. No. 2 plants and on August 6th Lieut. Evans was ordered on Detached Service at 2nd Air Depot, Chaumont, France.

During the epidemic of influenza in October and November, when sometimes as many as thirty-five men were on the sick report, Private First Class Blair F. Thomas, of Milo, Maine, unfortunately contracted pneumonia as a result of influenza and died in Camp Hospital No. 37, on November 5th, 1918, after an illness of somewhat over two weeks. He was an excellent soldier and his loss was keenly felt. He was buried with full military honors in U. S. Military Cemetery at A. S. P. C. No. 2 on November 6th.

Beyond this short history - almost without incident - of the Twentieth Company there is little to say, but it is hoped that it has done its full duty.

# M E N U



Cream of Celery Soups

Roast Turkey Cold Boiled Ham

Mushroom Dressing Green Peas

Mashed Potatoes with Giblet Dressing

Bread Butter

Lobster Salad Celery

Mince Pie Apple Pie

Cheese

Plum Pudding with Brandy Sauce

Crushed Fruit with Cream

Mixed Nuts

Cigars Cigarettes

Cocoa

Punch

# P r o g r a m m e

Toastmaster - *Paul J. Henderson*

Address *Capt. N. A. Buckley*

Company History *Harry L. Dalton*

Selections by Quartette  
{ *Ulm - Jackson*  
| *Abrens - Meyers*

Dramatic Recitation *Samuel Neil*

Duet *Perricone and Nazzareno*

Company Elections

Vaudeville Sketch *Christie and Martin*

Address *Mr. Burcaw*

Selections by Quartette  
{ *Stephans - Grose*  
| *Ritz - Christie*

Solo - "Madelan" *Joseph Morton*

Vaudeville Sketch *Sharp and Devore*

Toasts and Responses

Music by Orchestra

## Roster of the Company

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First Sergeant Mullen