

Batteries are staging a minstrel show in the Y. M. C. A. Hut for the benefit of the boys in the 130 F. H. Having had a spell of 9 days of pleasure and amusement I didn't care much about going down.

I remember two-years ago to milk quite well. Close of contest at J. W.'s.

We have our mess-hall decorated very attractively with evergreen, wild red cherries, and mistletoe and will also have the Regt. Colours among the decorations to-morrow. There is certainly fine material in the two flags, value \$800.

Am going to send you and J. W. each a small cigar box filled with these decorations to-morrow. The mistletoe was gathered on that undesirable soil which layed between the French and German Front-line Trenches, better known as "No-Man's-Land" near Haudemont, 15 miles south east from "Battle-ton" Verdun.

To-morrow, (Christmas) is my day on duty and I will have the honor of serving Champagne galore, a big 14 lb. turkey costing \$1.01 per lb., or practically a \$15.00 bird, and all the usual Christmas dishes.

Our officers and boys from this little Camp had a wild-boar drive last Sunday but returned without capturing any of the many young pigs which are so plentiful here in