

PERSHING ADDRESSES 42D.

Wishes Rainbow Boys Good Luck in Their Homecoming.

COBLENZ, March 16, (Associated Press.)—General Pershing said good-bye to the boys of the 42d Division today. In a farewell address to the troops of the Rainbow unit, who are preparing to start for home the first week in April, the American Commander in Chief wished them all good luck in the peaceful occupations into which they would go on the other side of the Atlantic.

The inspection and review of the division took place in a great field near Remagenon, on the west bank of the Rhine. General Pershing spoke to more than 20,000 after the Rainbow Division had passed the reviewing stand in massed formation. From the heights across the river hundreds of German civilians assembled and watched the review through field glasses. General Pershing spoke from the rear end of a wagon, with the soldiers gathered about him.

Before his address the Commander in Chief presented one Congressional Medal of Honor, two Distinguished Service Medals, and forty-six Distinguished Service Crosses to officers and men of the division. The Medal of Honor was pinned by General Pershing on Corporal Sidney Manning of the 167th Infantry for leading his platoon during an attack on the Ourcq after its commanders had fallen. Despite wounds he had suffered, Manning led the men forward and gained and held an important position in the face of terrific enemy fire. All but seven members of the platoon were killed or wounded. Manning himself was wounded nine times in this attack. When the United States entered the war Manning was a farmer boy near Brewton, Ala.

The Distinguished Service Medals went to Brig. Gen. Douglas MacArthur and Colonel William Hughes, Jr.

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