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No Frostbites

Former Gotham Taylor, Now Corporal in Army Given Credit for Timely Invention

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With the 30th Division, U. S. Third Army, Jan. 18 — (Delayed)
 —(P)—The Delancey street ingenuity of a New Yorker has licked the problem of frostbitten feet among doughboys of the 120th Infantry Regiment.

The solution is a simple creation fashioned from salvaged blankets by Cpl. Morris Pinter, who operated a tailor shop with his brother on New York's Delancey street before he entered the Army.

He fashioned foxhole footgear he calls "booties" from three thicknesses of blanket which are worn without shoes inside a soldier's arctics.

Actually the idea of using the old blankets to warm cold feet originated with Col. Branner Purdue of Fayetteville, Ark., who passed the suggestion along to his G-4, Maj. John Eberhardt of San Antonio, Tex, who in turn relayed it to Pinter, the regimental tailor.

Resemble Moccasin
 Pinter got out his needle and thread and came up with snug fitting booties. The bottoms are cut separately and three thicknesses sewed together in the shape of a regular shoe sole, then stitched to the tops, which also are three thicknesses and come halfway to the knee. The finished product looks like an oversized moccasin.

A salvage and repair outfit corralled enough sewing machines to make the booties for the entire regiment. They are issued in three sizes—small, medium and large—and the men swear by them.

"We haven't had a single case of frostbite since we started using them," the colonel said. "They don't do for long marches, but the men put them on just before going into an attack. They carry them underneath their battle-jackets, across their bellies so they will be warm when they put them on."

Great Invention

Praise for the booties is falling on Pinter thicker than advertising testimonials. Here are some samples:

Warrant Officer A. L. Hooper, Reidsville, N. C.—"They are the greatest foot-warming article invented since the guy who thought up putting hot bricks in a bed."

Sgt. William Hare, Chicago—"My feet never get cold in Pinter's booties."

Pfc. John S. Evans, Fayetteville, Ohio—"The booties designed by Pinter kept my feet warm and dry even under the worst conditions."

Pfc. James L. Diamond, Charleston, S. C.—"I always had trouble keeping my feet warm—until I started wearing Pinter's booties."

Q's and A's

Q—Where do we get natural cryolite, used in refining aluminum ore?

A—From an open pit mine near Ivigtut, Greenland. Income of miners there has exceeded that of the Danish governor.

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Q—What is Kluchevskaya?

A—One of the world's largest volcanoes, and active. It's 16,130 feet high, located on the Kamchatka Peninsula northeast of Japan.

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Q—Is there any gold in them thar New Guinea hills?

A—In prewar years more than

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