

## LINE CITY SOLDIER RETURNED FROM OVERSEAS TO HIS OLD EMPLOYMENT

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Yesterday there returned from overseas one of the contingent from Santa Cruz county, which went to Camp Funston on the second of October, 1917, [Sergeant Raymond L. Haines](#), Company A, 356<sup>th</sup> Infantry, 89<sup>th</sup> Division.

Before being taken into the service of his country Sergeant Haines was in the service of the Southern Pacific Company, in the freight depot at Nogales, to which employment he returns at this time, and will go to work again after a short spell of visiting among his many friends and admirers, who are more than pleased to see him return well and hearty, rich in experience and having done his full duty.

At Camp Funston young Haines was assigned to Company A, 356<sup>th</sup> Infantry, and after some eight months he went overseas with the command, being at that time a duty sergeant, but later he became first sergeant of the company, and his last service with the regiment was in command of a platoon, acting as a second lieutenant, the regiment being short of officers and non-coms having to serve instead.

June 4<sup>th</sup> the regiment sailed from New York, and in due time it landed in France, where it went through the usual preliminary training. From August 4 to October 24 Sergeant Haines was on the front line, with the regiment, participating in all the operations of the 89<sup>th</sup> division in the St. Mihiel drive and in the Argonne forest. He saw a deal of severe fighting, and was in the thick of it.

October 24<sup>th</sup> Sergeant Haines was detached from the regiment and sent to an officers training camp, where he had just completed the course of instruction, and was due to be appointed second lieutenant when declaration of the armistice and War Department orders shut off further promotions. Instead of returning to the regiment he was returned to the United States and mustered out from the service. The 89<sup>th</sup> Division is in Germany.

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