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**Letters From
The Front**

Mrs. L. E. Ferguson has received the following letter from her son

**INDIANA HAS FIRST MUNICIPAL COAL MINE;
EVANSVILLE MAYOR PUTS UP OWN FORTUNE**



MAYOR
BENJAMIN
BOSSE



WALTER
KORFF

The first municipal coal mine in the United States will supply Evansville, Ind., citizens this winter.

Mayor Benjamin Bosse is establishing the mine privately with his own money and will sell it to the city on easy terms when it is in operation.

Mayor Bosse failed in his attempt to sell coal at cost last winter

because he could get only non-union coal at moderate prices, and the unions therefore opposed the venture.

Walter Korff, who has spent all his life in the coal business has been chosen to install and manage the city mine.

The city will sell coal wholesale and retail, at cost plus a small profit.

George:

U. S. S. Pittsburg,
July 22, 1917.

Dear Mother and Parents:

Received your letter, mailed by you on the 9th of June, today, and sure was glad to hear from you. Am glad all are well at home. I am well and doing fine. Did not hear about Frank dying. What did he die from? Well, I would like to tell you where I am but it cannot be done at present.

Will write to you at every opportunity, and you write to me whether you hear from me or not, as I may not be able to write to you for a long period at a time. Now be sure and tell father to write to me, and mother too, as I am glad, over glad, to hear

from them at all times. And tell mother that I will send her a picture by next mail.

I suppose a lot of people have left La Grande. Got a letter from Uncle the other day and he is still working at Vallejo. Have not heard from Gert, or the Decious for a long time—since I left The Dalles. Have you heard from the folks in the Dalles lately?

Well, I guess this is about all I can say for this time so I will close hoping to hear from Mother, Father and all soon, I am your son and brother, George.

P. S. When you write to me address my mail to G. A. Ferguson,

U. S. S. Pittsburg,
c-o Postmaster, New York City, N. Y.

P. S. Father, I am starting an allotment this month of \$15 and it will be sent to you monthly and you do with it as you think best. You will get the first payment about the last of September or first of October.

People Speak Well of Chamberlain's Tablets.

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Lost Two Toes

Pendleton, Ore., Sept. 7—(Special)—Virgil Willaby, a farmer who lives near Athena, went hunting and while fooling with his shotgun shot off two of his toes. He was a member of the Umatilla county drafted squad.

Imbler News Notes

Imbler, Ore., Sept. 5—(Special)—Miss Mary Ruckman has returned to Seattle to resume her school work.

Robert Loyd and family expect to leave about Friday for Portland where they will spend the winter.

Imbler was well represented in La Grande Saturday evening when the Hospital Unit passed through on their way to New York. They were not forgotten by the Imbler mothers and

sweethearts for they were there with well laden baskets.

The Red Cross ladies met at the home of Mrs. Clay Fox for an afternoon tea. Some of the ladies intentionally made a mistake and took their work along. A very delicious luncheon was served by the hostess together with Mrs. L. Holder, Mrs. Ed Dennison, Mrs. C. S. Williams, Mrs. Chas. Bingham and Mrs. Hurley. \$5.05 was taken in to go to the Red Cross fund.

Miss Vivian Wiggins spent the week in Elgin visiting relatives and friends.

Bud Young returned a few days ago from a trip to Shoshone Falls.

Miss Elva Conklin left Saturday for Flora where she will again teach a term of school.

Mrs. Wm. Wiggins returned Saturday from Durkee, Ore., where she had been visiting for ten days with her sisters, Mrs. T. F. Chandler and Mrs. J. T. Sturgill.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Marlin returned to Imbler Wednesday from La Grande. Tom has spent the summer in the harvest fields near Walla Walla while Mrs. Marlin has been visiting her brother Lee Childers.

Miss Delta Stringham was taken to La Grande a few days ago and had her tonsils removed.

A carload of coal was received this week to be used by the school this winter.

The cold storage puts on a different appearance since it now has several brick flues running from the basement to the roof. The management will take a different method of keeping the temperature to a certain degree. They have always used oil stoves which has proven a nuisance.

Monday, Sept. 10 will find the opening of another school year. Everything is in readiness to open the door at eight o'clock sharp and every convenience has been acquired to make this year a success as has been in former years. Effie Snider will teach the first and second grade, Edna Snider the third and fourth, Miss Williams of Union the fifth and sixth, Miss Cordery the seventh and eighth, and Mr. Hurley will teach the ninth and tenth grades. He also holds the principalship while Mrs. Hurley will teach the 11th and 12th grades.

Imbler holds a place among the best schools in Union County and has done excellent work in the past, but we still are endeavoring to even better that. Imbler is justly proud of her schools and if the teachers, the parents and the school board will pull to-

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gether, there is no doubt in our minds but that our school will be a success this year.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Walker visited in La Grande Tuesday.

LEGAL NOTICES

Notice of Meeting of Board of Equalization

Notice is hereby given that the County Board of Equalization for Union County, Oregon, will convene at the court house, La Grande, on Mon-

day, September 10, 1917, and publicly examine the assessment roll, correct all errors in valuation, descriptions or qualities of land, lots or other property, as assessed by the county assessor, and it shall be the duty of all persons interested to appear at the time and place given.

All persons having grievance regarding the 1917 assessment may appear before such board and present their affidavits containing grounds for complaint. All such affidavits must be presented during the first 15 days of the meeting of the board.

U. G. COUCH,
Assessor for Union County.
Adv.—8-20 to 9-11.

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