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Letters From Malheur County Boys Now Fighting In France

Teaching "rookies" the intricacies of army life and its "lingo" is lots of spot, says S. M. Boucher, who was Principal of the High School last year in the following letter:

Dear Douglass: Among the many letters I should write which in all would keep D. A. H.'s typewriting students busy for many days, is one to you. Sure enjoyed your last letter. Was glad to hear all the school news. Would sure like to be there for a while to see every one. I often think of old "Tario" high and my school teaching days on the "western front." I have two reminders of it with me all the time; one the watch and the other the sweater. They say a man's gun is his best friend but so far I have used the other two more. They are both dandies. However from the way things are looking now don't think it will be long before I will have more use for my gun. All reports and actions point to the 18th as the date of our leaving here for Eng. via Camp Meade. At present the entire Camp, 8th Division is under quarantine for Spanish "End-flew-end ways." The papers report 53 cases in the hospital but I asked one of the Medic Corps about it this morning and he said he didn't think there was a single case in camp. Anyhow, I don't think that would stop the entire division from moving. Our company commander got an order yesterday requesting him to turn a list of the names of his men who are in the hospital and won't be able to accompany us.

I just got a letter from Tommy saying he had been in the hospital two weeks with a light case of Spanish In. but is about over it now. Will send you his letter. Part of it may be Greek to you but I have been laughing ever since I read it.

At present I am on a detail in the Recruit Camp helping to administer a course of intensive training to 2500 "Rookies" that we received from Camp Lewis the 1st of the month. You know Rookies always remind me of "Cooties". They stick around about as close and are about as big a nuisance. Of all the questions they sure can ask them. We have given them two months training in the last two weeks, and by Monday expect to send them over to the other regiments to finish them up to war strength. The last three days I have been helping coach on the rifle range. When these birds get a loaded gun in their hands the safest place for a man is to be in up on "Dead Ox Flat" or in a 100 ft. dugout. Sure are wild.

One fellow came in my tent this evening and said he wanted to ask me some questions on guard duty, that the terms used were so misleading he couldn't understand them. He says: "They talk about 'mounting guard' but never see them mount anything." "Then they talk about 'walking post' but they don't walk anything. Then they talk about 'turning out the guard' but they seem to come out on their own accord. Ha! ha!"

You spoke of Brainerds work. Don't know anything about it unless he questions "conscientious objectors." As for that, he could do more good with a bayonet. They should be treated like the old negro said. He said Uncle Sam wasn't going to make anybody fight. All he did was to take you where the fighting was and you could use your own judgment.

Would like to see the boys play football this fall. Suppose "Newt" Zähler is on deck most of the time. Would like to over the top with a regiment that had as much nerve and determination as he has.

Now for a little suggestion in regard to Tommy. If the H. S. students would take their fifteen minutes some morning and each write him a little note, would tickle him most to death.

An evening you a picture I found in the Red Cross Magazine of our sang-west s. Stanford J. Stadium last summer. Also a very poor of myself with a very inappropriate back ground.

Tell Harj Gentry Boucher is missing his letter. Suppose he is in school this fall.

Know you must of felt highly honored while you were acting as Stearns the second. Ha! ha!

Well must begin to close this and write "the" other letter. Will let you know what happens to me within the next few weeks. If I succeed in getting over will let you know upon landing.

Give my regards to the H.S. teachers and pupils. Wessie, Adams and other friends. Tell Hugh Allen remember "The Kiches of Lava."

With kindest regards to you, Harj Gentry and Mrs. Douglass, I remain
Cpl. S. M. BOUCHER
Co. I, 42nd Inf.

In the following letter M. D. Thomas, who last year was a member of the High School faculty tells his experiences with the Spanish Flu at the Great Lakes training station. The letter was written to Superintendent H. R. Douglass. Mr. Thomas says:

"Only a note to tell you that I received the High School announcement and was glad to get it. I read it from back to back.

I suppose you are wondering at the heading of this letter: "Main Hospital." Well I am a victim of Spanish Influenza and am confined to the main hospital. When I was taken sick the doctors that I was going to develop pneumonia. Had a fever of 104 and believe me, I was a sick baby for a while. I have been sick now three weeks but am considered a convalescent. The dickens of it is I have about lost my voice. It is all that I can do to speak above a whisper. However the doctor says I'll be O K in

a short time. I have been up and around for six days.

The influenza was pretty bad here. Believe me, keep away from it if you have to fight. There were four out of 15 died in our ward. Some of the wards lost two-thirds and some one half. So you see, sometimes the papers do not tell all.

The naval station has been quarantined for three weeks and bids fair to be quarantined four more. There is so much sickness in Chicago that the men in charge say "no liberty" and no liberty it is. I should worry until I get out, which I hope will be in a few days.

I was told yesterday that I was to be sent to the Norfolk, Va. Radio school. The school here is to be broken up and all the men sent to other stations. I doubt it, for this is said to be the best equipped station in the country.

I guess you are having big times in the O. H. S. I would like to be there but guess Uncle Sam would rather have me here. I believe I would like to hang my lip over a "Honey Dew" or a ripe prune, delicious apple or some other Eastern Oregon products.

I hope your school will be a "go getter." Tell the students hello and to write me for you know how a "sick

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TOMMY

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City Recorder

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