his Two Horses

to hold my two-

that I love?

The author of this poem, Will-iam H. Parr, F. A., U. S. R., ery plugs, As I am just a common soldier 463d Aero Squadron, wrote with man: regard to this poem: The idea We've fought and starved to of the poem came to me while gether side by side-I'd like to take them with me serving in the Field Artillery with the 1st Canadian Division. if I can. I once heard one of my drivers know my saddle black is pretty express wish that he would like mean. to take his horses along with And kicks and bites at everyhim if he were to 'go west'. The same shell killed the driver one but me; Still when I'm with him he is and both horses, and as I am a always good-Montana man, and know how a Just let me bring him up for real man comes to love a real You to see. horse, I had him buried with a horse upon each side of him, and He'd be ill treated if I left him they now lie sleeping up in the here, Ypres salient," Be kicked and cursed and starved until he died. O Lord! To Thee I want to make Please can't I ride him through my prayer; the golden streets, My soul is troubled sore from The gentleold brown off-horse day to day. at his side? I've never had the chance to They've carried me on many a know Thee, Lordweary ride, Nobody ever taught me how They've been my pals my, to pray. everlasting joy; So if my prayer is not as it should I've nursed them both when be. they were sick. Is not as padre prays on church And kept their harness burnished parade, like a toy; Please pardon me; forgive what I've gone with them into the I've forgot, jaws of death, For at Thy feet my naked soul Gunners and drivers killed on is laid. every trip: If in the roster kept by Thee Their panting hims have dripabove, ped with mud and sweat-My name is next to cease this My horses needed neither spurs life fatigue And I must fall in with my fallen nor whip. O Lord, if heaven has no stable pals, room A clean life's page behind I With greatest reverence this want to leave. I'd like to tell-Grant that I die where bursting And if the fiery regions have sharpnel sings. some stalls. My team upon a gallop toward Then let me ride my horses the fee, down in hell! And when my soul at last re-And when the grand, great ports to Thee final roll call comes. Please let me take my horses To be the first upon parade where I go. we'll try; If it is true what our old padre | O Lord of all, only prayerзауз, That there are horses in the To take my horses with me when I die.-Ladies' Home land above. Are there not some spare stalls Journal.

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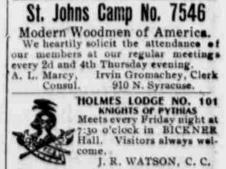
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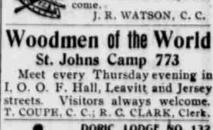
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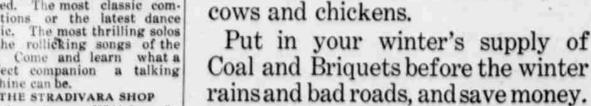
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