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"SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE"

The following is a letter written by Williard Carson to Sheriff Bert Geer, and which the latter kindly handed us.

"Somewhere in France"
May 24th, 1918.

Dear Friend Bert: -
I received that little book which you had the folks send me, and want to thank you very much for thinking of me. It certainly makes a person feel fine to know that friends away back home, have time to think of you.

Well life here is the same old story over and over again, much work and guard duty. There is not much excitement, only an air raid every once in a while. Nearly every clear morning a boche photo machine comes over and takes a few snap shots. Every time one comes over we all give them a good pose. I think that the Kaiser will have my photos hung up in his study.

I certainly am glad to know that Toledo has begun to boom again. Its nearly time for it to come out of its slumber.

I visited the birth place and home of Jeanne D'Arc, the other day. It certainly is interesting to see and study it, because you know it is true, and not just rumors spread around by some thoughtless person. The French people admire and worship her as much as the American people do Washington, Lincoln and all of our own great men.

I had my first ride in an air plane last week, and it sure is great dope. The earth looks just like a huge flower garden. The many clumps of wood and the plowed fields are the most beautiful. The roads look like chalk lines and you can't tell a hill from a valley. The sensation is just like riding in a launch over choppy waves. I had a funny feeling in my stomach when we started to come down. After the machine gets up pretty high you can't notice the speed, and you don't realize that you are going about one hundred miles per hour.

Well I will close, hoping to hear from you soon.

I remain, your friend,
"Kit."

GETTING AFTER SLACKERS

Federal authorities are getting ready to institute a merciless campaign to run down and punish a new form of draft slacker.

This new slacker is the draft registrant who was granted deferred classification, at the time of his registration, but whose status since has so changed that he no longer is entitled to exemption, yet who remains silent about this change in the hope it will be overlooked.

There are estimated to be hundreds of such cases in Oregon, and thousands of them in the United States. Suspicion particularly has been directed against a great many of the deferred classifications granted for industrial reasons.

It now appears that the status of many of these men is not the same as when they were granted deferred classification. Yet they have failed to notify their Local Boards and continue to enjoy exemption from military service. In some cases, also, the original classification was not justified.

Many cases where deferred classification was granted for dependency also have changed in status but the registrant has not notified his local board.

With the time at hand when the need for manpower is so urgent that every available man must either "work or fight," and when the lower classifications are to be revised in order to make more men available for Class 1, this form of evading military service will not be tolerated.

The draft regulations are very plain and blunt in prescribing the penalty for failure on the part of a man granted deferred classification to notify his local board at once if his status is changed:

"Every registrant shall, within five days after the happening hereof, report to his local board any fact which might change or affect his classification," says Section 116 of the Regulations.

"Failure to report change of his status as herein required, or making a false report thereof, is

a misdemeanor punishable by one year's imprisonment."

The campaign to run down these draft slackers will be started very soon, and it will be a rigorous campaign. Men guilty of evading military service by failure to report when they should be re-classified, need look for no mercy.

Every patriotic registrant who has been granted deferred classification, but whose status has changed so that he is no longer entitled to that classification, will report the change immediately to his local board," said Captain John E. Cullison, in charge of the execution of the draft law in the office of the Adjutant General.

"Those who have not the patriotism to report voluntarily will gain nothing by it. They will be found out and not only re-classified, but will be subject to severe punishment.

"If a man is in doubt as to change of status, he should see his local board about it without delay."

MARRIED

A very pretty wedding occurred in Portland last Saturday evening in the ballroom of the Multnomah Hotel at 9:00 o'clock, when Miss Blanch Jeffreys of Portland was united in marriage with Mr. Carl P. Roberts of Simms, Montana.

There were 200 guests and friends and relatives of the bride and groom. Dr. T. M. Minard performed the ceremony, Mr. Stanley Dollar of Oakland, Calif. was best man and Mrs. Dollar was matron of honor. Little Clover Borquest was flower girl Miss Metta Brown sang, "Because," and Miss Mary Cauthorn, cousin of the bride, played the wedding march. Mrs. T. P. Fish, aunt of the bride, gave her away. The groom was attired in conventional black. The bride's dress was cream satin trimmed in beautiful hand lace, and her veil was held in place by a string of pearls. She carried a shower bouquet of sweet peas and roses. Miss Janette Miller of Portland caught the bride's bouquet. Mrs. Stanley Dollar wore a pale blue silk dress and a pink picture hat. She carried a bouquet of pink and blue flowers. After the ceremony congratulations were received and then the guests danced until midnight.

The groom is a prominent stock and grain man of Montana, and the bride is a well known and popular teacher of the Willamette valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Roberts are spending a few days at Newport and will later visit Toledo and then Corvallis where a number of functions are planned. They expect to return to their home in Montana about the 1st of July. Contributed.

NEWPORT MAN OFFERS CODE IN WASHINGTON

Washington, June 18.—Dr. W. M. Berry of Newport is in the city to lay before the various government departments a code or deciphering method developed by him. He has been invited to explain this system, and its merits will be thoroughly investigated.—Portland, Evening Telegram.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for their sympathy and aid in our time of grief at the loss of our dear Mother, and also do we wish to express our appreciation of all the beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. Anna Lakensgaard, Mrs. Sophia Jacobson, Mrs. Mina Thompson, Sondre Romtvedt, Mrs. Hilda Magill, Alvild, Valborg, Frithjof, and Borgny Romtvedt.

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The County Court of Lincoln County, Oregon, will receive bids for the painting of the steel bridge at the Siletz Agency. All bids must be filed with the County Clerk, on or before Wednesday, July 3d, 1918.

R. R. Miller,
County Judge
W-S-S

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