

**SOLDIER LETTERS**

**Whipple Getting Fat Over There**  
Somewhere in France,  
April 16, 1918.

Dear Mother:  
I received two letters from you last Saturday. I have just finished my supper and washed my dishes. I am getting fatter every day. The britches that I wore in the states were just right for me, and now they are about 3 inches too small around the waist.

We have had some rainy weather here the last week. But it looks as though it might clear up now. I guess spring is here, the flowers are blooming and the fruit trees are nearly all in bloom.

I was into a town last Sunday and bought some souvenirs to bring home. I also had my picture taken. But have not got them as yet. Will send some home when I get them. I am sending Peggy a handkerchief in this letter that I bought. I have a

few more things but don't want to take a chance of sending them over, so will bring them when I come back. I have a pair of wooden shoes also for Peggy. Nearly all the people over here wear them. They look funny as the devil. I saw a man with a pair on and they must have been 18 inches long. You can hear them coming for a mile away.

Well it is getting nearly time for tape and I will have to make my bed yet tonight so will ring off here.

With lots of love to all.

Your loving son,

ELMER WHIPPLE

**Parents Hear From Soldier Son**

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Christy, of Selma, Ore., received a letter from their son, Sergeant Fred L. Christy, signal corps, stating that his trip overseas was an uneventful one and that he has arrived in excellent condition.

Sergeant Christy was originally detained at Camp Lewis, Wash., but was transferred to Camp Vall, N. J., in September last, where he has been stationed prior to the date of

sailing for France.

He states that he is in perfect physical condition and altogether alive.

Sergeant Christy is an enlisted man, having left this vicinity approximately a year ago.

"Over Here",  
April 9, 1918.

Dear Mother:

Yours of March 6th was just handed to me, so I have one here from you unanswered I will get right on the job. I have just returned from a seven day's trip. Was clear across the country and had a dandy trip, although at times things looked pretty punk. When on these trips we have to pay our own expenses and are reimbursed when we return. Well here is where the "punk" part comes in. There were three of us boys and we went broke, and with the little change we all had we bought six cans of beans and one can of jam at a U. S. army store, and we got our bread along the road. We had to make 500 miles in two days, so we didn't take time to stop at camps to eat, but beat it. The cars were small so we couldn't make much speed and had no time to loose. We slept in the cars as we drove early and late and ate bread and beans. Nevertheless we had a dandy trip. Also got to see some of the fire works and hear the big Berthas bark. We stood on the point of a hill and looked across the land of the Huns for quite a while. It was my first trip up so close, so that added a few thrills to the trip.

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scrap. It is almost unbelievable to see how the boys take their work. And the morale could not be better. You can take it from me that things over here will have a different tone from anything that has been before. I didn't know any of the names mentioned in the Journal clipping that you sent. I have met a number of boys from around home. Not so many that I personally knew, although about two weeks ago I ran into about a dozen old friends from Portland. Kids that I mixed with there. Perley Herbig was there. I think you remember Perley. He used to live in Grants Pass several years ago.

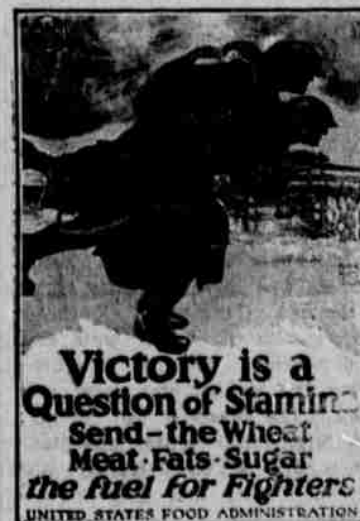
Ione sent me a package in three parts. The first one was here when we got back last night. It sure came in good as I got back too late for supper, and the package was full of cup cakes. Now mother as for you sending me anything I would rather you would get something for yourself, but if you do send me anything I think some decorated strawberries will be fine and I always like candy or cake like you used to make. You must remember a package must be packed well in tin or a wooden box as they are badly wrecked sometimes. The package just received was from Ione and was packed in a tin box, but the end burst and some "gray" got a taste of her good cooking.

You can bet your life I am coming home some day. I know there is not a woman in France that can keep me here. I am confident that the Huns will never get this far. I will sure be glad to get the wash rags little Donna is making for me. I could use one right now.

Now mother take good care of yourself. I want you to be there when I get home. I wish you would send me a copy of the Home Tie. I want to see what it is like. On your last letter the address was mixed with the other two addresses. I am going to send my address through the company this time as I think that is the surest at present. If ever you are in doubt about my address just use this one. If I am not there it will be forwarded without delay. Well mother I will bring this to a close. I suppose it will be clipped up when you get it, but I hope not. You can give Rodney Calvert my best regards and give Donna a kiss for me. With lots of love, I am always yours.

DYKE (Pvt. W. J. Stevenson)  
Co. F 18th Eng. Ry.  
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