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BURNS BOY WRITES FROM FRONT IN FRANCE

Dudley Campbell Driving Truck Which Supplies Ammunition To Big Guns. Witnesses Air Fights And Experiences Thrills

July 18, 1918

Dear Mother: I will drop you a few lines to let you know I am all O. K. I haven't had time to write since we moved, as we have been pretty busy. We are up on the front now and it is beginning to look like war.

You would hardly know that you were near the line though, but for the big guns at night begin to shoot, and is one continuous roar.

The air seems at times almost alive with airplanes. To witness an air fight is great, we see one every little while up here.

We are at present in a small village, that the Huns once had control of. The country is pretty fertile, as there is lots of grain grown up here. Clear up to the trenches.

The woods seem alive with troops of all kinds.

We do all of our driving mostly at night. We haul ammunition most every night to the big guns, and it is pretty risky at times as the Huns try to shell all the roads.

We could see an air battle the other night, and it was sure great to look at. The sky was all lit up and the machine guns were sure making it hot for them.

It is raining tonight, it rains lots up here but it don't last long. We are sleeping out in our pup tents. We sleep mostly in the day time.

I will close for this time as this is about all I can think of.

I have only received two letters since I have been over here. Did you receive the handkerchieves I sent you and Ruby?

With love to all,
DUDLEY CAMPBELL,
185 Supply C. 2 N. D. B. N.

August 23, 1918.

Dear Sister Ruby: I received your letters and they were all in a bunch. We have been moving so much lately that I haven't had time to write.

In fact the Allies have been pushing the Germans back so rapidly that it keeps us busy moving and hauling shells. We are up here now where you can see the real horrors of war. In places you can see whole forests, towns and grain fields cut down by fire.

We are finding all kinds of guns and material that the Huns left behind in their retreat.

The Huns are sure getting the worst of it now and it don't look like the war will last long now.

I have been sick with a very sore throat for about a week, but I am getting able to eat and drive my truck now. I guess you have fun with the old Ford. I wish I was back to hay and catch some of those fish.

The weather has been fine here only it has been raining quite a bit. I have been sleeping in my truck. We do most of our driving at night, everything has to be under cover. Airplanes are circling everywhere in the skies, and we often see a fight in the air. Most all the boys have a Roche rifle or helmet or something. We can get lots of practice now as we can find all kinds of ammunition.

Well, news is scarce so I will close for this time. With love to all,
Dudley.

ANNUAL ELECTION OF RED CROSS OFFICERS

Secretary Fnebe Geary of Harney County Chapter, American Red Cross, asks The Times-Herald to announce the annual meeting and election of officers of the Chapter which will be held on Wednesday, October 23. This is an important meeting and one which should be attended by every individual interested in the Red Cross work. This Chapter has been doing a big lot of work during the past year and it should have the active support and help of every individual in the county. Be sure to attend this meeting and show your good wishes and interest.

It looks as if the world be made safe for democracy. But autocracy had better be looking for a good safe place to hide in.

ASKS RED CROSS FOR 5000 TONS OF CLOTHING.

Dr. Griffith, chairman of the Harney County Chapter of the American Red Cross, has received information that Herbert Hoover has asked the Red Cross for 5000 tons of worn clothing for Belgian relief and this Chapter's quota is one and a half tons. Sept. 23 to 30 has been designated as the week in which this clothing is to be gathered and it may be forwarded either to the Chapter at Burns or turned in to any of the Auxiliaries.

Small pieces may be turned in for patching or making of garments for infants, all that is required that they be clean. There are a few restrictions and conditions in connection that will be given in our next issue as this has come too late for full particulars this issue.

MOTHERS WIVES AND SISTERS

The mothers, wives, sisters and children of all men in their country's service, whether drafted or volunteer, are requested to march in the parade on Mother's Day, Sept. 21.

After the exercises on the street are over the Mothers and wives will be entertained at supper at the Masonic Hall and afterward at the picture show.

The Day will be finished with a big Red Cross Dance at Tonawama.

MANY NEW SOLDIERS NOW

Registrar Wm. Farre and Registrar W. Y. King registered 88 and 53 respectively Thursday for army duty under the new law taking from 18 to 21 and 32 to 45 years old boys and men. Chief Clerk Randall of the Local Board had registered some 60 on that day and previous so Burns will have about 200 men to offer to Uncle Sam for army duty.

THE CHALLENGE OF TODAY

The following couldn't happen; but try to imagine it.

Suppose the distressing elements of war could be eliminated. The elements that would remain would make war an inconceivable blessing.

Eliminate the pain of the wounded, the helplessness of the mutilated, the grief of the bereaved, the physical discomfort of the campaigner, and the sentimental regrets caused by the destruction of ancient landmarks. Everything else is clear again.

For those of us who are not fighting there are more jobs than we can handle. Whatever we have in our makeup we can capitalize.

Can you add up figures? Very well; be an accountant—we need you. Never kept books, did you say? That doesn't matter—we'll teach you.

Can you draw straight lines, or make circles with a compass? All right—be a draftsman. Never studied trigonometry or physics? Oh, make a stab at it—we'll help you learn.

Can you run simple machinery? Inexperienced? You have hands and eyes, haven't you?

This is the attitude of the wartime employer. It is the only one he can take if he wants to get work done.

Never was an epoch so crowded with opportunity. It teems with inspiration. All that we are, all that we can do, all the time we have is needed. The sorriest attempt we can make at any kind of a job is acceptable, if it represents honest effort. Every chance is given us to qualify at something better than what we are doing. There are no nonentities—we are all personalities.

It is despondency that leads to suicide—the depressing monotony of a humdrum life. Fear of danger does not point to the open gas-jet or the laudanum-bottle. It is the misery of existence with prospects, the agonizing sameness of the workday grind.

The treadmill will be out of fashion while the war lasts. Will it return when the fighting men come back to compete for jobs in civil life? It need not. It must not.

Here is a chance for some super-statesman. Whose gigantic intellect is to frame the economic formula? He will be a greater emancipator than Lincoln himself.

Tin Gibson was renewing acquaintances in our city Thursday and yesterday. He says he and his neighbors on Silver Creek wouldn't object to raise most any time but just at present it has caught them with a lot of hay and grain down.

FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN VOLUNTEERS ON TOUR

Manager Donegan Off Today With a Delegation of Patriotic Workers to Tour County. Itinerary Covers big Territory. Terms of Payment are Announced. Interest to be 4-1-4

Manager James Donegan of the Liberty Loan Drive, left this morning for Crane where he will meet with some of those prominently connected with the affair and confer before the big tour is started. He will meet District Manager Zurcher at Crane, also discuss plans with W. H. Craven and others.

Several of our citizens are making arrangements to make the tour in the interest of the Fourth Liberty Loan and more will be at the meeting at Crane tonight. Many who desired to make the tour of the entire county are prevented from doing so by reason of business. Help is hard to secure and some business affairs cannot be left for the period necessary to make the entire tour.

The first meeting is scheduled at Crane tonight to be followed by a Red Cross Dance. The party will then go south taking Albersson, Andrews, Fields, Denio, back by Home Creek in Callow, the P Ranch, Diamond, Narrows, OO Ranch at Warm Springs, Silver Creek, then to Harney, Drewsey, coming back to Burns for Saturday and then to Lawen on Sunday.

A Red Cross dance is going to be held in connection with this tour at Crane, Denio, Narrows, Diamond, Silver Creek and Drewsey. There will also be a Red Cross dance at Burns on next Saturday night following the big parade and demonstration by the wives, mothers and sisters of soldiers.

This demonstration is to be a distinct feature of the Liberty Bond Drive and one that is attracting wide attention throughout this county as Burns has invited every mother and wife of a soldier to be guests of the city on that day and participate in the patriotic program arranged. In addition to the parade there is to be speaking in the afternoon followed by supper for the visiting mothers and wives, after that there will

WHY GRAINS "RUN OUT".

"Running out" of seed, so common in many districts, may be prevented by growing high-yielding varieties adapted to soil and climate, by seed selection and grading, and by seed treatment and crop rotation.

Farmers often say that the "seed runs out" if kept on the same farm, and that it must be replaced frequently by fresh stock from the seedsmen. They consider this natural though they can give no reason for it.

The trouble often begins by use of low yielding varieties, points out B. F. Sheehan, of the O. A. C. farm crops department. When the light, shriveled grains are put back, deterioration is bound to occur. Plants from these seeds get a late start and often are unable to overcome the handicap. This effect accumulates from year to year—the seed "runs out." Putting the seed through the fanning mill will remove most of these undesirable grains.

Planting the same kind of crop on the same lands year after year depletes soil fertility, and allows introduction of weed, disease and insect pests.

Seed from a field of low yield may be as good as seed from a high yielding field of the same variety and strain, if both fields yield pure seed of plump kernels. One farmer may grow 40 bushels of pure Turkey red per acre and another a few miles distant grow but ten. The lower yield may be due to any number of causes that do not affect the seed qualities.

Rev. E. O. Otto, District Missionary for the Grande Ronde Baptist Association, will conduct special services at the Baptist church tomorrow at 11 A. M. and also in the evening at 8 o'clock. Every one invited.

be further speaking and the mothers and wives will be honor guests at the Liberty Theatre. Later the Red Cross dance.

In addition to Mr. Zurcher who comes to aid this campaign, Manager Donegan has received the following telegram stating that a soldier is also assigned this territory:

Portland, Sept. 10. Have assigned Sergeant Major Frank Christy for Harney county, Sept. 14th to Sept. 22nd inclusive. Christy twenty first company Canadian Army service corps formerly of seventh first Canadian division. Enlisted Sept. 19th 1914. Long experience in trenches. Wounded at Feutubert, and returned to trench. Again wounded at Messines Belgium. Has done good work for previous Liberty Loan, Red Cross etc. Also assigning Mr. Elton Watkins of Portland special Agent department of Justice. Both splendid speakers. Klepper.

Manager Speakers Bureau. Manager Donegan has received the following telegram respecting the terms of the coming Bond sales:

Portland, Ore. Sept. 13th. Terms Liberty Bond Fourth Issue. Initial payment 10 per cent. November initial payment 10 per cent-20 per cent November 21st, 20 per cent December 19th, 20 per cent Jan. 16th, 20 per cent January 30th. Interest 4 1/2 per cent. Interest dates April 15th and October 15th. Ethridge.

The following have planned to make the tour to the southern part of the county: Sam Mothershead, Mrs. Grace Lampsire, Mrs. Jessie Moulten, Mrs. Julia Smith, Ira Mahon, Wm. Farre, E. C. Eggleston, Tom Allen, Manager Donegan, J. D. Zurcher, Major Sergeant Christy, A. K. Richardson, C. A. Byrd, R. L. Hass, Elton Watkins, of Portland, special agent of the Department of Justice; J. E. Weston, C. H. Leonard, Mrs. Pearl Keeler, W. Y. King.

PASTURING IMPROVES LAND.

Growing forage crops and grazing them with hogs are very efficient and economical methods of improving rundown land. This statement is based on the opinions and results of a large number of hog raisers and experiment station workers. Practically all the fertilizing elements of the vegetation produced on the land, except that stored in animal bodies, goes back into the soil in the manure and litter. The loss is more than offset where extra grain is fed to the hogs. The only danger of injury to the soil is in the trampling by the animals on heavy clays when they are wet. Such injury is easily avoided where a permanent sod pasture is available.

As one of the great needs of most soils is more vegetable matter, hog grazing offers an opportunity of restoring the exhausted humus without the expense of growing and using green-manuring crops. Another benefit which is usually overlooked comes from the hogs eating the weeds in the pasture fields. There are many common plants, usually classed as weeds, which hogs relish. They frequently clean these up first when turned into a new field. This not only makes good use of a number of waste plants, but also tends to lessen the trouble from these weeds in other crops.

Ellsworth Egli arrived here from California last Wednesday evening on a short furlough to visit with relatives and friends before proceeding to Camp Pike at Little Rock, Arkansas, where he is to enter an officer's training school. The young man will spend a few days in this vicinity as he has until the 21st to report.

TAKE STATE EXAMINATION IN SCHOOL WORK.

School Supt. Clark has handed up the following list of pupils who have successfully passed the examination in the subjects given. All are pupils of the Burns Public School; Geography:

Gwendolyn Crane, Burns McGowan, Edward Brown, Baxter Reed, Adolph Byrd, Arthur Thornburg, Lucille Brown, Nellie Parker, Ruby Owsley, Ruby Campbell, Mildred Dalton, Ethel Goff, Grace Lazerus, Amy Randall, Hazel Stock, Theresa Foley.

Physiology: Joy Groff, Mero McConnell, George Young, Sidney Hotchkiss, Elton Clemens, Roy Brown, Bernard Lazerus, Jessie Drinkwater, Belda Schwartz, Mary Welcome, Frances Hibbard, Mabel Swett, Clara Laughlin.

Diploma: Delphine Whiting, Edwin Martin.

SAVE FRUIT PITS

School Supt. Clark is in receipt of a letter from the Division of Education, National War Savings Committee, asking that the services of the boys and girls be given to the saving of fruit pits and nut shells. The letter reads in part:

"Poison gas was one of the first fruits of Kultur. It stings, blinds and kills. Charcoal or carbon made from fruit pits and nut shells is used to neutralize it.

"The government needs carbon. It asks the boys and girls of America to save: Peach pits, apricot pits, plum pits, cherry pits, prune pits, shells of these nuts.

"Two hundred peach pits, or seven pounds of nuts produce enough carbon for one gas respirator.

"Gather these and bring them to a central collecting station. Dry them thoroughly in the sun and notify Chemical Warfare Service, Washington, D. C. Bills-of-lading, shipping instructions and bags will be sent.

POULTRYMEN ENLIST MEN TO HELP DITCH KAISER

A national poultry organization has been formed to enlist the American hen to fight the Kaiser by producing meat and meat substitutes, releasing the red meat supply of the country for the soldiers and their comrades in arms across the sea.

The organization represents all the poultry societies and allied interests of the country. It is governed by a board of 20 directors, of which Prof. James Dryden, of the Oregon Agricultural College, is the western member. He has been asked to recruit a membership of 250 poultrymen in Oregon as her share of the 250,000 members fostering the "billion dollar industry."

The organization will help the poultry industry by conducting a campaign of education in the high value of eggs as a food. Poultrymen interested may write Prof. Dryden for particulars.

MARKET REPORT

After the heavy run of 2000 head of beef cattle and 150 calves at the North Portland Yards yesterday 300 head are offered on the market today and are meeting with ready sale at steady prices. Quotations are: Prime steers \$12.00-13.00; Good to choice steers \$11.00-12.00; Medium to good steers \$9.75-11.00; Fair to medium steers \$8.25-9.25; Common to fair steers \$5.75-8.25; Choice cows & heifers \$8.00-9.00; Medium to good cows & heifers \$5.75-7.25; Fair to medium cows & heifers \$4.75-5.75; Canners \$3.00-4.00; Bulls \$5.00-8.00; Calves \$9.00-12.00; Stockers & feeders \$6.00-8.00.

350 hogs arrived in the yards overnight the market has recovered some of the losses sustained last week at closing time yesterday prices were fully 25 cents higher. Quotations are: Prime mixed \$19.50-19.75; Medium mixed \$19.00-19.35; Rough heavies \$18.00-18.35; Pigs \$16.00-17.00; Bulk \$19.35-19.50.

The sheep and lamb arrivals overnight were 300 head. The market is steady and all offerings are selling well up to quotations as follow: medium lambs \$11.00-12.00; Year-Prime lambs \$13.50-14.50; Fair to lings \$10.00-11.00; Wethers \$9.00-10.00; Ewes \$6.50-8.50.

Buy a War Saving Stamp.

19 TO 20; 32 TO 36 AGES OF FIRST CALL

Older Men, Crowder Announces, Will be Inducted Into Service Later. Asks Aid in Supplying Plans of Industrial Deferment.

Youths of 19 and 20 years and men between the ages of 32 and 36, inclusive, who registered on Thursday will be the first called to the colors, announced today, and until the supply of available fighting material in their ranks has been exhausted older men will not be inducted into service.

Questionnaires will go to these registrants first and boards have been ordered to proceed so that some may be called in October.

General Crowder in a statement to all employers and industrial representatives asked their aid in applying the plans of industrial deferments so that the "maintenance of the military establishment or of the National interest during the emergency" may not be interfered with.

General Crowder has said the War Department could not expect to draw from the classes above 31 only 601,000 men physically fit for service and not entitled to deferred classification.

He also said men of 19 and 20 called were entitled to admission to the students' training corps at the 400 secondary schools with which the War Department has made contracts, but added that this corps would number 150,000 men, while over 3,000,000 youths below 21 will register Thursday.

Methods of selecting these to be inducted into military service and educational training corps, he said, "were the concern of other branches of the Administration.

"Someone must indicate that the individual case is one which should arrest the special attention of the boards in respect to the registrant's occupational status," said General Crowder in his statement. "The boards do not possess a superhuman omniscience. Nor are they permitted by circumstances to devote unlimited time to the search of questionnaires for possible grounds of claim."

In 1917 out of more than 3,000,000 registrants called, only 140,000 filed occupational claims, or 4.7 per cent; thus 95 per cent of all registrants raised no question of deferment.

THE SERVICE FLAG

Dear little flag in the window there, Hung with a tear and a woman's prayer;

Child of Old Glory, born with a star— Oh, what a wonderful flag you are!

Blue is your star in its field of white, Dipped in the red that was born of fight;

Born of the blood that our forebears shed To raise your mother, The Flag, o'er her head.

And now you've come, in this frenzied day, To speak from a window—to speak and say:

"I am the voice of a soldier son, Gone to be gone till the victory's won."

"I am the flag of The Service, sir: The flag of his mother—I speak for her"

Who stands by my window and waits and fears, But hides from the others her unwept tears.

"I am the flag of the wives who wait For the safe return of a martial mate— A mate gone forth where the war god thrives,

To save from sacrifice other men's wives."

"I am the flag of the sweethearts, true; The often unthought of—the sisters, too,

I am the flag of a mother's son And won't come home till the victory's won!"

Dear little flag in the window there, Hung with a tear and a woman's prayer;

Child of Old Glory, born with a star— Oh, what a wonderful flag you are!

—William Herschell in the Indianapolis News.