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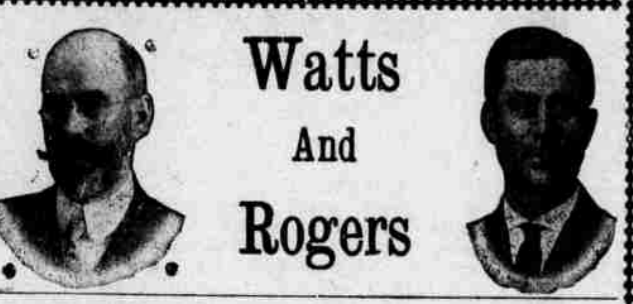
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LETTERS FROM OUR LADS "OVER THERE"

As head of the committee sending tobacco to our boys in France, Mrs. A. A. Foss has received the following interesting letter from Roy Zerba, the first the Press has had the pleasure of printing from him:

In France, April 3, 1918.
To my Athena Friends, and the dear Stenographer:
Just received the package of tobacco you all sent and I thank you a thousand times. Would love to give you all a little war news, but I presume you are hearing more about the European situation than I am. Have been over some time now, however, the time passes by quickly as we are busy from morning until dark, and sometimes late at night. Have finished my schooling in the Aeroplane factory some time ago, and it will not be long until I'll be jake on all types of machine guns. Have given up the idea of mastering French, as my tongue is too long and I haven't the time to study it; but nevertheless, am getting so that I can carry on a conversation with a French Mile. while keeping my hands in my pockets, and that is some consolation.

I go to the city about once a week, and every uniform in the world is represented in the streets and it sure is interesting to talk to the men who have been through some of the hell. That it is not war, but scientific murder, seems to be the consensus of opinion.

The only home we have over here is the dear old Y. M. C. A., and the work they are doing is simply wonderful and should be given all the support in the States, as it means so much to us over here.

We are having beautiful spring weather now but will be glad when summer drifts around, which commences in July. Am seeing some of the scenes that I studied about in history, only would have loved to have seen this country before the war. However, this is a beautiful country, but we are just too busy to study and get close to mother nature.

These planes are dreadnoughts, compared with the ones we trained on in the States. The French and English have some speedy machines but, by heck, here's three cheers for the Liberty Motor! An automotor or chief mechanic on one of these battle planes, and my duty is to keep motor—"old faithful Betsy." I call her—tuned up at all times. The only thing that worries us mechanics is, will we ever get a chance to fetch down a German ace? However, we are looking forward for our chance. The air forces are sure doing wonderful work, and the boys in the trenches are not asleep, by heck! You have already, no doubt, read of the greatest battle of the war. Believe me, our boys in the trenches are all heroes. Was talking to a French General yesterday and he said that it was almost impossible to keep the Western boys from going over the top. He said they would shoot until they got tired, then those Western dare-devils would kneel down and play poker while they laugh and joke most all the time, but when they go over the top, they always sing this hymn: "Abide With Me." War is exactly what Sherman called it, but nevertheless, this is a great life, if you don't weaken.

When this bloody war is over and us guys from a score of lands return again to the quiet of our homes and the peace of our firesides, we will all carry from days of carnage and destruction two grateful remembrances, symbolized by graphic characters. One is the Red Cross, seen on scores of battle fields where men lie wounded, dying—and dead, telling a story of unselfish sacrifice that even Mars could not overcome. The other is the Red Triangle, the symbol of the Young Men's Christian Association, reaching wherever soldier boys are in need of help; with huts and buildings at the very battle front, with a ministry of service to tens of thousands of men.

We are treated good, over here, and everybody is happy and there is but one thought in all of our minds, and that is, to conquer old Bill if it takes forever. By the way—if I ever get a chance at him, will bring back to some of my friends some good coyote bait—and old Bill is in good shape. Best regards to all my friends.

Very respectfully yours,
Roy Lee Zerba,
19th Aero Squadron, via New York, A. E. F.

Floyd "Hot on Kaiser's Trail."
Floyd Corporan, also received his smokes, and writing to the Press under date of April 4th, says:
I just received a package of tobacco from the tobacco committee at Athena. Please thank them for me through the Press, for it was very much appreciated. I'm well, and hot on the trail of the Kaiser. When the war is over I'm going back to the best place in the U. S. Athena. Tell all my friends "hello," and I'd like to hear from all of them. Private F. Corporan, Co K, 161st U. S. Inf. A. E. F. France, via New York.

Navy Boy Writes.
The first letter from our Navy boys appears this week, under date of April 26.
"U. S. S. Shawmut."
"Dearest Mother: I received your letter and the package all right. Am sure glad to get the gloves and socks, as the socks are just what I wanted and I do sure enjoy looking at the picture, for it makes me think more of home than ever. The fellows are interested in them too. I tell them there are real girls in God's country. Well

our ship is looking better all the time. I wish you could see it. There are just lots of things I would love to tell you, but it would never do to tell you in a letter; when I come back from over there I will tell you about the time I had at sea. When a person gets away out at sea, far from nowhere, it sure makes him think of the little home on the hill at home. Will Shick."

SOME MISAPPREHENSIONS AS TO BONDS CORRECTED

Some misapprehension regarding the word "convertibility," used in connection with Liberty Loan Bonds, seems to have arisen in the minds of the public, according to letters received at State Liberty Loan headquarters, some persons confusing the term with negotiability. Edward Cookingham, state executive chairman, gave out the following statement Saturday regarding the meaning of the words:

"I would like to make it plain to all purchasers of bonds that the Third Liberty Loan Bonds are both negotiable and transferable and in that respect do not differ at all from the First and Second issues of Liberty Bonds.

"The word 'convertibility' has no reference whatever to the negotiability of the bonds. This particular issue is not 'convertible' into any other bonds which may be issued later in the war, but that does not mean that the bonds are not negotiable or transferable or deliverable in the freest possible manner at any time and any person who may purchase the bonds or to whom the holder may desire to transfer them.

Official pamphlets containing detailed information regarding Third Liberty Loan Bonds may be had from State Liberty Loan Headquarters, 323 North-western Bank Building, Portland, for the asking.

Tea Postponed to May 11.

On account of opening day of Ware's soda fountain, proceeds of which are to go to the Belgian Relief fund, the Junior Red Cross tea which was to have been given at the home of Mrs. Henry Koepke May 4th, has been postponed one week, to Saturday, May 11. A program of recitations and music has been arranged for the afternoon. All are cordially invited to attend and help further the work of the Junior Red Cross. Those having cars please see that they are well filled before starting.

Japanese Arts and Letters.

The Yamato association has been formed by distinguished Japanese citizens for the purpose of making Nippon's achievements in arts and letters better known to the western world. Its promoters believe that Japanese civilization is not correctly understood by the vast majority of Occidental people. Her naval, military and scientific advancement is recognized, but the West has yet to comprehend the significance of her achievements in the humanities.

The Japan Magazine, commenting upon the new organization, says: "Many foreigners are disposed to look upon Japan as merely a military nation, whereas her most important side is the genius of her unique civilization and character. If people could get a glimpse of the soul of Japan they would have quite a different opinion of her. This can best be had from Japanese art and literature, which in many ways are equal to those of the West. Even those Occidentals who try to appreciate Japanese art prefer the least representative art of the nation. And as for Japanese literature, it is practically unknown among western people."

The association will publish works on Japanese history, literature and art and make translations into European languages of the best works of Japanese writers, ancient and modern; in addition its endeavor will be to promote the improvement of the national music and drama.

Glass Industry in America.
Glass was first manufactured in America by the people of Jamestown, Va., during the year 1615. Commenting on this fact, John Smith lamented that "the labor of the colony has been misdirected in the manufacture of ashes, soap, glass and tar, in which they could by no means compete with Sweden or Russia." The inhabitants of Jamestown did not agree with this view, however, and soon afterward commenced the erection of a glass works, the completion of which was interrupted by the Indian massacre of 1622. The first glass factory in North America to attempt the industry on an ambitious scale was built in 1780, at Temple, N. H., by Robert Hewes of Boston. The workmen, 32 in number, were German deserters from the British army. The carelessness of a workman caused the destruction of the plant by fire in 1781. In 1803 a glass factory was established in Boston, and since that time the industry has flourished.

Acts of Heroism Recognized.
Twenty-four acts of heroism were recognized by the Carnegie hero fund commission in its fourteenth annual meeting. In seven cases silver medals were awarded, in 17 cases, bronze medals. Ten of the heroes lost their lives, and to the dependents of nine of these pensions aggregating \$4,500 a year were granted. In addition to these money grants, in two cases, \$2,100 was appropriated for educational purposes, payments to be made as needed and approved, and in 11 cases awards aggregating \$8,000 were made for other worthy purposes. Payments in these cases will not be made until the awards have been approved by the commission.

RABBI SAYS THAT RUSSIA WILL STICK

Rabbi Joseph Goldman, prominent Hebrew lecturer, appeared before a large audience in the High school auditorium Monday evening and delivered a patriotic address.

The Rabbi recently returned from Russia where he was at the time of the Bolshevik uprisings and his topic, "Russia and the War," served to give him scope for imparting to his hearers inside views of the happenings that have transpired in the Slav nation.

His talk was patriotic to the core, and strong applause greeted his assertion that Russia will come back at the Hun "Russia has never stopped fighting," he said, meaning the patriotic type of Russian, "and has never made peace with Germany. Russia is only beginning the war, and I give you my word that the Russian na-



Rabbi Joseph Goldman

tion will never stand for German militarism as long as one man is left.

"Four million women, from 20 to 30 years of age forming the Battalion of Death, will die to save Russia. Russia is composed of 32 nations and the Bolsheviks is composed of the lowest element, and its leaders, Lenin and Trotsky are German agitators. When the time is ripe, Kerensky and his followers will prove to be the saviors of the nation. When they strike, Germany will meet her Waterloo in Russia."

The Rabbi has a son who is serving in the American Army. The son was in the Russian trenches, but the father purchased his release and brought him to America.

Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Christian church, Rabbi Goldman will lecture on "Siberia." At the same place in the evening, beginning at 8 o'clock, he will take the subject: "Palestine, Past and Present; the Homecoming of Israel."

Adams Won Game.
The sum of \$12.50 was netted to each of the soldiers' tobacco funds of the towns of Athena and Adams, from the proceeds of the ball game Sunday, in which Adams was victorious over Athena by the score of 9 to 7. The game was fairly well played, considering that it was the first of the season, the fore part of it swimming along in mid-season form.

"Walking Disease."
Dr. W. H. Lytle, state veterinarian, was in the county last week investigating cases of "walking disease" in horses. Dr. Lytle has experimented with this trouble for several years, and is convinced that it is caused by unusually heavy infestation of bots.

He thinks prevention is far more sure of results than any cure that may be prescribed. He recommends clipping the hair off the horses' legs to prevent the depositing of eggs by the bot-fly, and he also recommends the use of repellent sprays. County Agent M. S. Shrook accompanied the state veterinarian on his tour of inspection of Umatilla county horses where trouble has been reported, and received from him full instructions regarding the disease.

HOME SECTION SERVICE COMMITTEE IS APPOINTED

At the regular meeting of the Red Cross auxiliary Wednesday afternoon, a new committee on Home Section Service was appointed by Chairman, Mrs. Sharp. The committee is to look after interests of soldiers and sailors' relatives in every manner, and consists of: Chairman, Mrs. Anna Foss; secretary, Mrs. Minnie DePeatt; Mrs. Hugh McIntyre, Mrs. Minnie Willaby and Miss Mattie Coppock.

A detailed report for the past month will appear next week, giving figures of various benefits etc., also the work turned in to headquarters at Pendleton. The banquet given for the Knights of Khorassan, in the M. E. church dining room Tuesday evening, was pronounced a very satisfactory success, many willing hands making the work easy. Many compliments were received from the Knights, in praise of the tempting and bountiful viands. It is hoped to realize about \$100 from this banquet, for the Red Cross fund.

A number of handsome Red Cross posters were received from National Headquarters at Washington, D. C., sent by Mrs. James Sturges, which will be used for publicity in all benefits, and will decorate the Red Cross rooms.

State Council of Defense.

Every worker in this county has been requested to attend Oregon's first War Conference to be held in Portland, May 22 and 23, under the auspices of the State Council of Defense. The meeting has been called at the request of federal officials and is of extreme importance from several angles. First the war workers will have an opportunity of hearing men speak who have a national or international view of the war; second, the workers will have an opportunity of discussing local problems and co-ordinating their views with the views of others in attendance, which will prove of mutual benefit to all who attend, and third, the gathering will pave the way for a great state-wide speaking campaign which is to follow shortly after the conference.

Ferndale Red Cross Sale.

On Friday evening, May 10, at Ferndale Hall, the Valley Auxiliary of the Umatilla Red Cross will give a public sale, for the purpose of raising funds. Sheriff Taylor has been invited to do the auctioneering. A general invitation has been extended candidates of all parties to be present. A considerable list is comprised in the sale, including live stock, household furniture, wearing apparel, fruit, vegetables, etc. The Valley Auxiliary is a flourishing one, embracing the entire Ferndale district of five units, and practically every woman in the valley is sewing for the Red Cross.

Knitting Club.

The Knitting Club silver tea, held in the Red Cross room last Friday, attracted a large number, and was liberally patronized. The tea netted \$20.05 for the fund. One new member, Mrs. David Taylor, was received into the Club. This afternoon the club is meeting at the home of Mrs. Roy Burke, and next Friday will meet with the chairman, Mrs. J. A. Kirk, on South Main street.

WHEN THE DOKIES CAME TO TOWN

Headed by the Weston band, the Dokies—Al Kindi Temple, Knights of Khorassan, of Walla Walla, came to town Tuesday evening and snatched a perspiring band of neophytes from the burning sands of the desert. The hijinks did not end until early Wednesday morning.

Before the Doin's at K of P-I, O. O. F. Hall, Pythian Lodge and the Dokies, seated themselves at a gorgeous banquet in the M. E. church dining room, which was spread by the estimable ladies of the Red Cross, and where the Direful Dokies gorged the tiger to full repletion. A prominent member of the order presided as toastmaster, and many speeches were made by gentlemen from abroad, only one little incident occurring to mar the pleasure of the evening, when one Doky, refusing to sit down when ordered, was shot, much to the apparent regret of the executioner.

A class of 18 were initiated into the mysteries of the Temple, and while a few of the number have not been seen since it is not to be presumed that they are entirely lost to family and friends; inasmuch as it has long been an established fact that once the Dokies have worked on a victim, they always leave a spark of life when through with him. Visitors included distinguished bandits from Walla Walla, Prescott, Dayton and Waitsburg, Wash., and Umatilla county towns. The tyro victims too, were some class, including the Mayor of Walla Walla, and a banker, as well as a number of Athena offerings.

Coming Red Cross Drive.

America's drive for another hundred million dollars for the Red Cross will soon be underway. In order that this tremendous work of humanity may be carried on, the President has designated the week of May 20th, 1918, as Red Cross week, during which the public will be appealed to for another hundred million dollar contribution. Every means will be taken during that week to inspire and stimulate the public to give and give generously to this great need. It is as much a matter of patriotism as the support of our army and navy, and the local auxiliaries in every community will seek to canvass each individual.

Boys' Reserve Corps

Supt. J. O. Russell of the Athena schools has charge of the registration of the Boys' Working Reserve Corps for Athena and vicinity. Beginning Monday, May 6, every boy between the ages of 14 and 21 years is required to register. Mr. Russell may be found at his office in the High school building. The purpose of the registration is to give the Government information as to the number of boys and young men below the army draft age who can be registered for the different branches of labor. It is imperative that the registrations for Athena be finished next week, as Mr. Russell will be required to give his attention to the closing work of the school year.

Ford Cars Tangle Up.

Ford cars have figured in mishaps in this community during the past week. Sunday night Lawrence Sharp and Tol Ferguson were thrown under the Sharp Roadster, when the machine turned turtle in the road west of Athena with the result that Ferguson sustained a couple of broken ribs. Wednesday night Louis Bergovin and Frank Panburn were dumped into the road and bruised slightly when Bergovin's Ford turned over.

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