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ETTERS FROM OUR LADS "OVER THERE"

Corporal Sidney Barnes, Co. E, 116 Engineers, writes as follows:

"May 1, 1918. "They seem to be determined to feature me in mortal combat with the Boches, but honestly, it is no use. By the looks of things just now, I will spend a good while yet in teaching the young idea how to shoot, (in two mean-ings,) as Captain White, our new C. O. has asked me to help him in the edu-cational work at the Y. M. C. A. We meet tonight to outline our program and I believe it is to be interesting. "I have just completed a bunch of Boches, but honestly, it is no use.

"I have just completed a bunch of "I have just completed a bunch of dummy heads for the bayonet dummies which are to be photographed before they are "casualties;" and if the censor allows, I will send you a picture of them to let you see what I've done. I'm just a little proud of my first attempt at "sculpture." When I get home I will do Dad's likeness in papier mache and label it. "The Man who mache and label it: "The Man who waged successful werfare against the Bloated Capitalists and Drove the Liberty Loan Home'—or something similar. Last night I had three casualties in my regiment. Somebody knocked three of my dummies down and totally destroyed one and severely wounded two-which means a half-day

"This morning I did a big washing. The procedure might interest you: Cold water, Poverty Flat soap, (as Bret Harte would say,) a scrubbing brush and lots of elbow grease, Kind o' hard on the clothes, and sometimes not very efficient; but if you are careful to fold them just right they usually pass the Saturday inspection and are very us-

"My daily programme now is: 6:15 "My daily programme now is: 6:15 reveille; 6:45 mess; 8-9:45 I. D. R. calesthenics or bayonet, (every other day in the Colonel's company.) The balance of the day is Camouflage, and Thursdays and Fridays I am to lecture to the touring parties. Retreat is 5:45 and I expect the Y. M. C. A instruction will take ears of two or three every lines are the rubber, to be so tion will take care of two or three evenings a week. The rest of the time I will rest. That's sarcasm. But honestly, I am glad to do as much as I can because I believe every little bit helps and there'll be lots of time to rest after this killing and maiming is stopped Its the men who are crippled or ruined by gas, and must spend their lives in misery, who suffer most.

"I am going out on the target range tomorrow and will be able to tell you what percentage of Boches I will get when I get my chance—which looks a long way off yet. Corp. Jerry is on military police duty just now and Percy Wilson has been made corporal. Recently saw Jim Holgarth, but he's gone now; may be fighting-maybe not. Don't worry about me not coming back to God's country because I'm like the fellow who said all he needed was a cance, a compass and a dis-charge, and he'd walk the rest of the way. France is bon patrie, but the good old West for me. During our travels we have met many soldiers— Japanese, Algerians, Chinese, French. rrocan, English, German prisoners and others. To my mind, the Amercans are the huskiest of the bunch. Have been in four different towns here d bunch of territory. Do you know, this tourist life is rather xpensive, and at present 1 am broke. Weather-Cloudy and warmer.

"Conducting myself-Moderate."

Expects to Go to Front,

Sergeant George Winship writes Mrs. A. A. Foss, under date April 22; "Dear Cousin: Received your most welcome letter today, the first mail since I left the regiment, two weeks ago. I am now billetted in the country about 3 1-2 miles from a small village. We go to the village each morning and go to school. We have French in-

go to school. We have French in-structors, as the tractors we drive are of French make. Am learning to re-pair trucks and tractors, and expect soon to be working on the front. "I visited a village yesterday, Sun-day, that is about of the year 23, B. C. It sure is well fortified. High wall around it, and then a wide moat. Was in a church that is carved out of the rocks. It was sure worth seeing. I also went through a large castle, and the underground chambers would cover

more space than Athena does,
"I got a letter from Sam Starr the other day, he says he don't know when they will leave for the front.

"We have two rooms in our billet, 28 of us there Each room has a large fire place. I have some feeds, which consist of eggs, and then some more eggs; as eggs are about all we can

buy here.
'I'm on the go all the time—get up at 5:30, eat, then go to town, work in shops all day, then go back to billet, wash up, go eat and then it is time to crawl into my blankets. We sleep on the floor; I believe I could sleep standing up, as it has been so long since I had any springs under me. Am writing this in the village picture shows uniform I wear at work now; will go back in office as soon as I can learn to repair cers."

Hugh Gibson, who was secretary to the American legation in Belgium when the war broke out, can pack wit, humor and irony into a single paragraph and still keep it short. He visited a Belgian house that some German offi-cers had occupied and later evacuated when their army retired. "Over the door," he writes, "was the inscription. 'Officers' Mess.' It was certainly the most complete mess that I ever saw. Until then I had regarded the expression, 'An officer and a gentleman,' as redundant. I no longer think so,"-

Great Wheat Stocks Isolated.

It's the shortage in ships that is putting the Allies and the United States on wheat rations. Great stocks of when are isolated in India, and Australia. At great sacrifice in ship space and use the Allies are forced to secure some wheat from Argentina.

On January 1, Australia had stored 100,000,000 bushels of wheat that was ready for export-but there were no ships. Then came the new crop with an exportable surplus of 80,000,-000 bushels. Now Australia has approximately 180,000,000 bushels waiting for ships.

India, at the same time, had 70,000,000 bushels of wheat stored for export. During April 50,000,000 bushels more out of the new crop will be added to

Argentina closed the last ship-Argentian closed the that ship-ping season with 11,000,000 bushels of wheat left in the stock available for export. The new crop will add 135,000,000 to

It is not a problem that the wheat Joes not exist in the aorid—it is entirely a problem of shipping, which has thrown on America the obligation of dividing our stock with the Allies.

ILM SPREAD OVER WATER

Thin Sheet on Surface Has Properties That Are Very Like Those of India Rubber.

one must imagine the rubber to be so thin as to be transparent. The surface of the water itself is elastic and under tension, so that a needle, though heavter than the water, may be floated on the surface.

Several interesting experiments may be made with the clasticity of this film. One of the best is to place two slender splinters of wood side by side on the water. Now drop a little alcohol between the splinters. This alco-hol will immediately break the surf-ace film between the splinters, and the pulling force of the remaining film, since there is nothing between them to hold them, will cause the splinters instantly to fly apart.

Another interesting experiment is to whittle a thin, slender splinter, pointed at one end somewhat like a boat. Place a tiny bit of gum camphor on the rear of this splinter and the gum will destroy the surface film so that there will be no pull in the rear. As there is a pull in the front not balanced by one in the rear, the tiny boat will run forward as rapidly as the camphor can dissolve the film in the rear.

Some interesting little "magic" tricks might be developed from these experiments which would surprise and instruct your friends.

PARIS CHAUFFEURS ARE FOXY

Have Developed Ingenious Trick to Play on Sympathies of Unsuspecting American Women.

Paris taxicab drivers-how many tories have been and will be written about them!-are now playing a new trick on unsuspecting Americans and even French people, especially women. There are several popular restaurants on the Avenue Trudale, which is only on the avenue fruence, which she climb-ing the fill in the Rue des Martyrs. It takes time and gaseline to mount that grade; that is why many taxis stop af-ter starting the ascent.

The driver makes frantic efforts to start—then climbs down, firts the non-net of the engine, pokes around, makes another effort to start, throws up his hands and exclaims: "It's broken down! It won't go a foot further."

His fare, usually a woman, gets out, often angry and indignant, but the chauffeur has lost his ability to reply in kind. He is sad, and shakes his head mournfully, "My whole evening's work will be wasted by the time this car's pulled back to the garage. I won't make any money tonight!"

As like as not, the sympathy of his passenger is aroused, and she gives him a good tip in addition to the fare indicated by the taximeter—and then walks up hill. When she is out of sight the chauffeur lifts the hood again, twists a valve and the engine starts with a bang. He hops to his sent and rattles back to the boulevards, hoping to find another easy

ONLY AMERICA CAN HELP. *

"On your side are boundless * supplies of men, food, and mate- * rial; on this side a boundless demand for their help,

"Our men are war-weary and their nerves have been strained by more than three years of hard, relentless toll.

"Our position is critical, par * ticularly until the next harvest, * but the United States can save "You Americans have the men,

* the skill, and the material to * save the ailled cause." SIR JOSEPH MACLAY. British Shipping Controller.

SFNATOR BARRETT HAS PASSED AWAY

Senator Charles A. Barrett died at his home in this city Tuesday after-noon at 7 o'clock, after a lingering illness covering a period of many months. At his death, Mr. Barrett was aged 65 years, eleven months and seven days.

For two years or more Mr. Barrett had been in declining health and dur-ing the last session of the legislature it was only through the sasistance of upreme will power that he continued his legislative labors. After the leg-islature adjourned, with his wife and daughter, he remained for several



State Senator Charles A. Barrett

eeks in Portland where he was under the care of Dr. MacKenzie. Returning to his home in Athena, he gave his at-tention to outdoor duties on his farm near town, and for a time a slight improvement developed in his health.

With the coming of winter, however he again declined, and gradually continued to do so. Again the medical resources of Portland were resorted to and the patient was there for another period, when blood transfusion was reorted to with little effect. He was brought home several weeks ago and gradually failed until the end, which

ame peacefully. For many years Mr. Barrett had been identified with the upbuilding of Athena, Umatilla county and the state of Oregon, He was a pioneer busss man of this city, and was extensively engaged in farming and stock-raising, with the assistance of his only son, Henry A. Barrett, junior member of the firm of C. A. Barrett & Co

He served Athena a number of term on the city council and in the office of mayor. He represented Umatilla county in the legislature for two terms, and a like number of terms was returned as joint senator for Umatilla, Morrow and Union counties. He was responsible for much legislation that brought good that brought good returns to the state, especially in road and tax matters.

Senator Barrett was born in Oxford county, Maine, and came to Umatilla county in 1874, arriving at old Umatilla Landing by boat and staging to Weston. For a number of years he vas associated with the late John Adams, an uncle, in the rock busi- McIntrye, riage with Miss Jennie Mays, at Weston. Afterward he engaged in the hardware business at Adams and in Athena, then Centerville. Of later years he has devoted considerable attention to farming and stock-raising and had acquired large land holdings.

The life of Senator Barrett has been busy one. Endowed with superb energy, he was never more contented and possibly three. While there he than when engaged in his pursuits. will visit a son and daughter, living Fraternally, he was affiliated with the pear Scattle.

Knights of Pythias and the B. P. O. E.

rders.

He is survived by his wife, his son Henry A. Barrett, and daughter, Arc-ta Barrett, all of this city. Funeral services were held at the residence and at the grave yesterday, afternoon, Revs. E. A. Leonard of Gresham and D. E. Baker of Athena officiating. At the grave Colonel Mercer, Ser-gentiaty arms of the Orecon Services and the Company of the Orecon Services and the Orec geant-at-arms of the Oregon Senate, paid a splendid tribute to the memory of the dead legislator, and the Pen-dleton Lodge of Elks rendered ritualdicton Lodge of Elks rendered ritualistic services. Honorary pall bearers were: H. J. Taylor, Dave Nelson, S. A. Loweil, Pendleton; A. B. Mc-Ewen, Portland, S. A. Barnes, Weston; Mike Toner, Walla Walla. Active pall bearers, A. A. Foss, Charles Henry, Chas. Booher, Fay LeGrow, Marion Hansell, Athena; Jesse Hales, Adams.

MEETING TO CONSIDER ATHENA SWIMMING POOL

A meeting of all who are interested A meeting of all who are interested in having a swimming pool in Athena; is called for 7:30 o'clock next Tuesday evening at the office of Mayor Watts. At this meeting the matter of wheevening at the office of Mayor Watts.

At this meeting the matter of whether or not the enterprise will be pushed to completion will be decided. Last year the project was started too late to finish before the harvest season opened, as much of the work depends upon donation labor by farmers with

their teams, and other labor. Left over from the start of last year, there is a fund of over \$400 at the First National Bank which was paid by subscriptions. In event that it is decided at the meeting Tuesday evening to drop the swimming pool project, this money will be returned to the sub-scribers to the fund. Indications point to a fairly strong desire to see the pool completed and it is probable that a decision to go ahead with it will be

Death From Scarlet Fever.

Mildred, the little five year old daughter of Mrs. Cox, died Tuesday afternoon, the case being pronounced scarlet fever. The case i affled the attending physician, Dr. Sharp, who when called in to see the patient, could find no trace of the disease for the reason there was no excessive tempera-ture and no symptoms of breaking out. though the little throat was bad. Boyden was called in consultation, but nothing could be done. The little one took ill suddenly Sunday afternoon and died Tuesday aftrenoon. Funeral services were conducted at the grave Wednesday at 10 a. m., by Rev. Ba-ker of the Baptist church. The sorrowing mother has the sympathy of the community. The home is quarantined, as there are other children in

Agricultural Council Meets.

The Umatilla County Agricultural Council will hold its first meeting Sat-urday of this week in the county agent's office at Pendleton. This organization will take up all agricultural problems that need solving in the county and will put on a county-wide program for better agriculture. The county agent's activities will be guided more or less by this organization. The representatives from the Athena section are: W. S. Ferguson, Earl Dudley, Arthur R. Coppock and A. H.

Baptist Association.

evening for Cove, Union county, to attend the Grande Ronde Baptist association. He will go to Seattle the last of the week to attend the Northwest Bible Conterence, Miss Ayres will have charge of the services at the Baptist church for the two Sunday, and possibly three. While there he

5000 MEN WANTED IN NAVAL RESERVE

NUMBER 22

A campaign to obtain about 5000 men for the United States Naval Reserve will start in Portland this week. Every branch of the service is open and there are especially well paid openings for skilled workers available. In addition, men who enilst will find it possible to enter branches where they can learn trades or the rudiments of professions. All men of draft age who can obtain releases from their lo-cal boards will be enlisted. The seamen branch which is known as the deck force, is open at a starting salary of \$35,90 a month and from this branch the young man of ambition can be promoted each three months to grades of gunners mate, boatswain mates and elevated into the many trade branches of the service.

The Reserve is especially in need of

Another branch that is calling for immediate enlistments is the aviation department. Men who can qualify for mechanical work are especially desired The following work is open:

Machinists, internal combustion en-gine men, automobile mechanics, car ouretor mechanics, service station mechanics, auto electrical repair men, auto eletricians, electrical mechanics, magneto repair men, metal finishers, lather operators, boring machine men, bench hands, buffers, polishers, auto-mobile screw machine operators, truck drivers, taxi drivers, tool makers, milling machine and shaper operators, gauge die and fixture makers.

Carpenters' mates can be enlisted from these classes: Pattern makers, cabinet makers, journeyman carpen-ters, stair builders, boat carpenters, door and sash mill men, tank or sta tion pipe workers, cooper or barrel makers, millmen or factory carpenters. Enlistments may be made at the Pendleton recruiting office.

Attended Convention.

Rev. W. S Gleiser returned yesterday from the National Patriotic Convention held in Portland May 29. He went as a representative of the Patriotic League and the business interests of Athena. Mr. Gleiser reports that there were more than 450 delegates present, not including the Portland delegation. The addresses of the con-vention dealt largely with the gravity of the present crisis. The value of the War Savings as a unifying factor, received emphasis. On next Thurs-day night at 8 p. m., Mr. Gleiser will give a lecture, reporting the address-es of the convention. This meeting will be held at the Methodist church, and admission will be free and no col-

Farmers' Union Picnic.

The Farmers' Union of Umatilla ounty will hold a picnic next Tuesday June 4th, to which all persons are invited. The place selected for the picnic is a shady spot on the old Indian Mission ground 5 miles east of Pendleton. A very sh rendered, a few foot races will be indulged in and a ball game between two "rookie" teams will be played. One Rev. D. E. Baker will leave Monday ket dinner for which cash prizes are offered for the ones who conform most nearly to the food administration idea and yet retain the maximum palatability. Competent women will place the awards

Colonel Mercer, who for many years has been sergeant-at-arms of the Ora ogn Senate, is a guest at the Barrett home in this city.

War Togs

The man who fights the weeds and drougth at home is doing his part to win the war, as well as the boys in France. The J. C. Penney Co, has always specialized in men's Work Clothes. "More for Less Money," is our aim.

Men's hervy blue Overalls, \$1.89 Men's heavy blue jumpers, - 1.89 Men's stripe Overalls, - 1.49 Men's waist Overalls, - 1,49 Men's khaki pants - 1.25 to 2.49 Work shirts, plue and gray, - .69 Extra size Shirts, . - .89 Khaki Shirts, Cavalry style, \$1.69 Cloth hats, khaki, - -.69 Men's Caps, - - .15-.25-.49 Suspenders, - - - .25-,49



Men's harvest Shoes, mule. - \$2.25 Men' harvest Shoes, elk, - 2.79 Hi top harvest Shoes, Heavy work Shoes, - 2,98 to 5,80 Canvas Gloves, - 3 pr. .15 Canvas Gloves leather face, - .25 Leather Gloves - .49 to 1.98 Two-piece Underwear -.25-.69 Union Suits - - .89 to 1.98 Shoe laces - 2 for .05 and .05 Belts - .25-,49-,69 Red and Blue handkerchiefs .05-.10

BUSY STORES