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# LADS "OVER THERE"

Mrs. Mary Shick has received letters from here two sons, Will, who is in the U. S. Navy, and Ray, in the Marine Corps, both of which will interest their Athena friends:

"U. S. S. Shawmut, June 30, 1918. Dear Mother and Sisters:- I guess you are wondering where I am. Well, I am much farther away than I was when in Boston. We left Boston on June 16th, and got over here the 29th. We sure had a nice trip all the way, didn't see a thing all the way. I guess they knew better than to try to get us, for we were sure on the lookout for the submarines. I stood the trip fine, didn't get one bit seasick. I don't didn't get one bit seasick. I don't hardly know what to say; the thing you would like to know, I can't tell, but will tell you all about it when I come back home, which I don't think will be such a long time now. Some of the boys say they will eat New Year's dinner in Boston. I don't hardly think they will. I haven't been ashore yet but will go tomorrow and see what kind of a place this is around here. It sure looks nice from the ship. The country looks something like it does around home. The crops look nice and green. It makes me think I nice and green. It makes me think I am closer home instead of so far away.

Have you heard from Ray or John? And how does John like the army by this time? I don't suppose it will be long till he will be over here too, or maybe three. I guess the Shicks are not doing so bad after all—three out of four. Well, you can tell the rest of the folks that I have made the big trip across the pond and that I am well and having plenty to eat. Your son,

"Dear Mother: Will write you a few lines to let you know that I landed O. K. How is everything in Athena? I suppose it is getting warm by this time. This is some place. We only get mail once a month, so answer this as soon as you get it so it will get on

the next transport.
"We had some trip. It took us 23 days and we stopped at Honolulu for 48 hours. I sure would like to have Where is Bill now? I suppose he is still in Boston. I sure would like to be any place but here, but I guess I might as well like it for we have to stay here for 15 months. I hope the

war is over by that time.

"How are the kide, and are they going to school? I hope so anyway, for they will need all of it they can get.

I am going to write Lawson Booher a letter, and will send you my picture soon. It only takes 9 days to go to China. I suppose I will see it before I get home. With love to all.

Ray Shick. Marine Barracks, Guam, M. I.

The following letter dated June 30, although written before the great counter offensive of the allies, shows that the writer, John Wall, an Athena boy, was in the front lines even at that date. What he has seen and exthe privilege, will be a story to tell:
"Dear Mother: I received two more letters from you a few days go and I was sure glad to get them. You can tell Boyd that his paper has quite a circulation, as I received them in the front lines. You speak of the eats over there. I wish you could see what we have to eat. We have old dry bread, coffee and canned meat, and sometimes we have to rustle it ourselves. But we get along pretty good as there is quite a lot of garden stuff and some fruit. I don't know where all the food goes that is saved over

"Athena must be a pretty dead place now, with all the young fellows gone. And from the way things look at pres-

And from the way things look at present it will be a couple of years before they get back. I have been in the army for seven months now.

"I will write to Henry Miller and also some of the fellows from home.

"I had a sweater, the helmet and wristlets and I had to leave them behind as all we can have now is just being as all we can have now is just being as all we can have now is just being as all we can have now is just being as all we can have now is just being as all we can have now is just being a sell we can have now is just being a sell we can have now is just be a sell we can have now is just being a sell we can have now is just being a sell we can have now in the sell we can have now i hind, as all we can have now is just what we can carry with us. Maybe you can send me some stuff next winter. We are having fine weather From Well, there isn't anything I can write, so will close.

John L. Wall,
H. Q. Co., 38th Inf. A. E. F.

Fred Hendley Dead. Fred W. Hendley, aged 64 years, for many years a resident of the coun-ty, was found dead in his bed early Tuesday morning in his room at the State Hospital, where he has for the past six years been employed as a bookkeeper, reports the Esat Oregonian. It is surmised that heart failure caused his sudden death as he had not been ill and was apparently in good health. Mr. Hendley was born in Par-tage, Wisconsin, June 21, 1854 and was married in 1877 to Miss Elizabeth Anne Koontz, who survives him. He is the son of Mrs. Jesse Failing of Pendleton and the father of Mrs. Fred Earl of Pendleton and Mrs. Jesse Mathis of Echo.

Register Sept. 5th. September 5 will be the registration day for more than 13,000,009 Americans between 18 and 21, and between 32 and 45, if congress heeds Crowder's urgent plea by passing the manpower bill. Crowder warned that registration must not be delayed if October, November and December fells are to be

## COUNTY AGENT ADVISES OUR FARMERS TO SAVE STRAW

"While we are Hooverizing on substitutes that were formerly considered unpalatable," says County Agent Shrock, "let us see if we cannot teach the livestock to aid the cause of freedom and democracy by a little Hoover-

"Thousands of tons of straw are annually burned in Umatilla county. Straw has low feed value if fed alone. This is because it is low in protein and high in crude fibre. If fed alone its effects on the digestive tract soon hecomes serious. It is the same with some of the substitutes we are eating, but we do not eat them alone. We use some judgment and follow prescribed formulas for mixing.

"Let us use the same judgment with our stock feeding. What shall we mix it with? Naturally we will select the feeds that are long on the very factors straw is short on and vice versa. Straw is short on protein and long or crude fibre. Oil meal, Soy bean meal, cotton seed meal, bran and alfalfa in the order named are our choice. This is no experiment, it has been amply demonstrated. Cattle have been wintered on two pounds of oil meal per animal daily and all the straw they would eat, coming through in fine

shape.
"With hay at \$20 per ton, and scarce at that figure we must look for substitutes. Straw is the most abun-

#### HOME JELLY MAKING WITH JUST PLAIN CORN SYRUP

Miss Lorene Parker, Home Demon stration agent for Umatilla county, gives the following information on jelly

"Very good jelly can be made with the white corn syruo instead of sugar. The color and texture are good, and the flavor good, although slightly less sweet than jelly made with sugar. Dark corn syrup cannot be used as it gives a strong, undesirable taste. For fruit juices that have a considerable mount of pectin (jelly making properties) use not more than 2-3 cup and not less than 1-2 cup of the syrup to 1 cup of the juice. In some cases juices that show a poor pectin test, 1 2 cup to 1-3 cup of syrup is used to 1 cup of juice. The jelly is made the same as any jelly and when the mixture coats a spoon and drops off in two drops it is cooked sufficiently to jell. Blackberry, apple, currants, crabapple and Oregon g\_ape have been used and all made good jelly. Loganberry was used but seemed to be lacking in pectin.

"Preserves may also be made with the syrup and for canning purposes, cup of the syrup to 3 cups of water will be sufficient for the sweeter fruits. The two corn syrups we are most fa miliar with are Karo, costing \$1.20 for a 10-pound can, and Wedding Break fast brand, costing \$3.00 for a gallon

"Where honey can be obtained it can be used in the same way that the syrup is used, but is too expensive to be practical. In choosing fruits for jelly making, do not have over-ripe fruits. Better have about half slightly under ripe, to furnish the pectin and the remainder ripe, to give the de-sired flavor and color."

#### GROCERS INSTRUCTED TO KEEP RECORD SUGAR SALES

All retail grocers of Um: tilla county have been instructed to keep a record of all sugar sales from August 1st. These records will be turned in to the County Administration at the end of the month and later be used by the officials in checking up the individual consumers, to see that they have no purchased more than their two pounds per month per person. Later on, it is anticipated, the State Administration will issue individual sugar cards.

Should the records show that any person has, by buying from several different stores, exceeded his monthly allowance, the Administration has au-thority to prohibit the offender from securing any sugar for such period as they might fix, or the offender is subject to prosecution under the Hoarding

"Special permits for canning-sugar are still being issued by the Administration upon statements showing the amount of fruit which a person desires to can. However, permits will not be issued for sugar to make jellies, jams or rich preserves, these being considered table luxuries. In this connection, to help out the housewife, Miss Lorene Parker the Home Demonstration Agent, has prepared a recipe to make jelly by using white corn syrup, as a substitute for sugar, is given in another column."

Vimy Ridge Survivor,

George Wells, who in 1909 was employed by Taylor & LeGrow in the Athena Meat Market, was in the city Sunday recounting to his friends his experiences in the great world war. Wells has been honorably discharged from the 50th Canadian Rifles on account of physical disability as the recount of physical disability as the re-sult of being shrapneled in feet and legs in the battle of Vimy Ridge, last year when the Canadians and the Aus-tralians shoved the boche out of that famous stronghold after weeks of fighting. Wells has many horrifying incidents to relate, ending all with the statement that the allies are sure to win in the end. He left Monday Ione where he was employed prior enlisting in the service.

### ATHENA BOYS ON THE FIRING LINE

The following letter from Sergeant George Winship, to his parents, dated July 18th, shows him to be on the firing line, and also mentions other Athena boys. He says, in part:

"Have been going to write for the past week, but am on the front and have little time for writing. Have been on the front since July 4th. The work I am in now is to keep autos and guns going, also see that they have ammunition, which is sure some job. Have eight men under me, and we never know when we will be called upon to make a trip to one of the batteries. It gives one a queer feeling to go along the road, knowing that you might connect up with a 155 G. P. F. But I like this better than being in camps like we have been, for here we have noise in the daytime and fireworks at night.

"The heaviest fighting is between 2:30 a. m. and 12 noon, rain or shine it goes on just the same. I saw the Germans set a French balloon on fire also an airplane battle yesterday. This life is sure a thrill from start to finish. We hang onto our steel derbys and gas masks now. They are our best friends.

"Sam Starr is telephone operator in one of the observation posts. Ed Se-basky and Harry Keller are both on the guns, and Jim Sturgis arrived on the front yesterday. Night before last I met Leslie McCubbins on the

mmunition train.
"Its pitiful to see the poor French people leaving their homes. It is a sad sight to see hundreds of them along the roads taking their few belongings and stock with them. Yesterday went out to bring in a Dodge and I passed an old lady and a small boy; one was leading a cow and the other a sheep, all they had left in the world, or at least time to bring with them. This is the saddest part of the war, to my thinking, but things of which I cannot write show that it won't be long before they will again

have their homes back.
"Have been watching the Germans fire at an observation balloon, also an air fight. As I write this, the 155 G. P. Fs. are sure making some noise. It's now 9 p. m., so it won't be long until the big battle starts up for the night. It was a warm one last night. It seemed as if I could reach the shells going over, and it was a sight to watch

them break.

"I have to accompany each ammunition train from the dump to the guns, which is all done at night, and it is scary at times, but I like it. I figure that if my name is on one of them I will get it, no matter where I am, Feeling that way, I am not afraid, Must stop and curl up for a little nap.

### FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN WILL CALL FOR \$6,000.000,000

The campaign for the fourth Lib-erty loan will open Saturday, Sept. 28 and continue three weeks, ending Oct. 19, it was announced Tuesday night by Secretary McAdoo.

In fixing three weeks as the length of the campaign for the fourth loan instead of four weeks as in previous loans, treasury officials plan for a more intensive campaign. A shorter cam-paign, it w2s said, will also enable more business men to enlist as work-

Although official announcement has not been made, the amount of the loan probably will be \$5,000,000,000 and the rate of interest 41-4 per cent, Should the treasury decide soon to place the market certificates of indebtedness redeemable next Jine.



Itor to Washington, where she has be-come known as one of the most interesting of the capital's foreign guests.

#### Broncho Bob Coming.

Broncho Bob Hall, famous as a bucking horse rider and runner-up in Round-Up contests of the past two years, is coming back to Pendleton next month with the announced determination of winning the much coveted championship in his pet event. In 1916 Hall captured third honors to Jackson Sundown and Rufus Rellins. Last year in spite of the handicap of a badly twisted ankle, he succeeded in winning second place to Yakima Canutt, and feeling that he is still on the up grade, he has it doped out that he is due to ride into the championship

#### Perfectly Good Beer.

M. J. McMillan of Walla Walla believed he could make beer at home so good that none could tell it from the brewerv product. He put his theory to a test and the beverage was passed on officially by Judge Douglas in jus-tice court. McMillan paid \$25 for the test at the suggestion of the judge. He turned over the money smilingly, insisting that his opinion had been vindicated. Sheriff Barnes had heard of McMillan's experiment and arrived at the house just when the beer was

Nation of the Steamboat. Edward Hungerform, writing of the evolution of the steamboat in the Naopens his argument with the following paragraph:
"The United States has been and

still remains the nation of the steamboat. She was the first nation to successfully apply steam propulsion to boats, and even though England shot ahead of us in her development of the steam vessel upon the salt sens-while we still clung rather proudly to our vaunted elipper ships—we had a great pride in the steamboats, big and little, which plied upon our inland waters, And the affection that the steamboat gained in the hearts of Americans more than a centruy it has never lost."

### HARVESTING OF THE 1918 WHEAT CROP

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The present week has put the bulk of the 1918 wheat crop of the Athena district in the sack and warehouse. The new departure of nandling wheat in bulk has been tried out sufficiently to prove that its adoption materially lessens the labor of handling grain in the harvest field, having the advan-tage of putting the grain in the warelouse with the last round made by the

cutting machinery. In Athena, two firms are handling the grain this season, the Preston-Shaffer Milling Co. and the Farmers Grain Agency, the latter loading direct into cars because of the fact the new elevator is not completed.

The yield on summer fallow land, sowed last fall varies from >0 to 40 bushels per acre, the general average seemingly to be turning out between 30 and 35 bushels. The late frosts, more than lack of moisture, undoubtedly controlled the quantity of yield

this season. In the near vicinity of Athena, and south on the reservation fields, the effects of the damage by frost is more extensive than in the territory extending north and northwest of town. In that locality a number of 40 bushel crops are reported, while not that high comes from the reservation district so

Harvest Notes.

Three different fields, farmed by Marion Hansell, approximating 500 acres located north and northwest of Athena averaged 40 bushels of wheat

per acre and is of splendid quality, McEwen brothers report a yield of between 30 and 35 bushels per acre rom 640 acres. A high wind yesterday forencen, preceding a shower of rain, forced the

Cannon stationary outfit to quit threshng. Threshing was finished on the Sheard place Saturday afternoon. The field of

160 acres averaged better than 40 bu-shels to the acre. Alex, M:Intyre is well pleased with his yield under present conditions. He has in 800 acres and three quarters of it is fall sown which is averaging 40

bushels per acre.
On the Otha Reeder place, the frost hit the low ground heavy, and his acreage of 440 acres averaged over 30

E. A. Dudley reports his crop near town at 30 bushels per acre. French Criglar received an average

of 36 3-2 bushels to the acre. Henry Barrett threshed an average of 30 bushels of Jenkins club from a 200 acre field, and is now in German red that is averaging better than that. Sim Culley, who is harvesting 1000 acres of grain, says his wheat is averaging better than 30 bushels,

#### Previous Records Smashed.

The hog market went to new high records at North Portland during Monday and at the same time the highest summer prices ever known in the Pacific const markets were achieved for cattle. One lot of extra good cattle went at \$12.75 per hundred pounds but the general market showed no whatever. The hog market broke all previous records, prices were shot up to 40 and 50 cents, top hogs sold strong at \$19.00 to \$19.15 per hundred.

Stars and Stripes Received.

A copy of The Stars and Stripes, famous official newspaper of the Amer-ican Expeditionary Force, of the date of June 28, was received yesterday by Fay LeGrow, Sergeant George Winship being the sender. The paper, published in Paris, is gotten up by American soldiers, and is chock full of

## Fall Domestics

Now is the time to lay in your Fall Domestics while our stock is complete, and prices much lower than one would think, considering the many advances. Buying from six months to one year ahead, is why we are able to quote you these prices at this time.

Iope Muslin 23c	Pepperel 9-4 bleachedSheeting 52c	White and dark outing flannel 25c
onsdale Muslin 28c	Foxcroft 9-4 unbleached " 49c	28-inch canton flame! - 25c-30c
ruit of Loom Muslin - 28c	Eagle Ticking 41c	Pequot pillow cases pr 98'e
Berkley Cambric 80 - 27 1-2c	Berlin Art Ticking 15c	Lenox pillow cases pr 64c
Berkley Cambric 100 - 321-2c	Pequot 42-inch Tubing - 45c	Acorn pillow cases pr 46e
Texas house lining 9c	Pequot 45inch Tubing - 48c	
olo unbleached Muslin 12 1-2c	Indian Head 40-inch Tubing - 35c	Turkish Towels, 2-19, 2-25, 2-39,
Our Brand unbleached Muslin 15c	Imperial 45-inch Tubing - 28c	2-49, 2-69

