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## LETTERS FROM OUR LADS "OVER THERE"

July 14, 1918.

"My Dear Mother: Am feeling fine and hope this will find all well. We are at the front at last, have been here seven days. We celebrated the Fourth of July in good American style by starting for the front. That sure was a fine town that we were billeted in before we left for the front. The French people used us as if we were their own kids. The day before we left for the front they made us a present of a 53 gallon barrel of vin blanc. We had a band concert that night so we had a real good time. All the people there want us to come back when we get on leave; even the Mayor invited us back. You can see that we are upholding our rep. the same as if we were in the States. Where we have been once we are always well come back.

"We have been having fun with Fritz since we have been here. We have managed to keep him awake about every night. But here's the joke: A few nights ago we didn't do a thing. It was about 2 a. m. We got an order to slip the Hun about a hundred rounds of pork-and-beans. Well, we just got our gun loaded when we got an order not to fire. We never let a gun stand with a charge in it, and the easiest way to take the charge out is to unload it on the Boche. Well, we sure must have knocked a tub of beer over for him, for he sure got peeved. He turned loose on us and never quit until about 4:30 and never came within a mile of us. As we didn't do any more firing that night, I bet he is still patting himself on the back thinking he decorated us with the wooden cross.

"We have the advantage of Aeroplanes, and as the airplanes and observation balloons are the eyes of the artillery, it is more guess-work for the Hun than it is for us. We have done some fine shooting since we have been here. If the States only hurry up and get a bunch of planes over here, we'll feel as safe with our guns as if we were at home.

"Tell Fay Le Grow that I got his letter, and tell Father O'Hagan that I saw a Chinaman working on the road here, whistling 'Ireland Must Be Heaven, for My Mother Came From There.' Oh yes, there were no Irishmen around, so he is still alive. Tell all the bunch hello, and to drop me a line. Have not got my mail for about a month. Well, I have to ring off as I have to go after ammunition tonight.  
Corp. Ed Schenky,  
148 F. A., Bat. D."

Percy to Be a Sergeant.

"Angers, France, July 16, 1918.  
"My Dear Mother: Just a line in reply to your most welcome letter which I received yesterday and words

"I have just come out of about 48 hours of the worst hell a man ever went through. You will see in the papers about the Boche making a drive on the Marne, and I was in the thickest of it for a day and night, but came out without a scratch. They say it was the worst bombardment the Germans ever put over, and it was a failure; so I guess the Boches begin to think they are whipped. One American is good for about five Boches, and I tried to account for them. Will be glad when I can tell you all about it. I lost my coat and everything in the drive, all I got away with was my rifle and the clothes I had on, so you can send me another one of your pictures. I haven't seen a soul that I knew in the States, but hope to run across them later. I sure am homesick, and I think every fellow over here is. I dread the winter. Will let you know if you can send the sweater and sox.

"Athena must be a lonesome place with all the young fellows gone. Have with all the Athena girls joined the Red Cross nurses yet?  
John L. Wall,  
H. Co., 35th Inf.

Harvest Slow at Nolin.

The harvest in Umatilla county has been slower in the vicinity of Nolin than in other parts of the county, reports the East Oregonian. The harvest there is not more than one-fourth completed and it will yet be fully 20 days before it will be over. A few even say it will take longer than that to finish. There has been considerable rain in that part of the county since harvest opened, and that coupled with heavy winds had tended to slow up the work.

Rain this morning again stopped threshing.

## CRUELTY AND LUST WEAPONS OF HUNS

Conquered Peoples Shamefully Treated for Advantage of the German State.

Prussian Officers Callously Tell How Starvation and Abuse Are Made to Serve Their Purpose—Captives Women Made Slaves.

"This I have seen. I could not believe it unless I had seen it through and through. For several weeks I lived with it; I went all about it and back of it; inside and out of it was shown to me—until finally I came to realize that the incredible was true. It is monstrous, it is unthinkable, but it exists. It is the Prussian system.—F. C. Walcott.

No more graphic description of the ravages of the German soldiery upon the civilian population of invaded countries has been given than is contained in the brief and simple statements of F. C. Walcott, now connected with the United States food administration, who was assistant to Mr. Hoover while America was feeding Belgium, Poland and northern France. In one of these statements Mr. Walcott says:

Even now I find it hard to describe in comprehensible terms the mind of official Germany, which dominates and shapes all German thought and action. Yet it is as hard, as clear-cut, as real as any material thing. I saw it in Poland, I heard of it in Serbia and Roumania. For weeks it was always before me, always the same. Officers talked freely, frankly, directly. All the staff officers have the same view.

Let me try to tell it, as General von Kries told me, in Poland, in the midst of a dying nation. Germany is destined to rule the world, or at least a great part of it. The German people are so much human material for building the German state, other people do not count. All is for the glory and might of the German state. The lives of human beings are to be conserved only if it makes for the state's advancement, their lives are to be sacrificed if it is to the state's advantage. The state is all, the people are nothing.

Conquered people signify little in the German account. Life, liberty, happiness, human sentiment, family ties, grace and generous impulse, these have no place beside the one concern, the greatness of the German state. Starvation must excite pity; sympathy must not be allowed. It has been the main design of promoting Germany's ends.

"Starvation is here," said General von Kries. "Candidly, we would like to see it relieved; we our soldiers may be unfavorably affected by the things that they see. But since it is here, starvation must serve our purpose. So we set it to work for Germany. By starvation we can accomplish in two or three years in East Poland more than we have in West Poland, which is East Prussia, in the last hundred years. With that in view, we propose to turn this force to our advantage.

"This country is meant for Germany," continued the keeper of starving Poland. "It is a rich alluvial country which Germany has needed for some generations. We propose to remove the able-bodied working Poles from this country. It leaves it open for the inflow of German working people as fast as we can spare them. They will occupy it and work it."

Then with a cunning smile, "Can't you see how it works out? By and by we shall give back freedom to Poland. When that happens Poland will appear automatically as a German province."

In Belgium, General von Bissing told me exactly the same thing. "If the relief of Belgium breaks down we can force the industrial population into Germany through starvation and colonize other Belgians in Mesopotamia where we have planned large irrigation works; Germans will then overrun Belgium. Then when the war is over and freedom is given back to Belgium, it will be a German Belgium that is restored. Belgium will be a German province and we have Antwerp—which is what we are after."

That is not all. Removing the men, that the land may be vacant for German occupation, that German stock may replace Belgians, Poles, Serbians, Armenians, and now Roumanians, Germany does more. Women left captive are enslaved. Germany makes all manner of lust its instrumentality.

The other day a friend of mine told me of a man just returned from northern France. "I cannot tell you the details," he said, "man to man, I don't want to repeat what I heard." Some of the things he did tell—shocking mutilation and moral murder. He told of women, by the score, in occupied territory of northern France, imprisoned in underground dungeons, tethered for the use of their bodies by officers and men.

If this is not a piece of the Prussian system, it is the logical product of disregard of the rights of others.

Germany has limited the amount that prisoners may spend to \$15 a week for officers and \$12.50 for privates.

## HEAVY WORK ON THE FIGHTING LINE



These powerful American artillerymen, with huge crowbars, are working fast to get their heavy gun into position to hurl its shells at the retreating Huns. It is a difficult job, for the earth is pitted with shell craters.

## AUGUST 24 SET FOR REGISTRATION OF BOYS

The following order was received Wednesday afternoon from Adjutant General Crowder, by the draft board at Pendleton, and sent out for publication over the county:

Men who have reached the age of 21 since June 5, 1918, on or before August 24, 1918, must register for military service on August 24, 1918.

This registration is not to be confused with the registration which is now pending before congress. This registration is ordered by proclamation of President Wilson.

Instead of having registration districts in the county as in previous registrations, all men will be required to register at the court house in Pendleton on August 24, 1918.

The draft board is also in receipt of instructions from the adjutant general that the board will be called upon to fill vacancies caused in drafts from the county by rejection of men sent for the various drafts. About 20 men will be required for this purpose.

## FIRST OF TROOP D GIVES LIFE ON WEST FRONT

The East Oregonian reports that Benjamin Ray Carlson is the first member of Troop D that left Umatilla county last year to be reported in the casualty lists. A letter received by the First National Bank of Pendleton from the Grundy Center National Bank Grundy Center, Iowa, tells the news of his being killed in action in France July 16. His mother who lives at that place desires to learn something of his effects that may have been left in Pendleton, also any friends he may have had there.

It has been learned that Carlson left a trunk and suit case with Penland brothers and beyond this very little can be learned about him. He is said to have been quite friendly with H. F. Stoner, one of Troop D, and it is thought he is a young man who worked as a barber at the Eagle Baths on Main street in Pendleton.

## Plenty of Yarn.

According to Secretary Roosevelt of the Umatilla County Red Cross, the announcement by the War Industries board that hand knitting is to be checked in order to save wool for army clothing, will not affect his organization for some time. The chapter has about \$2000, worth of wool on hand, which will last for some time.

## TUM-A-LUM COMPANY ADOPTS TRADE ACCEPTANCE FEATURE

The manager of the Tum A-Lum Lumber Company, in discussing the Trade Acceptance feature now being generally adopted by lumber companies, said:

"The Trade Acceptance, although used for many years in the leading European countries, has only recently been introduced in this country. Its use, however, is being rapidly employed by business houses engaged in various lines of industry throughout the country, who have no hesitancy in adopting it because it has the approval of the Federal Reserve Board, the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, the National Association of Credit Men, the American Bankers' Association and others.

"We consider the placing of business on the Trade Acceptance basis a patriotic duty. In this present critical time of our country's existence, the call comes to each of us to do 'his bit.' Placing our accounts on a solid banking basis is a step in the right direction. The Trade Acceptance, while developing advantages to both buyer and seller, offers a means to that end."

## Summoned for August.

Calls for 130,207 draft registrants qualified for general military service to join the colors before the end of August were issued this week by the Provost Marshal-General. One hundred thousand white registrants from 43 states are ordered entrained between August 23 and August 30. Twenty-one States and the District of Columbia are directed to furnish 30,207 negro registrants, to entrain August 23-24. These orders bring the number of men called out in August to about 300,000, the number contemplated in the present military programme. Oregon must have 1000 men in this draft. Fifty men have been called from Umatilla county, to report at Pendleton August 24 and will entrain for Camp Lewis August 27th. Those who will report from Athena are: Jesse Myrick and Charles Payne.

## Tractor Demonstration.

A great tractor and implement demonstration will take place at Portland September 5, 6 and 7, at which time will be seen in actual operation practically every tractor manufactured or sold on the Pacific Coast. The demonstration will be held under the supervision of the Portland Implement and Tractor Association, and is sanctioned by the Oregon Agricultural College.

## AN OPEN SEASON ON PHEASANTS

The State Game and Fish Commission has designated September 1st to 7th inclusive as open season for shooting male China pheasants in Umatilla county. Permits will be given those holding hunting licenses to kill five birds during the period of the seven day season, five male birds being the limit for any one person.

The open season was declared by the commission upon complaints that the birds were doing damage to crops and truck gardens in localities such as Milton-Freewater, Hermiston and other places. In view of the fact that in the grain districts, where the birds do not damage crops, and where there is a difference of opinion whether the birds should be hunted, Game Warden Tonkin, who was in the city Wednesday, advises that it will be well for hunters to first secure permission of the landowner before entering upon premises to hunt pheasants.

By doing this, the hunter would be conforming to the provisions of the law, and the owner, if he did not want the pheasants on his land disturbed, could have the opportunity to refuse permission to allow hunting on his premises.

The warden cautions hunters to be especially careful in obeying the provisions of the law which prohibits shooting from railway rights-of-way and the public highway. So, if you want to kill your five male pheasants during the first seven days of September, be sure you have your hunting license, secure a permit from Foss' Hardware, get permission of a farmer friend to hunt on his land, and be safe from trouble by not shooting from public highway or right of way.

## Nurses Reserve Filled.

The full quota for the student nurses reserve, allotted to Umatilla county, has been filled, Athena furnishing two of the applicants, Miss Georgia Hewett and Miss Josephine Clarke. Weston also gives two, being Mrs. Gladys McFadden, wife of Lieutenant C. L. McFadden, now in France, and Miss Gladys Smith, formerly an Athena girl. The names of those who signed up are given as follows: Miss Edna Clark of Pendleton, Miss Laura Franz of Hermiston, Miss Nina Fender of Pendleton, Miss Georgia Hewett of Athena, Leon Budswell of Milton, Miss Josephine Clarke of Athena, Miss Florence Guideran of Pilot Rock, all in the preferred class; Mrs. Rena Adams of Pendleton, Miss Adelaide Johnson of Hermiston, Mrs. Gladys McFadden of Weston, Miss Gladys Smith of Weston, Miss Louise Cahill of Pendleton, in the deferred class.

## Stockman Found Dead.

Walter S. Brockman, a well known stockman of Wallowa county, was found dead last Monday at the bottom of a canyon alongside a trail, by the children of Gus Stumbaugh, who were returning from school. They first noticed a dead pack mule lying in the canyon, and going down to it, found the corpse of Brockman. Just how the man and pack animal fell off the trail into the canyon below has not been decided.

## Vernon at Round-Up.

Buffalo Vernon has notified the Round-Up officials that he will be on hand next month to take part in the big wild-west exhibition. He is now at Ronan, Mont., and will ship a newly purchased roping horse which he touts as being the best he ever bestrode. Vernon has long been popular with Round-Up crowds and was the first man to bulldog a steer in the Pendleton arena.

## Fall Domestic

Now is the time to lay in your Fall Domestic 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.

Hope Muslin	23c	Pepperel 9-4 bleached Sheeting	52c	White and dark outing flannel	25c
Lonsdale Muslin	28c	Foxcroft 9-4 unbleached	49c	25 inch canton flannel	25c-30c
Fruit of Loom Muslin	28c	Eagle Ticking	41c	Pequot pillow cases pr.	39c
Berkley Cambric 60	27 1-2c	Berlin Art Ticking	45c	Acorn pillow cases pr.	41c
Berkley Cambric 100	32 1-2c	Pequot 42-inch Tubing	45c	Saranac pillow cases pr.	38c
Texas house lining	9c	Pequot 45-inch Tubing	45c	Turkish Towels, 2-19, 2-25, 2-30,	
Polo unbleached Muslin	12 1-2c	Indian Head 40-inch Tubing	35c	2-19, 2-29	
Our Brand unbleached Muslin	15c	Imperial 45-inch Tubing	28c		

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