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LETTERS FROM OUR LADS "OVER THERE" "Somewhere in France, Aug. 12, '18, "My dear Mother: I received a letter from you yesterday, also some pictures of the gang. They sure looked good. Windy and Harry Keller and the whole

bunch looked at them and the roses in the picture reminded us of good old Oregon, so we ended the evening by talking old times over. "The Yanks and the French sure put

"The Yanks and the French sure put on some big abow on this front. We had the Boche going so fast one time that they could not catch up with them with cavalry and armored cars. Well, they have finally stopped but we are hammering the devil out of them day and night. Believe me, there is a bunch of those Huns that will never get back to their Father-land. This will be all the war news as it will be stale when it gets there. The Boche has tried to get even with us for giving them the trouble we have, but (Censored.) "But that is all the casualties we

but that is all the casualities we suffered in this show. It sure was too bad, but it's all in the game. Well, this will show you that it's not half as bad as some people would make you believe it is. We are sure that every man they get from us, we get ten of these Huma those Huns. "I have a trip coming up, going

"I have a trip coming up, going after a motorcycle. Some more of the boys are going along, and we will ride them back. I hope they will be Harleys. It sure will feel like home to ride one again. I got the smokes o. k., also the song. Tell Mrs. Badde-ley I thank her very much for it. Corp. E. F. Sebasky, Bat. D., 148 F. A.

Letter From Harry Keller. Harry Keller writes interestingly to his mother, Mrs. D. B. Banister, and his sister, Mrs. Jesse Myrick, from both letters of which we excerpt the

"France, Aug 9, '18

every other day, so you see one has n't much time to write. Have plenty of time now though, am back to a rest camp for a week or two. Had a rest camp for a week or two. Had a touch of the grip and was sent back to our battery rest camp about twelve miles back of the lines. We are in a small town about the size of Adams. It has been shelled and there ian't much left of it. There are a few good buildings left and Ed. and myself hap-pened to get one room with a good apring bed, stove, cooking outfit and all furnished. We are living pretty high now. We are close to a Y. M C. A. and can buy all the canned fruit, cendy, jam, gum. cigars and cigarettes

C. A. and can buy all the canned fruit, cendy, jam, gum. cigars and cigarettes we want. There is plenty of garden truck here, just got through picking some string beans for dinner. Am going to make a rhubarb pie this afternoon. Had hot cakes for breakfast, so you see I haven't forgotten all I learned from Mother about cook-

There are large grain fields, and a good many of them are destroyed, and the gardens and woods too. "Well, I have seen about all the war I care to see and am ready to come home any time; but of course "we won't come home till it's over, over here," hoping it won't be long, an everybody hopes and thinks.

Harry E. Keller, Bat. D, 148 F. A.

"Windy" Has Music With Meals. The following letter was received by Marshal Dobson this week:

Marshal Dobson this week: "Ordnance Corps, 148th F. A., Front, August, 10th, 1918, "Dear Bill: Received your letter some time back, but have been so busy that I was lucky if I got time to sleep, let alone to write letters, no matter how bad I wanted to. We have been on the front for quite a spell and sure have her ne giving the Roche and sure have been giving the Boche hell, as you no doubt have seen in the papers. And they tell about all that is to be told; in fact, if we wrote some of the things they do, it would never get by the censor. I like it fine here, but of course it is not a very easy life to live, for we never know one hour where we will be the next, no matter whether it is night or day. But there is something about it that one likes-I guess it is the thrills and narrow es-

capes that one goes through. "In my line of work in this war game, I am on the road most of the time both night and day, as I have to visit each gun every morning and get them the things they need during the

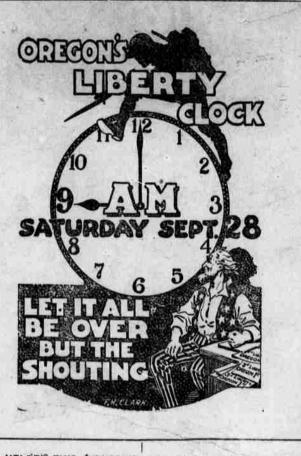
rest of the day and night. How would you like to be riding along in your jit-

you like to be riding along in your jit-ney and all at once a big shell would put a hole in front of you-that would hold your jit and two more like it? I tell you Bill, you would put on the brake faster than you ever did in your life, for nine chances out of ten, the next one would light about ten feet in front of that one. The Boche also like to fly low and sweep the road with their machine-guns, and then you would see how fast it would run, in-stead of how fast you can stop. These are the things I guess that ma'te one like the life here. It is the game of meeing how close you can come to death

like the life here. It is the game of seeing how close you can come to death and still miss it. We also have music with our meals. It is not the kind one gets at a hotel in New York but is more fascinating. At least, we here at the front think so; it is the air fight. We will be eating, when all at one medice must be to having a "I have been too busy to write. In fact, we move to a new position about fight. We will be eating, when all at once machine guns will go to barking and we will grab our rifles or machine guns, (as most of the boys have them, having picked them up from the bat-tlefield) and cut loose at Mister Hun. He sometimes gets away, but other times he will hit the ground, and then we enjoy our dinner all the more. "You talk of one having to be a good driver in the city—the front has the citics skinned so fir for traffic that they are not in it. I have passed con-voys that were twenty miles long.

voys that were twenty miles long. They give a driver one minute to fix his car if it goes bad, and if not fixed then it is dumped to one side. I have had no accidents, outside of hitting a Frog or so and bumping a car now and then. Bill, I could write all day, but have to get busy. Tell the boys hell-o for me. Geo. (Windy) Winship, Chief Ordnance Sergeant.

all I learned from Mother about cook-ing, and it comes in pretty handy here, too. I am heating water to wash my rags now. Windy came up from his office and is reading some papers that Ed. got from home. He is just read-ing the write-up they gave Claude Sanders. Some 'Longfellow.' Will give you the bill of fare for dinner: Conside manhead for the war than credit. The Government often has to borrow immore sume temporarile and the immore sume temporarile and the immore sume temporarile and the had he received a purely business let-ter from a small granddaughter. The letter was sent by his granddaughter. Evelyn Hahn, who formerly lived in positors that nothing is more vital to the winning of the war than credit. Canned peaches, hot cocoa, French fried potatoes, string beans; and Ed. immense sums, temporarily, and the banks must stand ready at all times is reading some steak from the cook now-and, I almost forgot-bread. 1 The ability of the banks to lend is not have had light bread most every meal since I have been in the army. We unlimited. It is just as necessary for since I have been in the army. We can't have this kind of eats forever, just while we are in a place like them to conserve their lending power as it is to conserve coal, food, stoel and other commodities for which the war brings abnormal demands. Those this; but we have pretty good eats who are producing, manufacturing, or distributing things needed to prosecute most of the time. "When 1 left the guns the shells were falling pretty thick around, but the war or maintain the health and efficiency of the civilian population, will be able to obtain the credit to which their needs and their standing which the done any damage yet. I have seen a good many sights worth seeing. We have had only one casualty so far, We have had only one challed so far, and the day I left the guns the Boche ground with airplanes and swept the ground with machine-guns. We all got under cover except those who were firing at the planes. A bullet from one of the machine-guns of the Boche truck can be dear hows in the top of the entitle them; but new loans will rare-ly be justified unless they are to aid directly in the prosecution of the war, and every bank has been asked by the Government to request all its borrow-ers to keep their demands for credit struck one of our boys in the top of the shoulder and came out under the shoullown to the very minim 1m.



WAR HELPED ZINC INDUSTRY SLOUCH HAT OUT OF FAVOR

Remarkable Impetus Given to the Mining and Refining of the Mineral in Japan.

The high-water mark in the devel-

opment of zinc mining and refining in Japan has been reached since the out-

break of the present war. Zince the out-break of the present war. Zince was first mined in a commercial way in 1807, but even as late at 1911 the out-put was still only about 10,000 tons. The refining of the ores was not start-ed on a large scale until 1014. The right mutations of the metal in ref.

rising quotations of the metal in all markets gave the industry great im-

petus in Japan, so that in 1915 21,000 tons of refined goods and in 1916 45,-

000 tons were produced. It is esti-mated that the production in 1917 to-

taled some 65,000 tons. It is said that the refineries can produce as

high as 100,000 tons a year, but as this takes some 250,000 tons of zinc

ore the problem before Japan is to obtain 200,000 tons of ore in foreign

markets, as only 50,000 tons are mined in Japan. In the past Japan has bought

ore from Chins, Australia and Russia, the greater part of the ore, however,

coming from Australia. It has been reported that Great Britain plans a re-

finery in Australia in order to produce

zinc in that portion of her empire. If

true, this, it is said, may force Japan to seek her raw material in some other

Not for Me, but of Me. Moses Selig has been in business for

long time but never until recently

market.

Picturesque Headgear No Longer Worn by American Soldiers on the Fighting Fronts.

> The slouch hat has for many years been regarded in Europe as distinctively American, although for as many years it has been no more commonl worn in the United States than in the British isles, and over a considerable part of the continent. Nevertheless, the typical American is almost invari-ably pictured in a soft hat, and the soft felts worn by the soldlers of the American expeditionary forces to France helped to sustain the tradition. In the Civil war the soldiers of the North wore caps. Soft felts were chosen for soldiers operating against the Indians on the plains because they were supposed to afford greater protection than caps from the glare. They be-came a regulation head covering for the army in the Spanish-American war, the army in the Spanish-American war, and, because they matched the khaki uniform, they have been in use ever since. Now, however, General Per-shing is said to have decided that these hats must be discarded in favor of brimless and peakless caps, and the reason for the proposed change is characteristic of the period that has introduced into war so many innova-tions. The rim of the soft felt hat throws a shadow on the periscope used in the trenches so as to interfere with sighting by the wearer; also, when worn by tall men, the crown may be seen above the parapets by the enmy; also, a gas mask can be adjusted much more quickly over a brimless and peakless cap.

Now Has Third Officer Husband.

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Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hansell and Alfred R. Price lost their lives in an automobile wreck at Rosalia. Wash, Tuesday afternoon, when the Overland car, driven by Mr. Hansell, plunged over an embankment after

plunged over an embankment after crossing a bridge. The report given the Lewiston Tribune by its Rosalia correspondent says that Mr. Price was thrown clear of the car, but was badly crusbed. He passed away without regaining consciousness shortly after he had been taken to Rosalia. Mr. and Mrs. Hansell Mrs. Price and the two lifts. been taken to Rosalin. Mr. and Mrs. Hansell, Mrs. Price and the two little granddaughters were caught beneath the car. The little girls escaped in-jury. Mrs. Price was painfully bruis-ed and one of her hips is fractured. Mrs. Hansell was dead when taken from beneath the car, and Mr. Han-sell died within a few minutes after heing littled from the wreckage. being lifted from the wreckage. The bridge where the accident oc-

ured, forms a part of a reverse curve and is entered by a sharp turn to the right, and a turn to the left is encoun-tered immediately after the bridge is crossed. The car went over the grade on the right hand side after across the bridge and had a sheer drop of about 15 feet.

The cause of the accident as given by Marion Hansell, who telephoned the Press from Colfax, was due to strips of planking laid lengthwise on the bridge floor and placed there to accommodate passage of large traction ngines. This planking-which since the accident has been removed-was two inches or more higher than the bridge floor, and a number of minor accidents had before happened there. by cars swerving after the wheels came in contact with the edges of the planking.

The Hansell car went over the grade about two and one-half car-lengths after leaving the bridge, and the course of the tracks indicated that the lanking had put the car out of control of the driver. Marion Hensell left for the scene of

the accident on Wednesday morning's train, being met at Colfax by his brother Blaine, who came from Lew-

The little girls were taken back to Lewiston and Mrs. Price is at Rosalia,

under a doctor's care. The three bodies will arrive in Athena on this afternoon's train. Fun-eral services will be held at the Christian church, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Interment [for Mr. and Mrs. Hansell will be in the family lot at Athena cemetery, and Mr. Price will be interred at Kees cemetery. The terrible accident threw a veil

of sorrow, over Athena and vicinity, where all three victims had resided for many years, each having filled a niche in the early development of the comin the early development of the com-munity. Though they had departed to make homes elsewhere, each one left with their many friends here an indelible imbression deepened by many generous, neighborly ministrations. At the time of the accident, Mr. and Mr. Hansell and Mr. accident, Mr. and

Mrs. Hansell and Mr. and Mrs. Price, Mrs. Price being the mother of Mrs. Hansell, were on a visiting trip. They were to first stop at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howell, near Rosalia. From there they anticipated going to visit relatives at Wenatchee, after which they were coming to Athena to spend a portion of next week with relatives.

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all right. From every city and town in Oregon delegates representing the Y. M. C. A., Knights of Columbus, Y. W. C. "Will be glad when I get to feeling better so I can go back to the gun for I like the excitement. It gets pretty hot at times, but we make it a-sight A., Camp Community Service, Jewish Welfare Board, Salvation Army and hot at times, but we make it a -- sight hotter for them, the way they have been retreating. The large battle that is being fought now, we hope will lead to success. They took moving pictures of our regiment the other day, so you may see them in the States. Just look for 148th regiment. American Library Association will be in Portland Monday, September 16, to help lay plans for raising \$170,-500,000 next November for war relief work throughout the world. All the in-terests of these allied organizations have been combined at the request of

President Wilson in order that there "By the looks of things, we will might be but one drive for funds, thus have to give our bungalow up; for 1 see several uld French women moving saving considerable in manpower, and obviating the necessity of going twice to the people for the same purpose this year.

back to town today and they will prob-ably want their houses. They follow up a few miles behind the lines. This ground was taken by the Germans early this Spring and the French were run out, so as fast as we take a town back from the Germany the old upmen the Umatilla County Quota, While there is no definite informaout, so as fast as we take a town back from the Germans, the old women try to see which can be the first there; and we are taking the towns back pretty fast. This is a very pretty country. There are hundreds of acres of wheat going to waste. The people that own it may ave part of it if they get moved back in time and they sure are moving, hack as fast as they can tion at this time as to the exact size of the Fourth Liberty Loan, John Etheridge, state director of organiz-ation, has advised W. L. Thompson, Umatilia County chairman, that upon the assumption that the National loan the assumption that the National ioan will be six billions, Urmatilla county's quota will be \$2,141,173, and upon the same basis Oregon's quota will be \$ 35,494,928. No attempt will be made to distribute the County's quota over the various districts until definite information is received.

are moved back in time and they sure are moving back as fast as they can. "I would like to tell you about some of the eights we see, but I guess there will be plenty of time after I get back

will say-there are many losses on both sides, but our boys are doing wonderful work. This battle field is sure a pretty country. It is in the mountains, but not like our mountains. George Banister writes from the U.S. Naval station, detention camp, Seattle, for the Press to be sent him

Indianapolis, and was as follows: "Dearest Grandpa: This is a business note. . . . I am selling Thrift Stamps and War Savings Stamps. Please buy of me, not for me, and help me'to receive a position in the army of thrift workers. Send me a check if you will, payable to cash, and I will ad you the stamps. You will oblige and help me very much. Much love. "EVELYN."

It is needless to say that Mr. Sellg regarded this as one of the most important business notes he ever recelved .- Indianapolis News.

To have lost two husbands and married a third during the war has been the experience of Lady Michael Wardell, one of London's recent brides, She is a daughter of Sir Daniel Cooper, an Australian millionnire. She married first the late Viscount Northland, who lost his life in active service in 1915, and left a will in which he expressed the hope that his widow would marry again. She fulfilled his hope when she was married to Capt. Geoffrey Mills. who was killed a year ago. Her third husband is also a British officer.

Rev. Walter S. Gleiser, for the past two years paster of the Methodist church in Athena, has accepted a call from Echo, and with his estimable wife leaves for there ne: (week. Rev. W. A. Pratt will succeed Mr. Gleiser here, and will immediately assume his duties as pastor here.



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