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A meeting of the Home Guard will be held Saturday evening at which time the organization will either be perfected or the matter given up entirely. Although a great many men over draft age acknowledge that such an organization is needed and would be of much benefit to the community, they have so far failed to be present at any of the meetings.

About twenty, mostly boys between 15 and 18 years of age, stand ready to enroll if an equal number of men will do likewise. This course we believe necessary for it will take the older heads to enforce discipline.

If you, dear reader, believe that the boys in the trenches should be backed by a force of drilled men at home, show your colors by coming out Saturday evening and enlisting in the Home Guard.

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### Bring's Bride From Illinois

Mr. H. L. Zeigler was married to Miss Pearl Stone at Cartersville, Ill., on Thursday, February 7th, and arrived in the Valley on Wednesday evening of last week. They will make their home on Mr. Zeigler's ranch north of Richland.

While we think Louie treated us rather mean by not putting us wise to the event in time for our last issue, we've concluded to forgive him, and join the many friends in wishing the happy couple much joy and prosperity.

### Call for Bids.

Bids will be received by the undersigned for cleaning the Waterbury & Allen Ditch from end to end; said bids will be opened Monday, February 25th, and contract awarded. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

M. A. Bennett, Sec'y,  
ad-1t) Richland, Oregon.

### Card of Thanks.

To the kind hearted people who so willingly gave assistance during the last hours of our beloved daughter Lavelle, and also at the funeral, we desire to express our sincere thanks and appreciation.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Augustus.

## BUY WAR STAMPS NOW

The organization for the promotion and sale Thrift and War Savings Stamps for Baker county is completed, John F. Herr and J. C. Bowen being chosen to have charge of this district.

Baker county's quota is \$397,720, which means that nearly \$20 worth of stamps must be purchased before Dec. 31, 1918, by every man, woman and child in the county if we are to do our share.

Needless to say, we are not going to fail, but now is the time to begin. Start some definite method, such as setting aside 10c per day or buying at least three Thrift stamps each week.

When our fathers and sons and brothers were called by our country to take up arms in her defense, you did not hear an individual soldier refuse to serve because his service alone would not win the war. Each man was ready to do his part. The great army thus formed is going forward to face the fire of battle and to risk everything for the safety and security of our homes and our families, and for the very existence of our country.

These are the men for whom you are asked to save and lend your dollars. A country worth fighting for is worth saving for.

To save money is to save life. Begin today. Buy at least a Thrift Stamp at once.

### Writes From Hospital

San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 5, '18.

Dear Sir: I will try and write you a line or two to let you know that I am still alive but still in the hospital. I've been in here 147 days all told since the 27th day of August, and, gee, how lonesome it is. I love to soldier, but believe me, I don't like to put my whole hitch in a hospital; I would like to get to cross the pond and see some action sometime between now and July 1st. When I left home I thought I would be in France in six months, and here it is nine months. I would have been in foreign service now if I had not had to come to the hospital, for I was on my way to Honolulu when I got hurt.

They speak of California as such a swell state; I would not trade little old Eagle Valley for the whole state. Well, as it is getting along toward mess time, I will have to ring off for this time. Hoping you are all well at home; I remain, yours truly,

Wm. E. Wright,  
L. G. Hospital, Ward 7,  
Presidio San Francisco, Calif.

P.S. I wish to thank the ladies for the Xmas box which I received O. K.; it was very nice. I also wish to thank mother and Ethel for having the News sent to me; if I ever go to France I want the paper to follow me. W. E. W.

## OVER THE TOP AGAIN

When it comes "hustling" of any sort, but especially in raising cash, we'll back the girls of the Eagle Valley High School against any other in the state.

Having been requested by the county chairman to raise \$50 in this district for the Y. W. C. A., on Monday morning we asked Mr. Ashcraft and Miss Ralston to allow the girls of the high school to do the soliciting. They gave their consent and by 10 o'clock volunteer workers were in every section of the Valley, with the result that the sum of \$119.83 was on Wednesday morning mailed to Miss Susan W. Moore, the County Chairman.

The Young Women's Christian Association is doing a grand work and we believe is entitled to more support than has been accorded them in the past, and it gives us great pleasure to announce that Eagle Valley has "gone over the top" for such a worthy cause.

### A Letter From Corp. Barrows

Camp Custer, Mich., Feb. 7, '18.  
Mrs. Chas. Elliott,  
Richland, Ore.

I received your letter, also the Sox, and must say I was very much pleased. Sox is one thing we can't get too many of.

We have been having a pretty cold winter here—colder than usual. Sixteen days last month below zero, and the average was eight above, so you can see it wasn't very tropical. Frozen ears and noses were not uncommon. On the 12th we had one of the worst storms you ever saw; you know how the wind blows in the Grand Ronde Valley—well it was blowing just about that way here and the thermometer registered 30 below. That was the coldest it got so far. It was 27 below day before yesterday, but is warmer today. We never suffered much from the cold, for we have good warm barracks, steam heated, and never had to be out but very little.

I'm in charge of quarters today, the other boys are out drilling in front of the barracks; I can hear them giving commands and it is great to watch the other fellow drill. Although the snow is 18 inches deep on the level, the drill ground is bare—we keep the snow shoveled off.

I like this country pretty well. We are located about 5 miles from Battle Creek and about 15 miles from Kalamazoo. I have never been to K. but go to Battle Creek about twice a week.

I don't know how much longer we will be here; it don't look like we were going to leave for six months. We haven't got more than a third of our battery but expect a lot more soon.

You will notice I am using the Y. M. C. A. paper. They are doing a great work, and the soldiers enjoy and appreciate what they are doing for them.

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am feeling fine and that the army life seems to agree with me as I weigh more than I ever did and haven't been on sick call but two or three times since I enlisted—almost eight months ago.

Corp. C. A. Barrows,  
Battery C 329 F. A.,  
Camp Custer, Mich.

Shortly after noon yesterday Mrs. Carl Mason chanced to look out of the window of her home and noticed smoke coming from Wright Chandler's barn, her son Floyd run over and found the fire to be in a pile of straw which was on the floor at the south side of the building. With the help of Mrs. Mason and Miss Ethel Chandler the blaze was extinguished before damage was done. No one was at home at the Chandler residence but Miss Ethel and no person had been seen near the barn, so the origin of the fire is mysterious.

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