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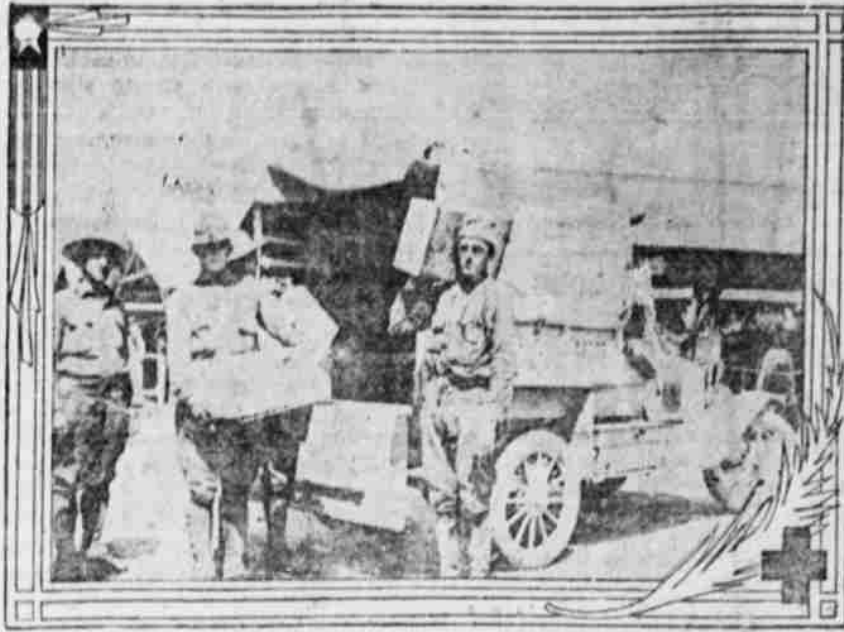


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starving, sick and homeless that our humanity does not depend upon the excitement of war, but that neighborliness is just as strong in us in times of peace. A unanimous response will hearten the whole world.

Soldiers March in Hip Boots.

Somewhere in France, Oct. 22. Mr. C. E. Thorp:

I was truly glad to get the News giving the names of the home boys in service, for I had been wondering for some time if my old regiment was over here but see by the addresses that it is. I had also been wondering what Battery Jesse Buxton was in; I knew he was over here and that he was in the 6th F. A., but that was all I knew until I got the paper. There sure is a lot of E. V. boys now in the service, isn't there.

It rains about every day and all the dismounted men and non-commissioned officers are furnished with high-topped rubber boots; the drivers have none. We were hiking for ten days and it rained every day with the exception of two. We saw some very nice country and some that was not so nice.

Most French villages are not very clean on account of the people using one end of their houses for barns for their stock.

Give my regards to everyone. Corp. Carl A. Barrows, Batt. C, 329 F. A., American Exp. Forces, France

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A Compliment.

The December 5th issue of "Trench and Camp," published at Camp Meade, Md., contains the following compliment to the 63rd Infantry, in which Roy Bodan, Fred Masterson, Roscoe Gordon, Jay Schultz and James Macy are serving:

"Brig. Gen. Reynolds Burt has been ordered to place at the disposal of the commander of the Eastern Department the 63rd Infantry, now headed by Colonel Croxton.

"This regiment, which came here from the Presidio at San Francisco in August, is one of the finest organizations in the whole Army and the men are prepared for any service. It is not unlikely that they will be sent to New York.

"Those who are familiar with the regiment know the character of the men of the 63rd. They are exceptionally large fellows, mostly from Oregon, California and Montana, and they wanted especially to be sent to the firing line. Their officers had explicit confidence in their ability to whip the huns."

Celebrates in France.

France, Nov. 11, 1918.

As I have not written since I landed here, will let you know I am well and happy; especially tonight. Everything seems favorable for peace. Today the bells were ringing and the French flag flying everywhere with Old Glory waving above them all.

I am having a good time here; but France don't look nothing like the States to me. I'm working in a saw mill making lumber.

Pvt. James A. Shoemaker, Headqtrs. Co., 48th Art., C. A. C. American E. F., via New York.

All Xmas toys at greatly reduced prices at Kendall's.—ad
Pop corn and peanuts to order for Christmas at Frank Clarke's.

FORMER RESIDENT DIES SCHOOLS CLOSE AGAIN

Wm. Edward Devore died at his home in Globe, Arizona, on Tuesday, December 10, 1918, aged 33 years and 9 months. His death was the result of influenza.

The deceased was a former resident of Eagle Valley, having resided here for about ten years previous to his leaving this section three years ago. He leaves a wife and one child at Globe, Ariz.; a father and mother at Union, also one sister and six brothers, viz.: Mrs. Carl Mason of Richland; Arthur E., with the Am. E. F. in France; Clarence L., in U. S. service at San Antonio, Texas; James F. and Charles O. of Union; J. Bert of Cove, and M. Ray of North Powder.

Silence Was Grand.

November 12th, 1918.

"It is some pleasure now to write for it is a plum good war now. They can talk about music and nice sounds, but in my opinion the nicest sound in the world was the complete silence at 11 o'clock yesterday. It seemed to make the crankiest men in the army good natured. I am too ornery to write much, so you will have to tell everybody hello for me and that I am feeling fine and am in a good outfit."

Pvt. Claude R. Decker,
Co. H, 110 Inf., Am. E. F.

Ranches Near Robinette Bring Good Prices.

Mr. C. A. Carothers has sold his ranch, stock, machinery and household goods to his son, Ralph, consideration \$17,000. Possession will be given after shearing time next spring, when Mr. and Mrs. Carothers will move near Portland, where a brother and other relatives of Mr. Carothers' reside.

Keith Allen has purchased the Ralph Carothers ranch on Powder River and has moved thereto. The price paid was \$2000. Tom Houston has bought Mr. Allen's house in Robinette for \$350.

Has Been Through Battle.

France, Oct. 25, 1918.

I have not had time to write lately, but as we are out now on a few days' rest, I will do so. We have been in a battle; went over the top in the big drive but I came out fine and dandy.

Pvt. Claud L. Duke,
Co. D, 361 Inf., 91st Division,
American E. F., France.

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The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Thompson died at Sparta yesterday.

That there were several cases of influenza in the valley was generally known, but not until one scholar was taken down with the disease immediately after arriving home from school on Tuesday evening, was public interest aroused sufficient to take action.

A joint meeting of the town council, school directors, and citizens was held last evening and the matter of closing discussed at length. It was decided to close the schools for the balance of the week at least, but if no new cases developed in the meantime to re-open them Monday. The council placed a ban on all public gatherings, entertainments, etc., and crowds on streets or in buildings. The marshal will enforce these provisions.

All citizens of the Valley are urged to do their utmost to prevent further spread of the disease. As a means to this end, keep the children at home as much as possible, avoid dances and all entertainments, keep the home well ventilated and fumigated, and take every precaution to avoid colds.

It is planned to secure authority from the state to enforce a strict quarantine on all cases that may appear in the valley in the future.

Getting Along Fine in France.

From a series of letters written by Ferman C. Davis, we take the following:

Oct. 22. "I was in school the same time Tracy and Roy were, but did not take the same course. I had a six-year course in a little over a month. I am sorry but I cannot answer your questions as to what I am doing or have done. I am a cannonier now and that is all I can tell you."

Oct. 27. "We have moved quite a distance from where we were stationed, and like it much better as there isn't so much mud and the quarters are better. I just received a copy of the E. V. News this morning, so I know all the home happenings of a couple of months ago. Thorp sure had a convincing wrapper around it; just step in and thank him for me and the rest of the boys."

Nov. 3. "We are pretty busy now; are having good weather, days are warm and the nights clear and cold. The country around here is very much like the Lookout country, right in the tops of the mountains, and is a pretty place. Most of the country is covered with timber and brush; mostly oak and hazelnut. It is surprising that there is so much uncultivated land here—more, it seems to me, than there is in our own western states. There is only about one-half as much stock here as the country could support; I have noticed this over all of France I have seen, and I think I have seen the largest half."

Nov. 7. "I just received your

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