

Pocket Gophers.

A fund of interesting information on the life history and control of the pocket gopher in the Willamette Valley is given in a new experiment station bulletin just issued by the Oregon Agricultural College for free distribution. How the little pest builds his home, rears his family, forages and feeds, and can be poisoned and trapped by taking advantage of his habits, was discovered by the author, Howard M. Wight, now at the late battle front. The bulletin reads like a story book in the descriptive parts. Send for a free copy.

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U. S. S. Lake Harris,
France, Oct. 30, 1918.

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I feel somewhat uncertain as to how I shall write this letter, but I do know why I should. Through your goodness and that of the American Red Cross I have come into possession of a sweater that bears your name. I wish to thank you personally for this article. And while on this subject of sweaters and articles to keep one warm I am reminded: There is an epidemic of Spanish influenza in and about the places that we work. A number of ships are quarantined in the Gironde river; one Japanese steamer with a crew of 70, has 60 down; an American ship had 8 die. This last case touches me deeply, as I was acquainted with the captain, who was a victim. So far our ship is immune, we doing everything to keep the men in good health. To that end I have obtained of the Red Cross sweaters, socks and helmets for all the men on this ship who might have been in need of them. The men are grateful.

But everything is not gloom. We have our joyful moments. The Y. M. C. A. gave the ship a phonograph, records and books. On shore they entertain us in their tents.

In conclusion, we are indebted to a magnanimous people. Truly the United States is a great institution and one does not begin to realize it until he has witnessed, as I have, what is being done over here.

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