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LETTERS FROM OUR BOYS

Everybody is Anxious to Hear From the Boys, and They are All Glad to Receive Letters From Their Friends

Do you realize what an important part you are playing in the great war when you spend a few minutes each week in writing a letter to some of our boys overseas? Perhaps a letter from you will put new life into some boy who has a case of the "blues," even though you were only slightly acquainted with him when he was "back home." Write to some one of our boys every week. They will greatly appreciate it, and your reward will more than pay for the time spent.

The following has been handed us for publication this week: Somewhere in France

Dear Mother and All: I received a letter from home yesterday and was very glad, but it was so short, so take a "tip" from me that a long letter is preferred.

I am feeling just fine and the weather is just right—always cool. I have never seen a real hot day. We are quartered in "barracks," and never get cold; only one bad feature about them, and that is there are not any windows—I guess the people never liked lots of sunshine.

This place is as old-fashioned as can be; the people milk goats—of course some cows also, and either a pig or a young pig, and around the pastures all day like they did about 1000 years ago. Indeed, America is superior to these old countries in every respect, that I have seen so far. In some places they have cows in the houses, or in a room next door to their living room, and wish old Mr. Hawkins could "inspect" out here. He would have some job on his hands.

You never see a pump—all old windlasses; no automobiles; one-horse carts. All the harvest is hauled on those two-wheeled carts, and if it is too heavy they hitch another horse ahead of the one in the shafts—some system, I'll say.

I am certainly surprised to see the grass and leaves so green out here. In Michigan it would be a mass of brown. It has rained here quite frequently, but it never thunders or lightens. I don't understand how the people live out here; you never see any great amount of work going on, and they haven't any modern machinery to do anything with.

I went to our headquarters last week and had an examination, which proved satisfactory, and now I am recommended to attend an officers' training school. I will leave here very soon, but upon arrival at the new place I'll write and give you the address, and by all means write to me real-often. I received the Enterprise at the same time your letter came.

By the time you receive this letter it will probably be quite cold at home, but where I am now it is never cold. Last year they had about three inches of snow; so I am in a warm climate. I have certainly got to do a lot of studying from now on if I want to make good. I shall endeavor to do so. Even though I fail it will be a great help to me.

Well I don't know of much more to write, as news is a scarce thing around here. We had a nice game of base ball yesterday. We played against the other company that is quartered in the same town, and we won the game. I caught for our team.

I have been studying French lately, and can speak it a little; also understand more; the hardest feature about it is the pronunciation.

I read about Mr. Manzel being dead—can't "buzz" word for him any more.

I am in the best of health and in no danger, so don't worry. Don't think this cruel war will last much longer. Hoping this finds you all well. I close with love and best wishes. I am as ever, your son.

Sgt. Albert J. Goers
Co. E. 338th Inf., A.E.F., France.



A BUSINESS PORTION OF FARMINGTON—By Courtesy of D. U. R. Publicity Department.

Bad Luck Follows him

Last week while at the market in Detroit Mark Bachelor cracked a rib while carrying potato crates, and while drawing water with a one-horse wagon at his home he was thrown out and badly bruised about the head and face last Sunday.

Mr. Bachelor and little son Warren started to draw some water, when a bolt came loose and let the shafts of the wagon down. Mr. Bachelor stopped the animal with such suddenness that he was thrown out of the wagon head first, as he was standing. At that the horse started, and Mr. Bachelor thinking to save his boy, grabbed the reins and was dragged some distance along the gravel road, bruising his face and digging a hole in his head, necessitating the taking of stitches to close the wound.

The little boy escaped injury, however, and no other damage was done, but Mark is wondering what will be next.

Birthday Surprise

Mrs. Joseph Graham gave a surprise party for her husband recently, it being his 48th birthday anniversary.

About 30 of the neighbors were present, and the evening was spent in playing progressive pedro. Mrs. Glessen winning first honors and Mrs. Sias Clark second for the ladies, and for the gentlemen, Harry Clark first and Maurice Graham second.

Light refreshments were served and Mr. Graham was the recipient of several gifts.

Everyone enjoyed themselves, and left for their homes wishing Mr. Graham many happy returns of the day.

Clear the Way.

It used to be that as long as a man was reasonably peaceable, and not unreasonably lazy, that other folks did not bother much what he did. But how times have changed? Now the same man must not only be reasonably busy, but he must be busy at a reasonably essential task, else along comes the government, taps him on the shoulder and tells him to move on and find a real job.

And it is with the farmer. Gone are the good old days of winter when he used to play dominoes and drink apple cider only stopping to eat dinner and feed the stock. Winter is a resting period no longer. It is a preparation time for the busy spring and summer which is coming. And woe to those who do not prepare.

By sending in your order at once you can get Woman's World and The Enterprise for only \$1.75.

During September there were 3,259 deaths reported as having occurred in Michigan. During the same period there were 7,230 births in the state.

Paper Hanging and Painting

promptly done. Estimates given. Paper supplied to customers, if desired, right from the manufacturer.

CHARLES GILL,
Care C. R. Ely.

Try a liner. It will pay you.

Not Reported Last Week

The following names of volunteers of the recent Fourth Liberty were omitted from the original list as published the past two weeks:

Edward Bulson.....	\$ 20
James Beatty.....	20
Roy Chapman.....	20
Warner Priest.....	20
R. C. Ross.....	20
Robert Graham.....	100
Charles Walling.....	100
J. C. Button.....	200
Jane Holdershaw.....	100
Herb Tuttle.....	200
Lucy Gourley.....	100
E. G. Carey.....	100
Elmer Johnson.....	100
Reed W. Hamblen.....	20
Claude Leach.....	20

Death of Mrs. Charles Mallard

Word was received last Sunday of the death of Mrs. Charles Mallard, at her home on Baltimore avenue, Detroit, Sunday, October 27th.

Mrs. Mallard, whose maiden name was Mary Lock, was a sister of Samuel Lock, of this village, formerly lived in this vicinity.

The remains were taken to Franklin Monday for burial.

Besides her husband she is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Alice McCarthy and Miss Thelma Mallard; two brothers, Samuel and James, of Southfield, and three sisters, Mrs. Katharine Butcher, Miss Sarah Lock, of Crona, Mrs. Elizabeth Shearman, of Edmore, and many friends.

Returned to the City

Tuesday night a boy about 12 years old was pulled off a truck in this village and given lodging at the hotel, and sent to the Detroit police department in care of the D. U. R. conductor Wednesday morning.

As a truck on its way to Howell was riding barrels near the end of the cement road Tuesday night a boy was noticed among the barrels on the back end of the truck. He could give no account of himself other than that he lived on Canfield avenue, Detroit, and was going "anywhere it happened."

On reaching this village the truck drivers stopped at the Ely garage and the boy who appeared partially demented, was put off and cared for until morning, when he was returned to the city.

He was fairly well dressed, and it was thought he belonged to the Boys Home, but all attempts to get into communication with the institution failed.

School Notes.

Mabel Cook is a new pupil in the Ninth grade.

The Senior class organized last week, with St. Clair Switzer as president; Harley Gibson, secretary and Viola Owen treasurer.

Velma Cook is a new pupil in the seventh grade.

Thirty one members of the High School were in their seats Wednesday morning at the reopening of school.

Try a liner. If you have anything to buy or sell it will pay you to use our liner column. It costs but little.

Want to save money? Take advantage of our special clubbing offer with Woman's World. Both publications, one year, only \$1.75.

Don't forget our liner column.

Died in Pontiac

Mrs. Clarence Wood, who has been in ill health for the past five years, died in Pontiac Saturday morning of pneumonia, resulting from an attack of influenza, aged 37 years, 7 months and 10 days.

Mrs. Wood, who was a daughter of Mrs. Mary Smith, of this village, was born in this township on March 16, 1881, and was married to Clarence Wood in September, 1903. To them were born two daughters, Florine, aged 13, and Gladys, aged 10, who with the husband, her mother and two sisters, Mrs. Steve Tredway and Mrs. George Lock, of Romeo, survive her, her father, Oscar Smith having died recently.

The remains were brought to the home in North Farmington, where the funeral was held Tuesday afternoon. Rev. E. C. Benson officiating. Burial at North Farmington cemetery.

Local News

Mrs. H. Wadenstorer in Detroit Monday, visiting her sister, Mrs. Ponkins.

Mrs. Albert Prindle has been spending the week at the home of her son David Prindle.

Miss Francis Melin, of Boston Boulevard, Detroit, was a guest of Mrs. Kryzanowsky at the Pickett home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Conn and Mrs. Ellis, of Detroit, and Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Pierce took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Pierce Monday evening.

Mrs. Jessie Hanch, of Benton Harbor, and Mrs. Myrtle Collins, of Plymouth, visited at George Beiry's Friday afternoon.

Sherman Yerks, of the Canadian army, located at London, Ont., has been spending a few days with his wife and baby and other relatives and friends here. Ben Meyers went over to London and accompanied him home. They were in Detroit Thursday.

Club and Society Notes.

The Enthusiastic Red Cross Circle will not meet this week. The New Idea club met last Wednesday with Mrs. Henry West.

The Priscilla club will meet next Tuesday with Mrs. Lee Williver.

The next meeting of the O. E. S. Red Cross Circle will be next Thursday with Mrs. J. C. Clark.

The annual meeting of the Universalist church will be held with Miss Ida Steele Saturday November 2nd. All interested invited to be present.

Do you know you can secure a year's subscription to The Enterprise and Woman's World for only \$1.75.

Save Food and Buy Bonds.

Here at home are persons who complain of being tired of their share in the war when that share is merely judicious eating. They long for peace as a time of plentiful food, as it more food in the future were the only thing for which millions of men have given their lives.

Save Food and Buy Bonds.

The morale of this army of ours is dependent on the strength of those at home. A whisper of complaint goes far and grows louder as it resounds across the Atlantic.

FROM OUR EXCHANGES

Newsy Items Taken From Other Papers in and About the County.

Now that the Fourth Loan Campaign is over the political candidates have the floor. Look out for the "hand cramp" as there are some strong "glad handers" in this county.—Parma News.

Probably the oldest inhabitant can not recall another political campaign similar to this. There has been many a political speech, very little campaigning on the part of candidates. Little or no newspaper publicity or campaign literature. We venture to say that not many of the voters even know who the candidates are except for senator.—Milford Times.

The funny paragraphs of the big city dailies have given the general public false ideas as to the ability of "Farmer Cornstossel" to protect himself and property against the forays of autoists from the big wicked city; with resultant damages to the most exposed portions to the thieves who help themselves to anything that isn't nailed down. Our farmer friends are getting wise to the fact that they are fully justified in resorting to bull dogs, shot guns, etc.—Birmingham Eclectic.

Some persons think they are sacrificing if not suffering by being restricted to two pounds of sugar a month for each member of the family, but Mrs. M. Spadafora has received a letter from a sister in Italy who states that they have not known what sugar looks like for a year and a half. The only way they can get any sweetening matter is to stew up prunes and use the juice. The fact is, people in America have not suffered at all.—Holly Advertiser.

Deputy Sheriff Lyke picked up three Pollocks from Detroit, who had been inhabiting a shack upon the Thompson farm just west of Will Taft's. It was over in Oakland county and Lyke turned them over to Oakland county officials, who took them to Pontiac. There was found in their possession a letter that gave information that they might know something about dynamiting. They had registered in the first draft but evidently had not reported for service.—Northville Record.

A 19x25 poster of excellent paper, bearing the beautiful (?) picture of a waste-basket full of scrap paper, printed in three colors, with the wording "Don't waste paper—paper is essential," and signed by the War Industrial Board—who ever they are—reached our office Wednesday all wrapped securely in a strawboard carton and bearing 2-cent postage. It's dollars to doughnuts all the paper saved in years to come will not offset the cost of printing, handling, mailing, etc. incurred in sending out the above referred to posters. While we as well as everyone, believe in conservation to the limit, yet are we led to exclaim "Consistency thou art a jewel."—Rochester Clarion.

The Biggest Ever.

Never in the history of Michigan have so many signatures been secured as for the one on woman suffrage. According to the Detroit News, in 1893 there was presented to the legislature a petition 1300 feet long. The sheets were pasted together in a continuous roll. Two years ago, in 1916, the prohibition initiative petition contained about 70,000 names. But it remains for the women of Michigan to surpass all records in the number of women who have signed a petition for the suffrage amendment, which will be voted on November 5th. [From every county in the state the women have sent in their names, all properly subscribed and witnessed, so that there can be no juggling with facts. There is no doubt that Michigan women are abreast of the times.]

Try the liners. They sell.

MICHIGAN'S "WAR GOVERNOR" HEADS G.O.P. STATE TICKET



ALBERT E. SLEEPER.

Card of Thanks

We wish to sincerely thank our friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy in our recent bereavement.

Clarence Wood and Family.

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We wish to extend our sincere thanks to our friends, relatives and neighbors for their kind sympathy and floral offerings during our late bereavement. Special thanks to Rev. Benson for his consoling words.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Shoebridge and Family.

LITTLE WANT ADS

FOR RENT—House. Inquire of C. R. Ely.

FOR RENT—Three Houses. Inquire Dr. E. F. Holcomb. 44tf

FOR RENT—An up-to-date apartment. Inquire at Warner Dairy office. 22c

STATIONERY—Let us print you some nice stationery. Good work and reasonable prices.

FOR SALE—Two new milch cows. Jay Graham, Farmington. 51-52p

FOR SALE—Hard Maple Wood for immediate delivery, \$5.00 per cord. L. C. Harger. 51p

FOR SALE—Registered Holstein Bull, 7 months old. Inquire of George Biery, Clark Hutton farm. 49tf

FOR SALE—Visiting cards—either printed or engraved. Best of work and prices right. Ask the Enterprise man.

FOR SALE—A cow; also a few fine white Wyandotte cockerels for breeding pens. C. R. Talbot, Farmington. 50-51c

PAINTING—Do you want your Auto or Buggy painted? Expert painting done at reasonable prices. Call Ely, Farmington. 34tf

FOR SALE—Large sheets of Blotting paper, also Bristol Board, Cards of all kinds, either printed or plain. Call at the Enterprise and see what we have.

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