

**LOCAL BOY IN RUSSIAN PORT**

Wishes for More Activity Nearer France

Mrs. J. S. Masten of Houlton has received the following interesting letter from her nephew, who is in the U. S. Navy and stationed at Vladivostok, Russia, June 13, '18.

Dear Aunt Lucy:

I received your interesting letter a few days ago and was sure glad to hear from you. I won't be able to write such a newsworthy letter as yours is, but I won't attempt it. We have been here almost four months now and so it is rather tiresome as there is no excitement whatever. Just the same my daily routine and I don't go there very often, as there is nothing there that I enjoy. The people can't speak English and there are no

theatres so the only thing to do is ride around the country in an automobile which I like very much. That costs nine rubles an hour, which is the same as ninety cents in American money. One good thing is that I can save my money which might come in handy sometime. Our ship has about eight hundred men on it, so you can judge how big it is. The stern is tied to the dock so we can walk ashore. There are two Japs, one Chinese and one English warship here. We have moving pictures in the warehouse on the beach every night and play baseball and football on the grounds nearby. We have a fieldmeet every Saturday with men from other ships and Russian soldiers, so you can see we are not absolutely without some pleasure. A transport left yesterday with some men off this ship whose times are up and are going home to the good old U. S. A. We have a fine band consisting of thirty Filipinos. You ask

what my work is so I'll try to give you an idea of it. You see, I am a ship's cook and there are three of us on each watch of which there are two. We go to work at one p. m., one day and quit at the same time the next day. We have five big 50-gallon copper pots to cook in. They are double lined and when we have meat or anything in them all we have to do is turn on the steam which goes in these double sides. We have a big ten-foot range but only use it for fries. We have a copper coffee urn which holds 100 gallons. Sometimes I have to get up at 2 a. m., to get breakfast, but don't mind it. We have breakfast at 7:30. Sometimes when we have an easy dinner we have it ready before breakfast is served. For instance, when we have boiled ham, spinach, spuds and soup. The floor in the kitchen is of white tiling. Well, I think we will only be here about another month and will then go to Manila. Everybody hopes so anyway, as we all like it down there. Weather here has been like it is in Oregon. A few nice sunny days and then heavy rain. The hills around the bay are a pretty green now which makes everything look fresh. I was very much surprised to hear that Ben enlisted. I knew the Nagel boys and the others mentioned. Yes, I too wish this war would end as quick as possible, so we can all go home and live in peace. I hope we go to the east coast and hunt submarines as we are doing nothing here to help our country. My best friend that has been with me since we left Los Angeles, died a month ago of small pox. We buried him here beside two other sailors from this ship. I thought Harold was in the army by this time. He has been on the road a long time now. Today is Ma's birthday. I am an old man now as I am almost 27. I feel like a 14-year-old kid though. I'll send you a couple of good souvenirs when I get some. I'll send a few pieces of money now. Give my best regards to John and all the rest. I guess Roland would like to be here and go hunting. An officer on here went out one day and got two big reindeer, big as horses. We had them for dinner.

Well, Aunt Lucy, I have to go to work now and as the mail steamer leaves today I will have to close with love from,

Your nephew,  
FRED KRAUSE,  
U. S. S. Brooklyn,  
care P. M., San Francisco.

**Card of Thanks**

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No. 18  
Report of the condition of THE COLUMBIA COUNTY BANK at St. Helens, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, August 31, 1918.

<b>Resources—</b>	
Loans and discounts	\$413,920.26
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	2,048.00
Bonds and warrants	130,543.12
Banking house	17,630.00
Furniture and fixtures	3,300.79
Due from approved reserve banks	47,085.97
Cash on hand	35,610.07
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$650,138.12</b>
<b>Liabilities—</b>	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	10,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	2,479.13
Postal savings bank deposits	24,052.31
Individual deposits subject to check	316,316.70
Demand certificates of deposit	29,212.23
Cashier checks outstanding	5,624.76
Certified checks	316.77
Time and Savings Deposits	212,136.22
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$650,138.12</b>

STATE OF OREGON )  
County of Columbia ) ss

I, A. L. Stone, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

A. L. STONE,  
Cashier.

CORRECT—Attest:  
SHERMAN M. MILES,  
H. F. McCORMICK,  
Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of Sept., 1918.  
J. W. DAY,  
Notary Public.  
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