

WILLIAMSTOWN

France Rainy Most of Time, Says Floyd Wilmore—Appreciates Y. M. C. A.

Mr. and Mrs. Allie Wilmore of this place have received two interesting letters from their son, Floyd, within a few days, both written from France, May 12. He writes that the weather is very rainy here, and that he is in a hospital. He also enclosed the program of a minstrel show, called the "Tank Cent" minstrels, put on in the Y. M. C. A. hall, May 9, to which he refers in both letters.

Dear Mother: The day's work is done again, so will write you a letter. It is not much to write, just the same old thing. About all that I can say is that I am feeling well. But then I know that you are glad to get a letter from me even if it is all that is in it. I know what it is to go without my mail for a long time. I didn't get any for three months. Some time to wait, but I had to stand it.

I didn't rain more than two days last week. That is something worth mentioning. I looked pretty nice this morning, so I started out with my raincoat. About noon it started raining and I was out in it all of the afternoon. Got pretty wet, but I have dry clothes on now, so I feel fine.

I was out at a French farmhouse last night with three other fellows. I have learned to "parlez vous" much yet, but I can understand quite a bit, so I get along fairly well. It certainly is hard stuff to learn.

There was an entertainment here in the Y. M. C. A. Saturday night and one of the girls in it is from Malone, N. Y. You know I have heard talk about Malone lots of times, but I don't know it. I would know this girl, though, it has been so long since he has been there. I have forgotten what her name is anyway.

They are having another rehearsal for a minstrel show here and it is so noisy that it is pretty hard to write. Gee, it is getting pretty interesting, so I think that I will close this letter any time to the singing.

Dear Mother: Well, it is May 12 and mothers' day, as of course you know, so I am trying to write you a letter. It is awfully hard to write a letter here, though. However, I am trying to write something so that you can say that your boy wrote you a letter mothers' day.

I went to the morning service in the Y. M. C. A. this morning and this evening I went to a French Catholic church. The services in the Catholic church here are about the same as in the states, only of course everything is in French, so that we can't understand anything.

We had a baseball game this afternoon against Co. A. We won very easily, 9 to 2. It wasn't much of a game because it had been raining and the ball was wet. It would be something very strange if we had a day here without rain. Especially on Sunday, when we have a little time off, it seems always to rain.

I was pretty busy all the forenoon, washing my clothes. I am getting so used to doing my own laundry all of the time that I think I will insist upon doing it myself when I get home. I may change my mind, though.

There was a minstrel show here in the Y. M. C. A. last week. Just to show you what the "Y" does for us fellows over here, I am going to send you one of the programs. It certainly was a fine show. I never in my life saw anything of its kind better.

I suppose it must be pretty dull and quiet in the little old town now. I used to be with some of the boys when I first came over, but none of them are with me now. But I trust that I will see them all sometime. It just takes a little patience to wait for that time to come.

Will bring this to a close now. It isn't much, mother, but I guess it will go for a letter anyhow, won't it? Floyd.

NORTH MONTEPELIER

Mr. Knight and part of his men went to South Royalton Tuesday to attend Red Cross exercises and the entertainment Tuesday night.

Miss Nancy Parker has finished work for Mrs. T. L. Lawless and gone to her home in East Calais.

Messrs. Templeton and Hartness of Northfield Falls were visitors in town Tuesday.

Miss Alice Parsons of East Calais was the guest of her sister, Miss Eva, over the week end.

Stanley Marsh of Barre was a business visitor in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Kelley of Windsor were week-end visitors at George L. Pray's.

Mrs. Martha Graves, who has been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Graves, returned to her home in Waterbury Center Sunday.

Van Bennett has purchased a new car, a Dodge.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Lawless and daughters, Maxine and Minnette, Miss Evangeline Silver and Miss Althea Gilchrist of North Haven, N. H., were visitors Sunday at Mrs. Lizzie Pray's and T. L. Lawless'.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Carroll of Montpelier visited Mr. and Mrs. Van Bennett Memorial day.

Ted Walker, Wallace Guernsey, Arthur Cook and Fred McLeod, who enlisted in the navy, went Monday to Burlington, where Messrs. Cook and McLeod were rejected and have returned home. A good turnout from here went to Montpelier to see the boys off. All good wishes go with them for a safe and speedy return.

The North Montpelier branch of the Red Cross went Thursday afternoon to unite with the East Montpelier Red Cross society.

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Pray spent Sunday at their camp at Joe's pond.

Scoffers and Doubters

Why Let Prejudice Bind You to a Life of Rheumatic Torture?

Be fair to yourself, you sufferer from rheumatism, no matter what form. Do not let a prejudice bind you to a life of rheumatic torture. Take a package of Rheuma, the guaranteed prescription. Use the entire bottle, and if you don't think it has given you quick and sure relief, say so, and you can have your money back.

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CHELSEA

Ten Cases Stand for Trial at June Term of County Court.

The June term of Orange county court convened Tuesday morning, June 4, with the following court officers present: Stanley C. Wilson, presiding judge; Clinton A. Adams of Post Mills, and Benjamin H. Adams of Chelsea, assistant judges; Hale K. Darling, clerk; William H. Sprague, deputy clerk; Arzo A. Reed of Williamstown, sheriff; John C. Sherburne of Randolph, state's attorney; Marshall Spencer of St. Johnsbury, reporter. The following attorneys were also present: R. M. Harvey and E. M. Harvey of Montpelier, A. A. Sargent of Barre, N. L. Boyden and M. M. Wilson of Randolph, Charles Batchelder of Bethel, Raymond Trainor of White River Junction, Chelsea, D. S. Conant of St. Johnsbury, Chelsea, D. S. Conant of St. Johnsbury, Praytor of Randolph, Rev. John A. Lawrence, after which the trial calendar was read and it was found that ten jury cases stood for trial. There are also several criminal cases which will be disposed of by trial or plea and also several divorce cases and other court cases, which will be heard. Sheriff Reed has as his assistant, Deputy G. A. Tracy of Chelsea and Deputy Thomas G. Dearborn of Strafford.

The jurors were called at the opening of the afternoon session and for a good and sufficient reason, thirteen out of the thirty-four which had been called, were excused and a venire was promptly issued for twelve more jurors, who have been called to appear on Thursday.

The first jury case for trial was George H. King vs. Britton K. Clark, which is a tort action arising from the sale of a farm by the defendant to the plaintiff, the plaintiff alleging in his declaration that the farm upon measurement fell a large number of acres short of the number claimed by the defendant when the sale was consummated. Raymond Trainor appears for the plaintiff and David S. Conant and M. M. Wilson appear for the defendant.

While the number of cases which are set for trial and hearing indicates that the term will be of unusual length, yet the opening of the term and the subsequent work of the day proceeding with the snap and precision that is characteristic of Judge Wilson, gives reasonable promise that the work of the term may be completed during the month of June.

TOPSHAM

Memorial day was fittingly observed here. A bountiful dinner was served at town hall, and the address in the P. church by the pastor, Rev. C. A. Lay, was excellent. Rev. Green of Waits River and Rev. F. L. Malzard of East Corinth were present and assisted in the service. The selections by the choir were fine and well rendered. The flag drill by the school girls was very pretty and reflects great credit on the teachers who had the training in charge. The procession marched to the cemetery, where the graves of comrades and loved ones were decorated with beautiful flowers. Thanks to Walter Dodd and son for their assistance rendered by music in the lead of the procession. There is a feeling of sadness when we stop to realize the precious lives that are daily sacrificed on the battlefields in this present war and we hope and trust that the dawning of a better day is near at hand, when wars shall cease and peace shall be declared.

Charles Currier is still confined to the bed and remains about the same. J. K. White, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. White accompanied Dr. E. L. Miller to Waits River last Friday, where he was called to report on that date.

Mrs. P. D. Bromley and son, Victor, took an auto trip to Bradford last week accompanied by C. E. Dickerman as chauffeur.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Powers were at Boltonville on Sunday to visit their daughter, Mrs. Leon Mason.

We are glad to report Kenneth Hood as gaining slowly.

Rev. J. C. Wright was at Grotton on Monday to attend the funeral of Hon. T. B. Hall.

Dr. E. L. Miller, who recently graduated from the Ontario Veterinary college with the degree of veterinary surgeon, also from the University of Toronto with the degree of bachelor of veterinary science, has been called to active duty in the United States Army and has been ordered to report at Walls River for training, and from there he goes to Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va. Dr. Miller has had three years of training at North-west university, which will prove very helpful to him in his army life. The great wishes of his many friends go with him and we sincerely hope that all our boys may return in the not distant future.

Mrs. P. J. McNamara is on the sick list.

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Graduating Exercises of Randolph High School Will Occur on June 12.

The graduating exercises of the class of 1918 of the Randolph high school will be held at Chandler Music hall Wednesday evening, June 12, at 8:15, with the following program: Music; prayer, Rev. Frank S. Tolman, Ph. D.; music; salutatory, Gladys T. Hyzer; class history, Josephine B. Stinets; valedictory, "A Perfect Day," Wilmer W. Angell; class oration, Howard G. Spaulding; class song, composed by Elaine Bass, and sung by the class; certificates to the class, Ivis B. Flint; class prophecy, Alice M. Lamb; music; advice to the undergraduates, Dwight L. Granger; presentation of class gift, Wilmer W. Angell, president of the class of 1918; response, Clayton W. Jones, president of class of 1919; music; valedictory, Anne-Gilbert Bell; presentation of diplomas and certificates; music; music by Music hall orchestra. The commencement ball will be held at the Chandler Music hall Friday evening, June 14, and the music will be by Carroll's orchestra, Barre. The entire proceeds will be devoted to the Red Cross. The class includes the following: Latin course, Frances Elaine Bass, "Anne-Gilbert Bell, Iris Carol Buck, "Alice Madine Lamb, Ralph Edward Noble, Howard Gordon Spaulding, Joseph Belle Stinets, Ruth Mae Thayer; English course, Dear Harry Allen, Wilmer Webster Angell, Ernest Everett Goodrich, Dwight Luther Granger, Annie Lee Hatch, Charles Clark Jones, Cyrus Alton Metcalf, Pauline Elizabeth Neill, Ralph Chambers Band, Earl Raymond Shequinn; commercial course, Ada Marie Ben, Gladys Rose Flint, Geneva Maynard Ford, Marguerite Elizabeth Huntington, Aolon Daniel Putnam, Charles Avery Smith; teacher training course, Marian Jennie Brown, Ivis Belle Flint, Alice Mildred Hickey, "Gladys Thayer Hyzer, Bertha Mina Luce, Verne Ethel Smith, Elsie May Snelling, Mary Claudine Stockwell, "Hazel Lavinia Towksbury, Olive Mary Tracy; special commercial course, Hazel Iona Tatro, special language course, Faith Wilson. A star prefixed to a name in the above list indicates honorable mention for excellence in scholarship in the course. In addition to those who have completed the commercial course, certificates of proficiency are awarded as follows: In shorthand and typewriting, Charles C. Jones; in typewriting, Alice M. Lamb, Ruth M. Thayer, Pauline E. Neill, Cyrus Metcalf enlisted in the quartermaster's corps in the national army Dec. 8, 1917. A diploma is duly awarded to him in recognition of his excellent scholarship and patriotic service.

Mrs. Harriet Esterbrook, worthy matron of the Northfield Eastern Star chapter, and Mrs. Goldie Davis D. D. G. M., of the same place, were entertained over Tuesday night by Abbie F. Clarke, and the following day these ladies accompanied by Mrs. L. S. Cleveland and Abbie F. Clarke, went to Rutland to attend the grand chapter of the same order.

Rev. and Mrs. F. S. Tolman, Mrs. Eugene Holman, Mrs. D. B. Cassidy, Mrs. Pearl Clough and others from this place went to Websterville to attend the Baptist convention.

The program at the community sing held at the Methodist church Tuesday evening was composed of selections by the male quartet, the orchestra, organ solo by Miss Caroline Wright and King Slack, solos by Mrs. H. J. Stathers, readings by others present, which made an enjoyable evening.

Mrs. Florence Ostevay of this place has sold her house on Central street and will give immediate possession. She will pack her household goods and ship them to Springfield, Mass., where she expects to make her home for the present, so as to be near her children, who reside there.

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Miss Marion Jones returned Tuesday from the Moody school in East Northfield, Mass.

Dr. and Mrs. Harry W. Traak of West Boylston, Mass., are at C. H. Newcomb's.

Norma Marshall and Lewis Moriarty have scarlet fever.

Harry Rogers of Burlington is at W. E. Long's.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jones spent Tuesday in Montpelier and Waterbury.

Edward LaBelle of Gaysville is at J. A. Smith's.

Warren J. Palmer and wife are visiting in Tunbridge.

Mrs. Earl Joslin is visiting her former home in Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. William O'Brien and child of Dunkinore are in town. Mrs. O'Brien will be remembered as Miss Maude Nelson.

E. S. Joslin has returned from Philadelphia.

Miss Jessica Joslin is clerking in the store of W. E. Joens.

Miss Emma Joslin returned Monday from her school in Colorado.

Minnie Burritt of Burlington is spending a few weeks at G. W. Wallis'.

Fred Braddish of Burlington is at George W. Wallis'.

District Superintendent of Schools Martin W. Chaffee of Waterbury was in town Tuesday.

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The following letters are from Sergeant Hadley M. MacPhetrea, battery, 101st field artillery, A. E. F., who was recently wounded in action and who received special praise for bravery. His parents live near here but Sergeant MacPhetrea and his brother, Harland, enlisted from Massachusetts, they having been employed at Lynn at the time.

April 20, 1918. Dear Father and Family: This finds me at a base hospital in France for a few days. I received a small wound in my left arm from a piece of German shell. They had to operate on my arm to take out the piece of shell, so I had to lay off for a few days. It is all right now and coming along fine and I am up and dressed and walking around and feel fine. I was in bed only a few days. The piece that went into my arm made only a small hole but stopped in the muscle part of my arm above the elbow, so they had to do a little cutting to get it out. I thought I had better write and tell you about it, as you would probably hear anyway and do a lot of worrying.

It is a week now about as I am all right now and feel fine and will be back with the battery in a few days. I wonder every day just how you are and how you are getting along. I hope you are much better this spring, but you want to be careful and not try to do much work. How is mother, Flora, Archie and all the rest? Tell them all to write and I will write to them as soon as possible.

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