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Our Boys Are Under Fire

Letters Indicate Boys of "Co. I" Are Close To Firing Line.

Somewhere in France
May 31, 1918

Rev. Myron E. Hoyt.
Dear Friend:

I received your most kind and loving letter and was more than surprised to hear from you. It found me well and happy, and hope this finds you the same. I am thanking you a thousand times for the booklet you sent me.

I will tell you a little of what I have seen. I am sitting under an apple tree trying to write. The big guns are roaring and the shells are whistling over my head. I don't know whether you can read this or not but I am doing my best as there is a lot of noise here, and I wish you could all hear one of these big shells—they sound like the wind coming around a corner in the winter time.

I want to say that France is the most beautiful country that I have ever seen. Of course everything is old fashioned. I was in a German church, Sunday, that beat anything I ever saw. They have several tombs set in the floor and the cemetery is around the church—so it is real handy.

Well, I wish I was back in old East Jordan handling lumber again, for I think it would beat this all to pieces. However, I don't think the war will last very much longer—then we can all come home again.

I haven't had a chance to get a German but hope I do soon. Yes, we will deliver the punch when the time comes all right, but it seems slow in coming. When we do hit, though, we will hit hard.

I will say something about our homes in France. We have been living in barns, hay-lofts, and any place that we could find room. I am sleeping next door to a cow and a calf at the present time so I have good company—or rather they do—but we should worry.

Well, I must close for this time, and hope to hear from you again soon. I want to thank the church for the booklet they sent me, and hope to be with them again soon. I remain as ever,
Yours very truly,
CORP. CLIFFORD HAMMOND

Hdqr. Co., 125th Inf.,
American E. F.

With the A. E. F.
May 30, 1918

Rev. Myron E. Hoyt

Dear Sir:

I received your most welcome letter last night and I am glad you take an interest in me. I also received the booklet and I wish to express utmost thanks for it.

You may be interested in things as they are over here.

We always have a Sunday service by the regimental chaplains although we are unable to have them now as the regiment is not all together.

The American Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. are a great help to us. We can get magazines and home papers, there and every once in a while there is some kind of an entertainment which is greatly appreciated by the soldiers.

A few days ago we had our first experience in warfare. We had our first gas shelling at night. And we also have seen several battles in the air which is very exciting.

The people here are very interesting and, to the American way of thinking, they are very backward.

I will have to close now, thanking you again.

CHARLIE NEWKIRK

Hdqr. Co. 125th Inf.

American E. F.

MORE MECHANICS WANTED

These men must have 8th grade education, have some aptitude for mechanical work, or some mechanical experience. Charlevoix County is going to send (3) mechanics to East Lansing, for a course of training at government expense. We want three volunteers before July 1st. That date closes the volunteer period, and then if we have not the men it will be necessary to draft them. Call at the County Clerk's Office between now and the first of July and leave your application.

The above call is for men of the first draft who registered in 1917.

FOR SALE—150 acres Antrim county cut-over land. A bargain if you talk quick. GRIFF BROS. COOPERAGE CO., Cleveland, Ohio.

SUDDEN DEATH OF AN ESTEEMED EAST JORDAN LADY.

Mrs. Josiah St. John passed away at her home in this city about six o'clock last Saturday evening, June 22nd. She had been in usual health and was taken suddenly ill with heart trouble, passing away within a short time.

Maria Elizabeth Alexander was born April 1st, 1866, at Straford, Ont., her parents being William and Jane Alexander. When but a small babe her parents removed to East Jordan where she has since resided, a period of nearly half a century.

She was united in marriage to Josiah St. John in this city, Oct. 14, 1885. Four children were born to them three of whom, together with the husband and father survive. The surviving children are Mrs. O. M. Misener of Northville, Mich., Misses Amy and Audrey of this city. The deceased child was Milford Merle. She also leaves two brothers, Charles and Edward Alexander of this city, two sisters, Mrs. Wm. Anderson of Flint and Mrs. Wallace Worth of Onaway, and two half-brothers, Roland Maddock of this city and Joseph Maddock of Mackey, Idaho.

Funeral services were held from her late home Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, conducted by Rev. M. E. Hoyt of the Methodist Episcopal Church, which church she had been a member of for years. Interment was made at East Jordan Cemetery. The pall bearers were Charles Alexander, Edward Alexander, Oral Misener Wm. Anderson, Wallace Worth and Roland Maddock.

Card of Thanks

For kindness and consideration; for tokens of affection and esteem; for sympathy and kind words from friends and relatives during our recent sorrow we are sincerely grateful.

Josiah St. John and family.

Red Cross Notes

The Knitting Bee will be entertained next Monday afternoon by the ladies of the Relief Corps and Friendship L. & T. Circle, at the Armory. A large attendance is desired.

Sweater yarn can be obtained at Miss Kneal's store.

A number of Red Cross Workers attended the Charlevoix Co. chapter session held at Charlevoix last Tuesday. The meeting was conducted by Mark T. McKee, 1st vice chairman of Michigan. The key note sounded—greater work in store for all Red Cross chapters.

MAN PLAYS THE PIANO 65 HOURS, 14 MINUTES

Wrests World Championship From Rival in Contest That is Spread Over Four Days.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Lawrence Huntington of West Philadelphia holds the record as the champion ivory beater of the world. The title was accorded to him at 5:15 o'clock Sunday morning when he dropped over at a piano which he had been ceaselessly pounding for 65 hours and 14 minutes, drumming out a symphony in X flat.

Huntington and J. M. Waterbury of Emporia, Kan., started a musical marathon on Thursday at noon at Fifty-second and Ranstead streets. Waterbury up to that time was the world's champion, having a record of 65 hours and 7 minutes.

From Thursday until Sunday at 5:03 a. m., the pair kept up the contest. Then Waterbury went out, and Huntington was left to pound away on the keys alone.

He insisted that he was going to distance Waterbury and he did, but when he was seven minutes beyond the Emporia man's record he faded away and had to be carried off where he could get a little sleep.

While the contest was on the players had to keep their fingers going ceaselessly. They were fed thru a hose. Their fingers were padded with little pieces of felt and the keys were covered with talcum powder. This assuaged in a great measure the effect of the constant playing upon their fingers.

In the last hours, as he was near the record of his rival, Huntington showed signs of nodding to sleep, but the crowd around the place in which he was playing kept up an uproar of cheering so that he would remain awake. When he found that he had smashed Waterbury's record, however, he insisted on taking a rest, despite the urging of his friends that he keep on.

"I'm off music for a while," he said after he had taken some sleep. "I've had all I want, for the time being. I'm what you might call fed up."

Simpson Brown Commits Suicide

Old Age and Despondency Cause of Rash Act.

Simpson B. Brown, a well-known and esteemed farmer residing north of our city near the Chaddock school house, committed suicide last Sunday about noon by hanging himself from a ladder in the barn. Mr. Brown, who was about 74 years of age, had been failing in health for some time, and this together with constant worry over the farm work caused him to commit the rash act.

He leaves a wife and an adopted boy, Raymond; also a half-brother, Robert, who resides at Grand Rapids.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon conducted by Rev. J. W. Ruehle, pastor of the Church of God, Interment at East Jordan Cemetery.

NEW VEGETABLE GROWN BY FARMERS IN SOUTH

Dasheen, Tropical Food Similar to the Potato, Can Be Raised Over a Wide Area.

Washington, D. C.—The dasheen, a root crop introduced into this country from Trinidad within recent years by the Department of Agriculture, is now grown by a considerable number of farmers and truckers in the South.

It promises to become a valuable member of the group of domestic vegetables such as the potato which furnish starchy foods. The new vegetable is closely related to the taro, which is an important factor in the food supply in parts of the tropics.

The dasheen primarily is a tropical plant. It can be grown successfully, however, not only in the warmer parts of Florida, but in other sections of the South as far north as South Carolina.

The edible portion of the plant includes a large central corm and a number of tubers of much smaller size attached to and around the corm.

The value of the dasheen, it is believed, will be as a crop supplemental to rather than a substitute for the potato. The fact that the dasheen matures in the fall when potatoes must be obtained from Northern producing sections should make the new plant especially valuable in the economics of the Southern farmer.

In food value the dasheen is comparable to the potato, tho it contains a smaller proportion of water and a greater proportion of protein, starch and sugar.

The new vegetable may be prepared for the table as potatoes usually are, or may be made into flour and used in baking. The tender shoots forced from the large corms may be prepared like asparagus and make a pleasing dish in that form.

STONE MONEY IN GRAVE 75 YEARS; JUST FOUND

Mc Cray Gravel Pit, Near Cloverdale, Cal., Yields Relics of Early Indians.

San Francisco, Cal.—Most important anthropological finds relating to California Indians have been unearthed by William Altman, assistant curator of the Golden Gate Park Museum, in the McCray gravel pit near Cloverdale.

The find consists of the discovery of a burial ground which had been in use by the Indians of that part of the State for a period far antedating the arrival of the white men in California.

Altman, who returned from there recently, has secured a vast amount of Pomo stone money, made from magnesite, and numerous other objects of Indian life and culture.

One of the most important finds from the pit was the rude coffin of High Chief Mastilacoon, the last high chief of the Pomos of that section.

According to the details which Altman was able to get from the few Indians left living in that region, the chief, whose name meant Big Snake, was buried in the pit about 75 years ago. When he died the Indians were called from miles to attend the ceremonies, and just before the body was covered those present threw stone money into the grave.

Most of the information was given Altman by an Indian named Charlie La Moon, who is said to be over 100 years old. He was present at the burial.

Altman lacked the time to investigate the pit thoroughly, but he was told by La Moon that it contained at least 300 bodies, not including women and children.

Give us an Easter bonnet in this world and we'll take chances on getting a halo in the next.

Bread is the staff of life, but that doesn't justify a man in making his existence a continuous loaf.

Our Submarines in Picture Films

Part of Official Government War Films To Be Shown Here Next Monday Night.

American submarines, as far as the American people are concerned, are practically unknown and it will surprise many Americans to learn that the submarines of the United States navy are of a much better class and more expert in the real art of submarining than those of the Germans which are now being used for the ruthless attack upon sea travelers.

Our submarines, built exclusively as an adjunct for the navy and intended only to put enemy's warships out of commission in a close naval fight, are now in the ocean war zone with Rear Admiral Simms. Some of them were towed over, but others went over under their own steam, a feat which the Germans boasted so much of when their Deutschland came to this country with its cargo and its sharp eyes for all points which might come in handy to the subs later.

The submarines of America, which go faster, submerge while going at greater speed, and whose cruising radius is as large as those of the Germans will be shown in moving picture films at the Temple Theatre next Monday evening, July 1st, as part of the exhibition of official government war films shown here under direction of the Michigan War Preparedness Board. One thousand feet of the finest close-ups, long distances and other views of these monsters of the sea are included in the exhibition which total six reels and gives every activity of the army and navy in detail.

Cantonment intensified drilling, the sort that your boy and some other boy have to do day in and day out in preparation for their trip overseas to sink the cold steel into all the Hun's they can find, are depicted at great length. The torpedo boat destroyers of the navy now under command of Admiral Simms in the ocean war zone are shown in action, with Simms himself searching the sea for subs with a pair of powerful field glasses.

The exhibitions of these pictures is by no means a commercial enterprise. All proceeds for the War Board go to the fund for the relief of the dependents of Michigan men in the army and navy. They are now being shown throughout the state and everywhere have been greeted with big crowds and great enthusiasm. Any person who has a boy in the service ought to see them, and all who desire to know just what the army and navy are doing should not miss them.

Only a lot of cold cash can make an impression on a marble heart.

Kissing as a theory is far less satisfying than a practical example.

Don't think because the mule takes to his heels that he is a coward.

One of the principal ingredients in a good time is your imagination.

There is some good in everybody. You are no exception to this rule.

Kisses that are not intoxicating are the kind that drive men to drink.

Don't talk too much; a stiff lower jaw is as useful as a stiff upper lip.

Minding one's own business is a good method of developing the brain.

In the average man's life the longest day is the one just before pay day.

One can't tell by the size of a man's hat how much he doesn't really know.

The law provides more ways of escaping punishment than of inflicting it.

Be kind to children. Most of them retain their memories after they grow up.

Clothes do not make the man, yet a man may owe a great deal to his tailor.

Baking powder causes bread to raise, but gunpowder will raise it quicker.

When the wife wants pin money her husband has to come up to the scratch.

Depend upon it, the average man is above the average. If you doubt it, ask him.

If a word to the wise is sufficient, lawyers must consider jurors blooming idiots.

HOOVER ASKS THAT WE CONSERVE THE USE OF BEEF.

Our local chairman received a copy of the following telegram our National Food Administrator to the State Administrator:

Washington, D. C., June 17.
GEO. A. PRESCOTT,
State Food Administrator,
Lansing, Mich.

On account of increasing demand for beef for our growing army we ask householders not under any circumstances to buy more than one and one fourth pounds of clear beef or one and one half pounds including the bone, per person per week. There is an increased supply of pork in the country, therefore we urge people to substitute fresh pork, bacon, hams and sausages to a certain extent for beef products.

HERBERT HOOVER.

Junior Red Cross Notes.

A number of our school Auxiliaries are framing the certificates which are sent them. When so interested in keeping them before them there is no danger of their losing them by careless work or poor citizenship.

Schools organized just at close of school are Wilson school on Beaver Island and East Chandler school. Miss Lalonde of East Chandler organized the auxiliary in the brief six weeks in which she was teaching, completing a term.

The East Jordan school system is now the only school system in the county which is 100 per cent Junior Red Cross. The last day of school they finished their quota and are proud of their record. Charlevoix Central school is 100 per cent and Boyne City third ward, but each and every building in East Jordan is completed in this drive.

The report to Dr. Cooley of Chicago, Central Division shows that 2160 children of this county are now enrolled in Junior Red Cross work. This represents only 33 schools of the potential 75 but there is no doubt of a 100 per cent county when the teachers get busy next fall.

Miss Stewart, County Chairman of Shapter School Committee is resigning as the work will become heavy in the fall and a division of labor will make a more effective organization. She will continue to organize the auxiliaries and all other personal work which she can do in her trips thru the county and in visiting the schools. The work programs and reports however, plans, and committee work will best be handled by someone who can make this a specialty but who is also interested in school and school work. Mrs. A. G. Stead of Boyne City will be asked to accept this chairmanship and the appointment will carry with it the kindest regards of a host of co-workers, who realize her fitness for the position both in training, location, and natural ability.

If a man asks you to tell him his faults, it is a sign that he thinks he hasn't any.

Innocence is like an umbrella. When once it is lost, it is useless to advertise for it.

A philosopher gains renown by enduring other people's troubles with resignation.

If you don't like a book you can shut it up. This shows the advantage of loving books.

A pessimist likes a thing he can't enjoy and an optimist enjoys a thing he can't like.

On the authority of an architect the largest room in the world is the room for improvement.

Practice makes perfect—at least piano practice makes perfect martyrs of the neighbors.

When you lose a friend by lending him a small sum of money you get the best of the bargain.

A married man thinks all his wife has to do is to hunt new places in which to hide his things.

BAD KIDNEYS LAID HIM UP.

A slight kidney impairment may lead to dropsy or Bright's disease. Don't neglect it. Frank Miller, Bingham Utah, writes: "Was troubled with my kidneys so bad I could not work. Tried many kinds of medicine which did me no good. Then I tried Foley Kidney Pills; now feeling as good as I ever did before."—Hite's Drug Store.

School Commissioner's Notes

May L. Stewart, Commissioner

The annual statistical report of the Commissioner to the state department is made out this week. Also the second quarterly institute report made out, and fund paid to county treasurer.

The Central Michigan Round Table of Commissioner's Section, M. S. T. A. will meet in Mt. Pleasant three times this summer. The first session is held June 24-25th and the commissioners are supposed at this time to work during enrollment week for the welfare of the teachers of their respective counties, as well as to confer on educational and rural problems. Your commissioner will attend this meeting but hopes to be able to return to the "Old Settler's meeting for the 26th.

Final Warning—Names of students neither absent nor tardy from school during the last three months of school term should be now in this office. In other years, a few names have come in as late as September but there is so much work to care for at the last moment that it seems best to care for this early in the year. No names will be accepted after July 15th. Don't lose your free fair ticket.

Forty-eight four month diplomas and 12 full year diplomas were mailed to St. James this week to those earning them by punctuality and regularity of attendance.

The county fair list shows that five from one family were neither absent nor tardy. Lillian, Edith, Daisy, Bert and Clarence Burns, all from Wildwood School, R. 3, Boyne City. Their tickets will be mailed them later. Can any family beat this record?

We have a splendid list of teachers—or rather a list of splendid teachers going away to school this summer. Since last week we have heard of the following: Bessie Allen, Goldie Schneider, Mrs. Susie Flagg, Mrs. Ella Harrison, Hazel Sheldon, Leona Donaldson, Ruth Malpass, Alice Sedgman.

Student's names reported as neither absent nor tardy for entire year, list continued: Albert and Margaret Knop, Edward Hosmer, Kenneth Brown, Ruth, Edna and Raymond Davis. The last three are from one family and the entire year makes a splendid record for one mother to report. They live in the Slaughter School district, R. 4, Boyne City.

We have a goodly number of students already lined up for our County Normal. At present Mr. Craig tells us that he knows of five or six bright capable young women from the city of Charlevoix, but the names were not sent in. East Jordan graduates who figure on our home college first are: Hazel Kale Pearl Snyder, Signa Thorsen, Josie Hammond and possibly one or two more. Mrs. H. E. Hutton may enter the Normal also this fall and patriotically take up the teaching work again.

The work of carrying out the war-board's instructions relative to preparing skeleton programs for patriotic instruction in annual meetings, notifying directors and secretaries of same, planning the organization with war board of county is completed and everything is well underway in Charlevoix County. The directors have now only to act or appoint their committees notifying County War Board Chairman, of Charlevoix if they wish a speaker for the special address: "The Task Before Us," or if they wish to appoint one of the district electors to deliver this address.

There will be no notes during July and the first part of August. There will be some work to see to but the commissioner wishes to take a short vacation if possible before the heavy work of August reports and examinations. Until then, a pleasant summer to you, gentle reader and friend.

NOTICE

As many have inquired of me, to learn if I would be a candidate for the nomination of Prosecuting Attorney this year, I wish to announce at this time to all the electors of the County that I will be a candidate for the Republican nomination at the August Primaries. And I also wish to express my appreciation to the electors for the favorable manner in which they received my candidacy in the past.

Yours,
ROLLIE L. LEWIS,
Prosecuting Attorney.

[Pol. adv'g.]