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DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

- For Governor. EUGENE C. BONNITWELL, Philadelphia. For Lieutenant Governor. J. WASHINGTON LOGUE, Philadelphia.

A REAL NEWSY LETTER FROM FRANCE.

Robert Willard Tells How Many Bellefonte Boys are Getting Along.

There isn't a day goes by but the father and mother who has a son in France thinks that boy and wonders just what "he is doing now."

Somewhere in France, Sept. 2, 1918. Your very welcome letter was received yesterday. I sent you a Boche helmet and gas mask, but it is hard to tell whether you will ever get them.

The French people where we are now are doing everything they can for us. We are the first Americans that have been here and they sure do like us. The French soldiers are good to us, too.

Yes, I am liking France better every day, but there is no danger of R. T. W. staying over here for these French girls. I knew Jim Farrell was killed in action some time ago, but I thought I wouldn't say anything about it.

Well, I must close as there is to be a vaudeville here and it is about ready to start. Don't forget to send me some snap shots of the family.

Your loving son, BOB.

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I am glad you are getting along and like it in New York. We all feel that it won't be long now until the war is over and then for the dear old U. S. A. and together we will take care of the dearest mother on earth.

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IN CENTRE COUNTY'S "HALL OF FAME."



LIEUT. FRED C. YEAGER BELLEFONTE

Has Been Wounded Three Times in Action in France.

Lieut. Yeager is a son of Mrs. Maurice Yeager and is about twenty-six years old. He enlisted in Troop L, trained at Camp Hancock and won his commission in the military school at that place.

CAPT. VINCE TAYLOR HOME.

A Little of His Experience and Other Facts About Men in Service.

Captain Vincent Nicholas Taylor arrived home on Sunday from Camp Dix, N. J., where he has been since several weeks ago, spending four days with his father, Col. H. S. Taylor and family, leaving yesterday for Boston to see his sister, Miss Mary Taylor, who is a student at Hill Seminary.

Dr. John Keichline, of Petersburg, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Keichline, of Bellefonte, went to Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., on October 16th and entered the officers' medical training camp at Camp Greene.

Friends in Bellefonte have received a letter from private Harry E. Sager, of Battery B, 109th field artillery, stating that he has not had much time to write lately as they have been too busy chasing Fritz, and that they have a hard time trying to keep up with him.

Frederick Daggett, in the naval service at Newport, R. I., arrived home last Saturday on a brief furlough which he is spending with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Daggett, expecting to be here until Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Hunter left on Wednesday to motor to Elizabethpoint, N. J., called there by the illness of their son, B. Graham Hunter, who is an assistant cost inspector in the U. S. naval service.

WILLIAM MCCLURE WRITES HOME.

Mr. and Mrs. William McClure have received a letter from their son William, with the headquarters company of the 109th field artillery in France, in which he says: "We have just been relieved from the front and are now on our way back for a rest. Our outfit advanced several kilometers while we were in action. Received a letter from home several days ago but have only received one paper from home since I have been here."

ARTHUR UNDERCOFFER WOUNDED.

Baggage master Joseph W. Undercoffer on Tuesday evening received a telegram announcing the fact that his son, Arthur Undercoffer had been wounded in action in France. The young man was sent to Camp Meade from Lancaster county where he qualified as an instructor on the Browning machine gun.

CENTRE COUNTYMAN LOST IN SINKING OF TRANSPORT OTORONTO.

One Centre countyman, James W. Kehoe, of Sandy Ridge, was drowned when the transport Otronoto was sunk on October 6th of the Scottish coast in a collision with the steamer Kashmir. Particulars as to the young man's family and enlistment are not known at this writing.

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CAPT. WILBUR F. LEITZELL STATE COLLEGE

Was Seriously Wounded in Action on October First.

Full particulars of Capt. Leitzell's military career will be found in another column on this page. It is worth reading, as Capt. Leitzell has made a most remarkable record.

ON THE GERMAN BORDER.

A Very Interesting Letter from Lieut. W. Ned Keller, of Linden Hall.

To My Loved Ones at Home: Yesterday I had the pleasure of writing to mother and telling her that I was serving my first time at the front. I had to write while seated in my dugout, as it had been raining day and night for almost a week, and it was almost impossible to be out.

This morning the sky cleared up and so far it has proved to be a beautiful day. The sun is out at present and it is simply too nice to stay inside, and as long as the Boche don't detect me I don't mind telling you that I am sitting out here in the sun, at the same time being unobserved due to a pile of debris.

Conditions are not quite as bad here as one would imagine, for really I am quite comfortable. My men are well-fed, and so far I have been able to give them three hot meals a day and hot coffee with two of them.

The men are feeling in the best of spirits and everything is working out finely. I am enjoying luxuries at present that you would hardly think possible. The house where I am on duty is owned by an old French lady, and since it is under observation, and subject to a constant shell fire from the Hun artillery, she is compelled to leave it during the night.

So far my platoon has suffered no casualties and I am feeling fine. Would you believe me when I say that only yesterday I found time to take a warm bath. The orderly managed to heat some water over a few coals, thus we managed to get a real treat. Of course many things must go unthought until I return but I shall gladly forget the many unpleasant features connected with this life as long as things are going like they have been during the past week.

We had much difficulty getting our mail while traveling through France but since nearing the front it has had a chance to catch up with us and am happy to say that last night and today I was greeted with nine of the love missives. All of mother's letters up to August 23rd were received. Two very welcome letters from Lancaster were received, and needless to say they were all very welcome.

I hope you will find time to write often for nothing in this world will put us in better spirits than the letters from home. I would love to see a daily paper, and especially the home paper, but so far none have come through the mail.

The best way to send them would be to place them in envelopes and send as letters. We get some information of what is going on through headquarters and of late bulletins of victories are arriving in constant succession from every active sector of the long battle lines.

It makes one think of the dramatic scene of the messengers in the book of Job where it says "While he was yet speaking there came also another bringing news, not of disaster as to Job, but of still another victory."

This is the first I have had any time to write but only due to the fact that I am on the defensive while holding this point of resistance, and as a result it is rather quiet during the day. At night Fritz usually shows us a merry time but to date we have shown him just what it is that makes the wild cat wild.

I must close for it is time to arrange to have some rations brought up after dark, and it is about time to get ready for the big show tonight. Would you be so kind as to show this to my Lancaster and Bethany friends and also my friend Pat, if he is at the seminary this fall.

With love to all, NED.

Capt. Wilbur F. Leitzell Injured.

A cablegram, received on October 18th, by H. A. Leitzell, State College, said that his brother, Capt. Wilbur F. Leitzell, Co. A, 107th machine gun battalion, 28th division, had been wounded in France. On Wednesday word that her husband had been wounded in action on October first by a direct shell hit through the shoulder, making a hole large enough to put two hands through. He has already undergone several operations and eminent surgeons have held consultations over him, but it is not known whether his arm can be saved or not.

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HARRY OTT BELLEFONTE

Died of Influenza at South Bethlehem Last Friday.

Mr. Ott was a son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Ott and was born at Axemann twenty-one years ago. He was sent to South Bethlehem by the local board on September 19th where he was studying telegraphy. He was ill for about two weeks. He was buried at Pleasant Gap on Monday.

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Lieut. Frederick Reynolds Cited for Bravery.

In Sunday's Public Ledger, of Philadelphia, Raymond C. Carroll cites Lieut. Frederick Reynolds, son of Col. and Mrs. W. F. Reynolds, of Bellefonte, for bravery in action. In writing of the splendid work done by the trench mortar platoon of the 112th Argonne forest correspondent Carroll states that Capt. William G. Smith, who was in the charge of the platoon under Lieut. Reynolds were with us all the time, and almost up with us where we wanted them. It took a lot of will power and endurance for these men with their heavy loads to keep up with the infantry, but they did it. The men carried their guns and ammunition throughout the advance, keeping up always with the assaulting battalion.

This progress took them through the vast stretches of barbed wire, only partially cut by artillery fire, up hills which the infantry had to climb upon their hands and knees. All of which made the advance of the mortar boys extremely difficult and exhausting because of their heavy loads, yet they came out without losing any equipment.

Lieut. Reynolds after crossing to France was assigned to Company I, of the 112th infantry but was later transferred to the trench mortar battery. In this action of his superiors the little god of fortune was with him, as in the fighting on the Marne every officer in Company I was killed. At last accounts Lieut. Reynolds had gone through months of service in the front line trenches and days of incessant fighting without a scratch.

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