U. S. Order Cuts Parade Ranks Many Youngsters Win War Stamps
Sabotage originated in France
where disgruntled workmen caused
destruction by throwing their sheos
(sabots) into industrial machinery.
Last week the U. S. Government
feared sabotage of its war effort
from enemy agents masked as Hol-
lowen pranksters, ordered all
above the age of fourteen to re-
frain from covering their faces.
Because of the government's or-
der there were few older marchers
in the Back Mountain's second an-
nual Hallowe'en parace, but there

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DETECTIVE RILEY


Editorially Speaking: So, whatever you do, don't entertain any notions that to give whatever is required, and I think you know what I mean by that. I haven't much religion to speak of except those ideals I've always held before myself; justice,
honor, decency, freedom, truth. Half the people in America would suffer and die for their religion. I have my religion too-worshipless, perhaps, but I'm ready to go to the end for it.
Last Spring I wasn't sure how I felt about the war-
was it zeal or glamor? I came up here. I've regretted it several times, not becaúse I haven't enjoyed the work, but because I knew it was a compromise. Now that I know Im on my way into the army I feel better. I've
quit equivocating with my conscience. Perhaps that sounds heartless and uncaring, but you know how I'm things aside temporarily until that one thing is done There's no use trying to pretend that it's different about
this thing. My wife and family are not as important to me now as finishing what I've started. I hope that doesn't trample on anyone's feelings, but the truth, you know,

I don't suppose you'd better show this to Mother. You know what it means, of course-that I'm asking for active duty. I knew before my papers ever went in that the
final say as to where I'd go would rest with the Army Preferences won't matter a great deal, so I'm not stressing them too much when I come up for my interviews. When you hate a thing, it isn't enough to see it stamped out by somebody else you want to do some of the stamp lynch-you, 'too must have a hand in the rough t wouldn't be enough for me to see someone else win to victory in this war-I want to be in on it myself.
I haven't written this to anyone else, so I suggest that
you don't say anything to anyone about it. It may be disappointing to my brother, but I don't want him to try to
follow me. He doesn't feel quite as I do, and, besides, if he were to get into too much danger, it would be that felt for a long time, but haven't said because the spoken word is very public and can't be recalled. Perhaps, too, year of this stuff, stewing inside, It's a relief to get it off my chest-and more of a relief to move, at last, to ward what I must do.
I suppose this letter seems very mock-heroic and over-
blown. But I might as well write it to someone-I couldn't ever tell it to mother or my wife. They'd neither
of them understand all that it means to me. I think you have always understood me better than the others, even though I never confided much in anyone. Once I get in the service, you'll probably get more letters like this one.
You see, I always wanted to write, but somehow the correct medium of expression was never found, except in
things too personal for publication. But now I think I'll
start thing to write about
This is a very lengthy way of saying what could have
been said in a few words: that if the Army can't use me as officer material, then I'm going to ask them very simply if they can't use one American whose heart is in the fight
and who thinks he'd make a damn' good private or noncom. And this thing I'll say to you and you only: that price would be reasonable indeed if all I had to pay to
have these things preserved and furthered was the small Well, its getting late and I'd better finish up. Againbetter not show this letter to Mother-and keep yourselves
well. I'll probably see you soon. Love from both of us to both of you. Yur loving son

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