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Nov. 14, 1917

Mr. Earl Reed Silvers,
Rutgers College,
New Brunswick, N.J.

Dear Mr. Silvers:-

"Letter 1" received to day and contents noted.

We are haartily in favor of the War Service Bureau as set forth in the letter and see great possibilities in it. We will endeavor to give you all the news that we can from time to time and will look forward to receiving the news of the other men thru the Letters.

Personally, we two; Broome, '17 and Merritt, '19 are working in the X-Ray and electrical departments (especially the former at the present time) of what promises to be the largest American Army hospital in France. The work is very interesting and instructive, since it is a branch of the work that we studied in college. You can probably get fuller information from Broome, '21.

We have fine quarters, good food, plenty of recreation and liberty, so could hardly ask for more.

Our address is; c/o M.E.R.C., Base Hospital # 8, A.E.F. France, Via New York.

Awaiting with interest Letter 2, we are,

Sincerely yours,

Corp. Frank H. Broome '17
Wt. Frank P. Merritt '19.

December 1st. 1917.

Corporal Frank H. Broome,

Care M. E. R. C.

Base Hospital 8,

A.E.F.

France via New York.

Dear Broome:-

I want to thank you and Merritt for your interesting letter of November 14th. It is mighty good to know that you men in France are eager to keep in touch with the old college and you may be sure that we shall do everything possible to make the letters interesting to you all. Whenever you find the time, I hope that you will drop me a line and also notify me if any of the Rutgers men with whom you are in contact change their addresses.

Good luck to you both and best wishes,

Very sincerely yours,



306 THE TOWER OF LONDON. — *The Middle Tower.* — LL.

H. F. H. Broome.
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Mr. E. R. Silvers,
Rutgers College,
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Dear Silvers:-
I am here
on a fine day leave
on Sunday a fine
drive. Leave for home
on 17th & start for the
States. Many love
the drive.
The distance is
400 miles.

OFFICE OF
FIRE MARSHAL

HOSPITAL CENTER
SAVENAY

Nov.15,1918.

Dear Silvers;

The last time that I wrote to you was in reply to the first Bulletin Letter. I have often intended writing before but can't seem to find the time as for many other things. As I saw Norcum '15 and Janeway '17 today, I thought that it would be a good time for me to write. The former told me that he had just gotten his Captaincy.

We were all very sorry to hear of the death of Gill Jackson. As you probably know he went back to the States with patients as did several of the other fellows from here; Herben, Merritt, Storck, and died at his home.

For a little news from the fellows at the post here; I was the first one to get a commission but all the rest are sergeants or better. Leeds '17 and Runyon '19 are sergeants 1st class; Johnson '17, Bracher and Herben '18, Merritt, Voorhees and Storck '20 are Sergeants. Miner '19 is also a sergeant 1st class and sergeant major.

The people over here went just about crazy when the armistice was signed, I should like to tell you something that went on in the cities near here but with about a hundred moving picture machines and a few thousand phonographs, I think that you might record the doings in only an extremely small spot. It was something like New Years Eve in New York, a couple of mardi gras, a Sunday afternoon at Coney Island and a few other similar gatherings thrown in one and then some. Luckily the weather was fair for it all.

We are quite busy here now and I guess that we are good for another year.

There is not a great deal to write about just at present so I think that I will call quits. With best of luck to you,

Sincerely,

Frank H. Broome '17

Lt. Frank H. Broome, San. Corps,
U.S. Army Base Hospital #8,
American E.F.,
France,
Via New York City.

December 18, 1918.

Lieutenant Frank H. Broome,
Sanitary Corps,
U.S. Army Base Hospital #8,
American Ex. Forces,
France via New York City.

Dear Broome:-

It is good to have your letter of November 16th. I think that you are the only one outside of Tandy Bracher who has written from Hospital No 8 and I greatly appreciate your thought of the college and the War Service Bureau. It is fine to hear that all of our men have done so well. May I congratulate you on your commission? Please remember me to the rest of the boys when you see them and tell them to try to write whenever possible. I do hope that you will all get back to this country within the next few months.

Very sincerely yours,

Savenay, France, Jan, 5, 1919

Dear Silvers;

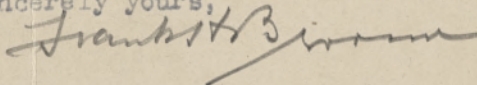
Yours of Dec. 5th, with Alumni Ass'n bill enclosed, was received two days ago. The original Base Hospital #8 expects to leave for the States within a very short time and I shall take care of the payment at that time. I shall send you a change of address just as soon as I hit New York or any place in the good old U.S.A. I shall try to get down to College just as soon as I get back too.

I was up in Paris two days ago and ran across Cope Herbert (Capt) and also ran around to the A.R.C.M. Hospital #2 and saw Serg. Major Herb Boes. As you probably know Doc Herben has been sent back to the States after some illness. Per usual, while in Paris I went around to the University Union and registered; my 4th time, I think. Some of us have a little more luck than others.

I trust that this short note finds you O.K. and the College running as before the war. I have a little personal news to tell but shall reserve it until I see you.

Best regards,

Sincerely yours,



Lt. Frank H. Broome, San. Corps,
U.S. Army Base Hospital #8,
American E.F., France, Via New York City.

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Earl Reed Silvers

Rutgers College

New Brunswick, N. J.

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Dear Sibors:-

Am now on my
way back to the States. My
address from now on will be
2684 Hudson Boulevard,
Jersey City N.J.,
New Jersey.

Yours

Frank H. Browne

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my St. Louis copy