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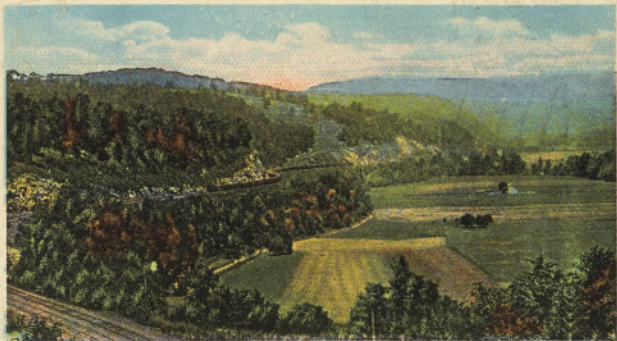
ALUMNI HOUSE

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

Oct. 28, 1917
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My dear Silvers:-

I will be very glad indeed to keep posted on all College and campus activities. Will give you some news of the men at Camp as soon as time allows. Yours in Rutgers,
Russell Mendenhall '17.

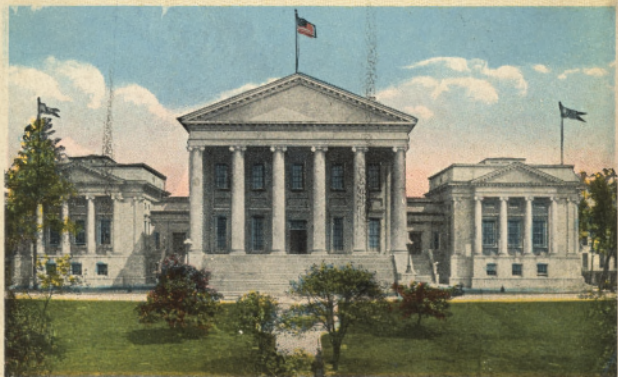


VIRGINIA.

The roses nowhere bloom so white
 As in Virginia;
 The sunshine nowhere shines so bright
 As in Virginia;
 The birds sing nowhere quite so sweet
 And nowhere hearts so lightly beat,
 For Heaven and Earth both seem to meet
 Down in Virginia.

There is nowhere a land so fair
 As in Virginia,
 So full of song, so free of care,
 As in Virginia;
 And I believe that happy land
 The Lord's prepared for mortal man,
 Is built exactly on the plan
 Of Old Virginia.

The days are never quite so long
 As in Virginia;
 Nor quite as filled with happy song.
 As in Virginia;
 And when my time has come to die,
 Just take me back and let me lie
 Close to where the James goes rolling by
 Down in Virginia.



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THIS SPACE FOR ADDRESS ONLY.

Mr. Carl Red Simon,
 Alumni Sec.,

Ruiger College,

New Brunswick, N.J.
 (Camp, New Port News)

C.T. AMERICAN ART

My dear Carl:- Monday P.M.
 Reached here N.Y. (Co. H, 48th Inf., Cassino)
 pleased with grilleman's banquets
 and 'cals'. 'Dev' White is assigned
 to Headquarters of the 48th. I am one
 of the lacking officers detailed to
 guard the extensive coal wharves
 here. If you want
 my pictures ask
 my mother.
 Yours is Ruiger
 Carl Red Simon

MERRY CHRISTMAS



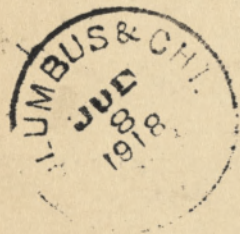
HAPPY NEW YEAR

MERRY CHRISTMAS



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Earl Reed Silvers

Rutgers College

New Brunswick, N. J.

July 8, 1918.

My dear Silvers:-

My address remains the same.

Appreciate each and every copy of the Bulletin,
which nobly indicates your extensive work.
Keep up the good work; will send you some
'cope' and a photo real soon.

Yours in old Rutgers,

Gen. Russell H. Anderson '18.

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187 SOUTH HIGH STREET
COLUMBUS, OHIO

July 23, 1918.

My dear Silvers:-

Since you make such an urgent appeal to the fellows to write you some communication before August the first, here goes.

There isn't a copious amount to say since I have not as yet been sent to the Field. At the present I am stationed at the Aviation School here in the city of Columbus awaiting orders for the Field. Military prudence prevents me from saying as much as I should like to. The Aviation program is a monstrous one and is thrashing along with all permissible speed from the standpoints of production(I have reference to the ceaseless activity and output of the Wilbur Wright plant at Dayton not so far from here) and the training of men, which I am connected with closely at the Aviation School in Columbus. The most impressive characteristic of the student aviators is their constant buoyancy of spirit all thru their fiendish course,--believe me it is fiendish for no thirty-five hour a week course at college can beat it. Its get up to the sound of an awesome reveille in the silent morn, keep time and action to the incessant buzzing of the motors and the wireless apparatus', as well as to the commands of SQUADS EAST, GUIDE HIGH on the parching campus of the Ohio State University, and then to bed at ten every night with a healthy snore and an occasional kick in the jaw from some careless as well as awkward Officer of the Day who can't always navigate

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in a 'military manner' on his nocturnal tours of inspection.

I have been in command of Doughboys and will never forget the 'old dears' (as the British Officers now call the American Infantrymen), but for spirit, pep, and all around deviltry you've got to go some to beat these young air-birds.

Here's expressing my appreciation again for the efficient service of the War Bureau of Rutgers, and with hopes of getting some more lines to you in the near future, I remain,

Sincerely yours in old Rutgers,

Gildersleeve '18

C. Russell Gildersleeve,
1st. Lieut. / A.S. / Sig. R.C.

School of Military Aeronautics,
Ohio State University,
Columbus, Ohio.

July 30, 1918.

Lieut. C. Russell Gildersleeve,
School of Military Aeronautics,
Ohio State University,
Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Russell,

Thank you for your interesting letter of July 23.
It is good to hear of your work, and we appreciate your thought-
fulness in writing us.

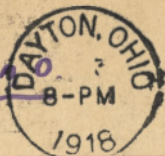
With kindest personal regards,

Cordially yours,

O. RUSSELL GILDERSLEEVE

1ST. LIEUT. A. S. A.
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Tech. Sect., D.M.A., Dayton, Ohio.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

For:-

Mr. Earl Reed Silvers,
Director War Svc. Bureau,
Rutgers College,
New Brunswick, N. J.

Dec. 3/18.

Just a word,
Silvers, appreciating
all of the service
rendered by the
Bureau. I may be
retained in the
service. Have a
good location here
at day is. Looking
forward to a visit
to Ruizus sometime
around Xmas.
Very sincerely,
L. H. Silvers

December 8, 1918

Lieut. C. Russell Gildersleeve,

Assistant Adjutant,

Division of Military Aeronautics,

Dayton, Ohio

Dear Gildersleeve,

I do not think that there is any chance at present for you to receive your degree without returning to college and completing your course. If any new ruling is made I shall advise you.

With all good wishes,

Cordially yours,

WAR DEPARTMENT
DIVISION OF MILITARY AERONAUTICS
TECHNICAL SECTION
DAYTON SAVINGS AND TRUST BUILDING
DAYTON, OHIO

December 11, 1918.

From: Personnel Officer.

To: Mr. Earl A. Silvers, '13, Managing Editor of the Rutgers College Quarterly, New Brunswick, N. J.

Subject: Peace Celebration in Dayton.

1. There is not a great deal to tell in regard to the peace celebration in the city of Dayton. It is by nature a rather quiet and characteristically placid western city. However, a few of the following incidents did occur.

2. Soon after the fake announcement of peace, the entire steam of the city of Dayton blew through its whistle outlets a terrific noise of simultaneous action. At 2 P.M. November 7, 1918, Main Street-- a real big street-- went wild. I have the privilege of having my office in one of the city's skyscrapers. Viewing the activities from my office window I could hardly recognize people in the streets due to the terrific downpour of torn-up scraps of paper thrown from the tops of buildings presenting the greatest camouflage of a snow storm I have ever seen. Even 'movie' houses were displaying true sentiments of peace by placing their orchestras out on the sidewalks, exposing them to the amusement and "kidding" of the Broadway-like crowds. Despite the coolness of the weather, this was no time to worry whether or not bald-headed men without their caps would be susceptible to the "Flu." Hats were thrown in the air--and possibly the bank roll of the wild well-to-do citizens, -- and a general riot reigned supreme. My personal delight was in walking in a rather risqué manner along the edge of my skyscraper, some nine stories high, thinking to myself and exclaiming to others, "Lord, how these people make a fuss over peace. Just imagine the genuine feeling of happiness in the hearts of the lucky men who have gotten overseas. Here we are pumping up our lungs with the healthy air of a peaceful city and shouting with glee at the idea of peace and the only thing we have to our credit is the Battle of Dayton, engagements and skirmishes with the fair sex, and a 'comfy' bed at all times." One of the bystanders apparently not so moved outwardly as inwardly exclaimed, "You know when there is shouting there is always somebody on the job; when there is action, it is entirely a different matter." There is more truth than fiction in these words. Not that this man was a 'kill-joy' but he was one who felt in all sincerity the happiness which comes to any American upon the completion of this horrible European bloodshed.

3. On Sunday, November 17, 1918, Dayton brought out her full personnel in a monstrous demonstration parade. This parade was about something like those we have in the east with the exception that numerous baby tanks, which are made at the factory of the Maxwell Corporation in this city, displayed their agile movements along the course of the parade, by doing hand springs and seeing how close they could escape the bystanders.

4. As to thrift, patriotism and progressiveness, this town is no slacking "Burg".

Yours in old Rutgers,

C. Russell Gildersleeve

C. RUSSELL GILDERSLEEVE,
~~1st Lt. U.S.A.~~

December 16, 1918.

Lieut. C. Russell Gildersleeve,

Dayton Savings and Trust Building,

Dayton, Ohio.

My dear Lieut. Gildersleeve:-

I acknowledge with appreciation your letter of December 11th, giving an account of the peace celebration in the city of Dayton. It is very good of you to respond so quickly to our appeal.

Very sincerely yours,

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EARL REED SILVERS,

RUTGERS COLLEGE,

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

To the Director of the War Service Bureau:

Count on me to be present at the WAR SERVICE
DINNER on Monday evening, June 9th. I am going to
try to get down in time for the Princeton game in the
afternoon, and I hope to stay over for Commencement.

Russell Gildersleeve
Name and Class ~~G. RUSSELL GILDERSLEEVE~~ !18.

Military rank and branch...1st..Lieut.; Air Svc.

WAR DEPARTMENT
BUREAU OF AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION
AIRPLANE ENGINEERING DIVISION
DAYTON SAVINGS BUILDING

MEMORANDUM FOR

Mr. Earl Reed Silvers.

DAYTON, OHIO.

June 7, 1919.

Subject: Personal.

My dear Silvers:-

Will you dispose of the enclosed for me and gather the information contained thereon? In accordance with your request in the last circular letter I am sending you some war-time pictures.

Yours in Rutgers,

Gildersleeve
Gildersleeve.

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