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Medical Detachment 302d Inf N. A.
Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass., Sep 9, 1917.

1917

Earl Reed Silvers, B. A.
Asst to the Prest.
Rutgers College
New Brunswick, N. J.

Dear sir:-

Your letter of Aug 31 is received.

1. No commission
2. Ferdinand W. Haasis, '11, private, Medical
Dept, USA, (clerk, Regimental Infirmary, 302d Inf N. A.).
3. Not drafted.

Very truly yours,

Ferdinand W. Haasis

Regimental Infirmary,
302 Inf NA



Camp Debens,
Ayer, Massachusetts

Nov. 11, 1917.

Rutgers Alumni Quarterly.
Gentlemen: -

Beg to advise that I am
engaged to

Bessie Ely Amernatt, B.A., R.N., B.S., Φ .B.K.

Very truly yours,
Ferdinand W. Haasis '11
B.Sc., M.F., Φ .B.K.

Regtl Infm
302 Infma



Camp Devens,
Ayer, Massachusetts

December 16, 1917

Earl Reed Silvers,
Alumni House,
New Brunswick N.J.

Reg to advise that I am
the author of "Dying of
Young Pines in Circles
about Antihills", Journal
of Forestry", v. 15 pp 763-771,
(Oct., 1917).

Very truly,
Ferdinand W Haas



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1st. Inf. Co.,
Officers' Training Camp,
Camp Devens, Mass.
January 8, 1918

Rutgers Alumni Quarterly,
New Brunswick, N.J.

Gentlemen:-

Please note the above change
in my address, effective
since yesterday. Some
of us were non-coms, some
(a few) privates in our
former units, but now are
all "candidates". I was one
of 6 privates out of 56 men
sent from the 302 Inf.

Very truly yours,
Ferdinand W. Haasis



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4th Inf. Co.,
Officers' Training Camp,
Camp Devens, Mass

February 3, 1918

Rutgers Alumni Quarterly,
New Brunswick, N.J.

Gentlemen: -

To enclose a photograph
which may be of interest
to you.

Very truly,

Ferdinand W. Haasis '11

February 7, 1918.

Mr. Ferdinand W. Haasis,
4th Inf. Co.,
Officers' Training Camp
Camp Devens, Mass.

Dear Ferdinand:

I acknowledge with appreciation the
photograph which you sent to the Alumni Quarterly
on February 3rd.

With kindest personal regards,

Very truly yours,

Assistant to the Treasurer

ERS/11VH

Regtl. Infy. 302 Inf. U.S.A.,
Camp Devens, Mass.,
May 8, 1918.

Dear Reed,

While we're waiting to know definitely what's going to happen to us next as a result of the O.T.C. work, I've been returned to my old organization as you see from the above address.

Here I have been appointed lance corporal, and designated as instructor in map-reading. I have a lecture in the morning and get in the practical work on our morning and afternoon hikes. So many of our men are demanded for special details that it's necessary to repeat my work about three times before I can be sure they've all gotten it. I also have some general coaching to do in connection with the drills. The latter drills are rather

different from those with the
rifle, but the general principles
involved are quite similar, so
I'm not so very much an alien.

(I find I've had an article
published in the Nov. (1917) "Plant
World", "Comparative Length of
Growing Season of Ring - Porous
and Diffuse - Porous Woods", vol 10,
pp. 354-6.)

You received the announcement,
(did you not?), of my marriage on
Feb. 23 to Bessie Ely Amerman.

Very truly yours,
Ferdinand W. Haasis.

May 13, 1918.

Ferdinand W. Haasis,
Regt. Infy. 302 Inf. N. A.
Camp Devens, Mass.

Dear Ferdinand:

Thank you very much for your letter of May 8th
giving me your new address and telling me of your article published
in Plant World. I did not receive the notice of your marriage but
I am surely glad to hear about it and send you all the best wishes
for your happiness.

Very truly yours,

Director.

ERS/H



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

EARL REED SILVERS,
RUTGERS COLLEGE
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

May 19, 1918

Present address:

1st Co.

4th Officers' Training Camp
Camp Devens, Mass.

Ferdinand W. Haasis '11



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June 29, 1918

E.R. Silvers,

New Brunswick, N.J.

Dear Reed,

My present address is:
6th Co., Cent., O.T.C., Camp
Lee, Va.

We arrived here from
Camp Devens yester-
day. It's rather like Arkansas in 1913.

Very truly yours
Ferdinand W. Haasis

'11

July 10
1918.

Candidate Ferdinand W. Haasis,
6th Co., Central O.T.C.,
Camp Lee, Va.

Dear Ferdinand:

I think that the following Rutgers
men are at the Officers' Training Camp at Camp
Lee, Va., but I have been unable to get in touch
with them. If you will look them up, if possible,
and drop me a line giving me their companies, I
shall be very grateful:

Rudolph Elmer '17
A. F. Hope '17
Arthur E. Mercker '15
Clarence A. Morey '16
H. R. Peebles '12

Most cordially yours,

P.S. I believe that they have been transferred
from Camp Meade.

6th Co., Central Officers' Training School,
Camp Lee, Va.,
August 11, 1918

Earl Reed Silvers,
New Brunswick, N.J.

Dear Reed,

Your letter of July 10 is long
unanswered.

I tried to locate the men
you mentioned among the Custer
Battalion, but they don't seem
to be there. (I believe some of
the Custer men were sent from
Meade). I wasn't able to make
a very thoro search, and have
not gone thru the new battalions,
which I believe are from Upton.
I understand there is a Rutgers
man in the E.O.T.C. Y.M.C.A. (next
^{one} to ours) but I never get over there.

Thank you for the "Quarterly".
I see a couple of Lee addresses
there. Have not had time to look
up even my own classmates here.
Very truly yours,
Ferdinand W. Haasis '11.

August 13
1918

Candidate Ferdinand W. Haasis
6th Company, Central O.T.C.,
Camp Lee, Va.

Dear Ferdinand:

I appreciate your efforts in my behalf and thank you for attempting to get in touch with the men I mentioned. It is a hard job, I know. Don't forget to advise me of your location when you leave the training school.

With all good wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

ERS/W



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Co. F., 5th Provisional Regt.,
161st Depot Brigade,
Camp Grant, Ill.

September 8, 1918

Dear Silvers,

I missed out again on my commission, and after a brief visit with Mrs. Haasis was shipped out here.

Another man and I are in charge of about a hundred "limited service" men who have just come in, and have not yet been examined. They are disqualified for active "general service" by reason of various physical defects, even to the extent of missing hands or arms. I am not sure just what our

duties will be, but suppose we shall have to put them thru the rudiments of drill and discipline, and then lose them about as soon as we begin to see some signs of development - for this is the way Depot Brigades are run. This company has about 400 of these men, under the command of a 2^d Lieutenant.

We are expecting to get noncom. warrants before long. Beyond that I don't know what our prospects are. It looks somewhat as tho we were stuck here, with little or no chance for an overseas assignment. Next Sunday I'll probably have a much better idea of how things are headed.

Very truly yours,
Ferdinand W. Haasis



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Headquarters, Inf. Replacement and Training Troops,
Camp Grant, Ill.,

September 22, 1918

Rutgers Alumni Assⁿ
New Brunswick, N.J.
Gentlemen:-

I have been appointed
Battalion Sergeant Major,
3^d Bn., Inf. Repl. and Trg. Troops,
retroactive to August 24th.
The 3^d Battalion is yet to
be formed, but I am kept
very busy in the head-
quarters personnel
office

Very truly yours,
Ferdinand W. Hains

'11.

September 25
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Sergt. Major Ferdinand W. Haasis
3rd Sn., Inf. Repl & Trg Troops
Camp Grant, Ill.

Dear Ferd:

I was glad to have your letter of
September 22nd telling me of your new appoint-
ment. Congratulations and all best wishes for
success, at Camp Grant.

Cordially yours,

ERS/G