

New Brunswick, N.J.
Sept. 4, 1917.

Mr. Earl Reed Silvers,
New Brunswick, N.J.
My dear Mr. Searles,

In compliance with your request of
Aug. 31st, I am herewith giving you the
following information. I have been
drafted, and am to be sent to Wrights-
tonton, N.J. Sept. 5, 1917.

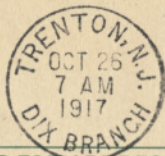
Herman J. Levine, 15, Div. #1, Middlesex Co. N.J.

I would have volunteered for the
"Officers Reserve Corps", had I not been ad-
vised that I was serving my country in
a greater and more valuable capacity, by
remaining with the N.J. Experiment Station, as
"Asst. In Veg. Gardening".

Thanking you for the interest you
have taken in this matter, I hope your
endeavors will prove successful. I try to
remain

Most sincerely yours
Herman J. Levine.

P.S. I feel especially fitted for the Quar-
termaster Corps.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



EARL REED SILVERS

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NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

From:-

Herman J. Levine '95

Co. G. 311 Inf.

Camp Dix

N. J.

2nd Battery, 1st Batin,
41st Div. F.A.R.R.
A. S. F. France.
Feb. 17, 1918.

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

My dear Mr. Silvers,

Had thought of writing you
several days ago, but was unable
to find the prescribed card for
announcing a change in address,
which was so convenient to use, and
more easily filed for your own use.
I am now sure I lost it, and there-
fore resort to the letter.

As the address reveals, I am
now "somewhere in France" doing my
bit in what most men call a very
interesting branch of the service —
the artillery.

Will be very thankful to you
if you will kindly change my address
on your register, and have my mail

sent to address indicated on the envelope. Would be very glad to know if there are others from Putgers, in the same Division with me, especially of the class 1915.

Have been fortunate in obtaining several souvenirs, but due to -
censorship, I will hold back my reasons for considering them as souvenirs, and also the description of the same. However, as soon as I get the "Kaiser's Head," I will flash the news across uncensored along with names and descriptions of other souvenirs that I may be able to have added to the collection I now have.

Sincerely yours,

Herman J. Levine
Putgers 1915.

March 11, 1918.

Private Herman J. Levine,
2nd Battery, 1st Bat.
41st Division, F. A. R. R.
A. E. F., France.

Dear Levine:

Thank you for your letter of February 17th containing your new address. I did not know that you had left Camp Dix and the word is appreciated. I do not know of any Rutgers men in your detachment at the present time but if I hear of any, I shall drop you a line.

With good wishes,

very cordially yours,

Director.

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HEADQUARTERS OF THE
EMERGENCY AID OF PENNSYLVANIA

July, 20, 1918.

Dr. Demarest,
New Brunswick, N.J.

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My dear Dr. Demarest,

Just a line to let you know, I am feeling fine, enjoying the blessings of good health and in the best of spirits, and I hope this letter finds you in similar conditions. Since my entrance in the army, I have had the pleasure of serving Uncle Sam in various branches of the service, being transferred from infantry, to artillery, to gas service, and finally in the Quartermaster Corps. In each case, I was transferred at the request of my superiors, who sought and are seeking at present, to utilize my services to the best advantage. For the last season, I now find myself in the Garden Service, Quartermaster Corps.

Our object is to reclaim the devastated lands of France. We employ such men who are unfit for active military service at the front, but who wish to do their bit in "downing" Kaiserism and the Hun. The products of these farms are sent to the soldiers at the front, so that they may have fresh vegetables daily which they relish so much. At the same time our work will lessen the necessity of food.

importation and thereby allow more tonnage for the other was material which we need. With the foregoing facts in mind, this movement promises to become one of the most important in obtaining the victory we so much desire and hope for. In connection with our work, there is also being worked out a ration which will prove more beneficial to the consumer and more favorable to the government which will supply it. The work is very pleasant and very interesting, being the line of work for which I was trained by my Alma Mater, and by my experience during college vacations and subsequent to graduation in my relation with the U. S. Experiment Station, under Dr. Lipman.

My Chief has advised me to hand him ~~my~~ application for a commission in this line of work, as I am the only college graduate with an agricultural training and agricultural experience to take up this line of work. In addition to my application and the recommendations I am to receive from Capt. Coulter and Lieut. Lindstrom, I am to have several recommendations from home. With that object in view, may I request you to send me a letter of recommendation stating my college training, the fact that I was especially trained by pursuing the Horticultural course for the work I am now doing, and also that I was a Second Lieutenant during my senior year, and any other such facts that you deem advisable to insert in a letter of recommendation. Dr. Lipman and Registrar Martin may inform you with reference to my college



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career, character, etc. allow me to impress upon you the necessity of sending me your letter as soon as you possibly can, so that I may present the same for immediate action which my Chief, Capt. Coulter, desires.

Thanking you in advance for any interest you take in this matter, and any favor you may thereby confer upon me, I beg to remain

Most sincerely yours

Herman J. Levine
Rutgers 15.

(Supt. H. J. Levine.

Garden Service, Q. M. C.

A. P. O. 702, A. E. F.

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Sgt. W. J. Lunnie
Land Service, P. M. C.
A. P. O. 702, A. E. F.

Earl Reed Silvers

Rutgers College

New Brunswick, N. J.



July. 31, 1918.

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Am located at ~~██████████~~, with the
Garden Service. Quartermaster Corps.
Allow me to congratulate you on the
success of the "Service Letter." It certainly
is a treat to be put in touch with
our Alma Mater at such "long
range." My change in address you will
note on other letter.

H. J. Lewis

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

August 7, 1918

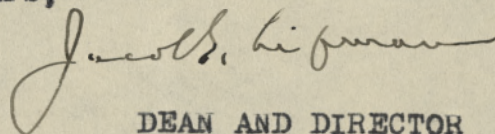
Dr. William H. S. Demarest,
Rutgers College,
New Brunswick, N. J.

Dear Doctor Demarest:

One of the former employes of the Experiment Station, Mr. Herman J. Levine, is trying to qualify for a commission in the Quartermaster's Department. Mr. Levine is now employed as one of the instructors in vegetable production and is evidently proving himself worthy of confidence. I trust, therefore, that you will feel free to write a letter of recommendation in his behalf and to send it to him in care of the Garden Service, Quartermaster's Corps, American Expeditionary Force, Versailles, France.

You may recall that Mr. Levine was a member of the Class of 1915 and was employed, until his joining the military service of the United States, as foreman in vegetable gardening at the New Jersey State Agricultural Experiment Station.

Sincerely yours,



DEAN AND DIRECTOR

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August 8
1918

Dr. J. G. Lipman,
College Farm,
City.

My dear Dr. Lipman:

President Demarest has prepared
and forwarded the recommendation suggested
by Sergeant Herman J. Levine in a recent
letter and mentioned in your communication
of August 7th.

Cordially yours,

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Assistant to the President.

August 8
1918

Sergt. Herman J. Levine,
Garden Service, Q.M.C.
A.P.O. 702,
American Ex. Forces

Dear Mr. Levine:

Dr. Demarest has written the
recommendation suggested in your letter of
July 20th . I wish you all good fortune in
your application for commission.

Sincerely yours,

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Oct.19,'18

From H.J.Levine, Sgt.

Dear Dr. Lipman:-

Have received your bulletins on Soul Protozoa, Soil Sterilization, Report, etc., and turned them over to Lieut. Trauffant, who was highly pleased to receive them.

At the time that I was at Lieut. Trauffant's home, I had the honor and pleasure of meeting Prof. Taylor of the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture. No doubt his mission is well known to you, so it will be unnecessary for me to inform you on that point. But, in addition, he imparted some very interesting information to me, which will give me a higher sense of appreciation, of Lieut. Trauffant's work and his position in the scientific world. Lieut. Trauffant and Prof. Taylor have known one another for the past twenty five years. Even as far back as twenty five years ago, Lieut. Trauffant's station has been considered a shrine for the latest and most advanced scientific principles on

subjects bearing on horticulture. You can therefore imagine what it is today; a privately owned and privately maintained experiment station. Lieut Trauffant has a collection of about 3,000,000 insects, a photographic collection of 7000 plates of which 10% are colored, and enough data collected on entymology, pathology, horticulture and its related subjects, which would invoke the lifetime of several men to compile. Not only is Lieut. Trauffant a scientist, but a thorough business man as well. He does not believe that a scientist must not reap the harvest of his labors. He believes, and has demonstrated, that science and business are not enimical to one another, but on the contrary can be so arranged as to support one another. Bearing the latter statement in mind, you will readily see how his ideas have been put into actual practice. Lieut. Trauffant publishes his own magazine, which has a subscription list of 50,000; a commercial patronage of 60,000 customers from all parts of France. His system and arrangement of business and office matters, are just wonderful. The most pleasant days

I spent in France, were the days spent in company with Lieut. Trauffant. I am the proud possessor of a testimonial unasked for of the work I have been privileged to do under the observation, and after careful consultation with Lieut. Trauffant. Enclosed you will find a copy which I know you will be pleased to read and retain. Prof. Taylor spoke to me of plans to be arranged whereby agricultural graduates will be allowed to study in European countries. I don't know exactly what these plans are but I should very much like to know what they are. Furthermore, feeling especially fit for any undertaking which may be assigned to me, by virtue of my training and education, both at home and abroad, I beg to be considered at the opportune time when selections are to be made. Incidentally, my French acquired in college comes in very useful.

The news we receive daily fill our hearts with joy and the expectation of an early peace. However, our efforts have not been lessened in the least. Plans upon plans are being made to increase our acreage under cultivation, and the in-

auguration of more efficient methods for the production of larger crops. The work of the Americans, in whatever channels, is something the French will always refer back to with praise, and will always bring pleasant memories to those who were engaged in it, filling them with the greatest of pride. The French have already recognized Yankee ingenuity, and no newspaper is complete if it does not mention some feat accomplished by "Yankee" in 'double-time' fashion.

With best wishes and regards to the other members of the station,

I beg to remain

Most sincerely yours,