

WAR SERVICE BUREAU
OF
RUTGERS COLLEGE
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

EARL REED SILVERS '13
DIRECTOR

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO THE DIRECTOR

ESTABLISHED FOR THE PURPOSE OF KEEPING RUTGERS MEN IN
TOUCH WITH RUTGERS AND WITH ONE ANOTHER

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(signed) EARL REED SILVERS,

Director.

Frank S. Morris.

2095389

42nd Canadians, R.H.C. = (Royal Highlanders, Canada)

Canadian Expeditionary Force

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NOTIFY US AT ONCE OF ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS

from Frank S. Morris '18:

CANADIAN



France

March 12 1918

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We are looking for Fort's onslaught - rather eagerly, I might say, for we are certainly ready for him; and our hope is to be able to beat him until the Yankees can get over an sufficient numbers to turn the tide.

My address is St. #2075359, 42nd Canadian, B.C.F. Forces and I shall certainly be glad to get the news again.

Yours in 'old Rutyns'
F. Mulrooney 24 '18

From Private Frank S. Morris '18

France, March 12, 1918.

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My address is still No. 2073389, 42nd Canadian B. E. F., France, and I shall certainly be glad to get the news again.



May 28, 1918

My dear Mr. Wilson,

I have been receiving
your interesting letters right along
and am always glad to get the news
to hand. I have those of April 27 &
29 which are especially interesting
on account of the particulars regarding
the American University Union in Paris
whose hospitality I intend to take
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front line — via England.



I have not met any Rutgers fellows yet but from your list of those who have registrations in Paris, that is the place to find them.

Considering the course of the past two months, I have seen comparatively very little - surely perhaps. But there is lots of time yet.

For some time I have been attached to the Canadian Forest. in the forward area which is very good work. Doing only a temporary job. I am still in the strength of the vegetation; so there is no change of address.

Many thanks for your letters & Lewis hoping they continue.

Yours as ever Rutgers

P. H. Morris '18

May 28, 1918.

My dear Mr. Silvers:-

Have been receiving your interesting letters right along and am always glad to get the news. To hand I have those of April 17, or 24 which are especially interesting on account of the particulars regarding the American University Union in Paris whose hospitality I intend to take advantage of at the earliest opportunity and that is when furlough opens up.

I have had quite a number of Americans lately belonging to companies attached to Imperial units. There were a couple of New York boys who were going up the line as observers just for the experience. They established a record I have never heard beaten: twenty-two days from New York to the front line- via England.

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Considering the events of the past two months I have seen comparatively very little- luckily perhaps. But there is lots of time yet.

For some time I have been attached to the Canadian Y.M.C.A. on the forward area which is very good work. Having only a temporary job I am still on the strength of the battalion, so there is no change of address.

Many thanks for your letters and here's hoping they continue.

Yours in old Rutgers,

Frank S. Morris, '18.

Frank Morris

June 10
1918.

Mr. J. W. Morris,
55 Oak Ave.,
Metuchen, N.J.

My dear Mr. Morris:

I have heard indirectly that your son Frank has been severely wounded in action on the Western front. Here at the College we are very anxious to keep in touch with all our Rutgers men now in the war and we shall be very grateful to you if you will let us know if the report is true and will give us whatever details you may have. The War Service Bureau received a letter from Frank about six weeks ago saying that he expected a German attack at that time but that his regiment was in the best of spirits and confident of success.

Very sincerely yours,

ERS/W

Director.

June 28,
1918.

Private Frank S. Morris,
42nd Canadians, R.H.C.
Canadian Expeditionary Forces,
France.

Dear Mr. Morris:

Your letters are also welcome, but this one is especially so as reports have been going around that you were severely wounded in action early in May so you see we are mighty glad to have your word of May 28th.

I do hope that you will meet some Rutgers men the next time you get to Paris. A good many of them are in France now and sometime or other you are bound to come across one. I know that they would be mighty pleased to shake hands with one of their college mates who have been through the thick of the fight as you have. Keep on sending your letters whenever you have time to write. I am publishing one in the July issue of the Quarterly which I hope will reach you sometime in July or early in August.

With the best of good luck.

Cordially yours,

FRS/W



France
August 26 1918

My dear Mr. Silvers,

While there is a moment to spare, I feel it a duty and certainly a great pleasure to thank you for your interesting letters which have been coming regularly - no fact more so than any other mail lately, and also for the July "Alumni Quarterly" which came the other day. They give you a pleasure which is hard to describe - on account of the peculiar circumstances, I suppose. But it is a feeling of encouragement and confidence which makes the world feel less so small. Not officiously, it brings back the old times and experiences very close and keeps that deep affection for our Alma Mater glowing.



Our experiences in the last few months have been so numerous and over such a large area that it would be impossible to tell you all about them in a short letter.

Not long ago in a French cemetery up in Support I met ^{for the} first ~~few~~ time a fellow whom I knew before entering; and he happened to be a fraternity brother from Lafayette. A number of its non-coms from his unit happened to be in for experience, and an Imperial division immediately on our right. And as luck would have it the afternoon before we pulled out ~~in~~ he stroked into our Cemetery in a futile search for some American acquaintances. I fired him up as well as I could and incidentally gave

have a good impression of what
the Canadian Y.M.C.A. is doing
for the boys. Unlike most other
organizations it caters to everybody
so far as is possible; and considering
that it plans for its own four
divisions only it does pretty well.

About a week after that I was
even more fortunate. I got to
know of the approximate location
of the 3rd Inf. who are from
Camp Dix and whom you probably
saw there. After finding them,
I immediately looked up the Meluch
boys — and then they were all
looking healthier and happier than
I ever saw them — Arthur Rowland,
Bob. McKenzie's brother, Bert and
numerous others. I spent the night



went them and had a grand time; and as you can imagine, was very loth to leave them for goodness knows, which I shall be able to see them again before we get back.

After that we had some of the best fun down in the Anvers front when our boys put over a great job. They advanced so rapidly the first few days that it was impossible to keep up with them with the Centauros. But considering the difficulties in getting transportation during a push we did very well, to the great delight of the French who were on our right.

Now we are in the most beautiful city of France I have seen yet. Being very close to the line it is almost

deserted. To see our boys marching
 over the broad pass, in battle
 order whistling and singing to beat
 a band is more than an impressive sight.
 Before we know it, they will be in
 and over again and end on their
 way to Deutschland.

Then before, I believe, has the
 morale of the Allied troops being
 higher and ~~stronger~~ the German news
 looked so dejected. From now on it
 is going to be one continuous march
 though - slow perhaps but as sure
 as it is a God of Justice above.

But you fellows get all this news -
 sometimes before we do; so there is
 no use to try to put anything over
 to war correspondents.

J. J. My best wishes and many thanks
 Mavis

September 24
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Mr. F. S. Morris,
2075389
42nd Canadians R.H.C.
Canadian Ex. Forces

Dear Dick:

Your letter of August 26th reached me this morning. It is very good of you to write me when you are so busy with other things and I appreciate your loyal interest. I can imagine just how pleased you were to meet the Metuchen boys so far from home and after such a long absence. I hope that you will see them again sometime soon and that you will come through the big adventure safe and sound.

With the best of good wishes,

Cordially yours,

ERS/G

France

October 4 1918

My dear Mr. Silsen,

I'm not thank I am
becoming as ardent a correspondent as
some infatuated lovelorn - not quite but
nearly so. Every one of your interesting
letters deserves an acknowledgement;
and although it would smother you with
correspondence it would at least show
that we appreciate the valuable time
you spend on the welfare of the boys.
Everyone of the Rutgers fellows hears
from a France mentioning the "War
Service Bureau" letters and the
pleasure derived and all intend to
stay at the "Union" in Paris when
their long expected leave arrives. Mine,
I expect is coming through quite soon

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I may have the pleasure before most
of the boys from "Tuesis".

Along with the letter, I am sending
you a program of the Canadian Corps
Sports, held every year, which, if not
classed as a Tournament, may prove
interesting. Like the Tanks, the Canadians
are great on any kind of sport, and
though the Y.M.C.A. they are able to
indulge in almost every sport they
are accustomed to at home, except
of course, skating, tobogganing and the rest
of the winter sports.

Thanking you again and hoping
your letter Entimus. % 3rd Division Y.M.C.A.
Canadian Corps
France

Sincerely F.S. Morris 24 '18

October 30 1918

Frank S. Morris,
3rd Division Y.M.C.A.
Canadian Corps,
France

Dear Frank:

You can never write too many letters for us. It is always good to hear from you and we appreciate more than we can say your loyal interest in the college and all her activities.

Your latest letter of October 4th, has just been received, and with it has come the program which you mentioned and which is a valuable addition to our collection. Thank you very much for sending it.

I hope that by this time you are enjoying your leave in Paris, and that you will come across some of the Rutgers men you knew in your college days.

Cordially yours,