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1182 BROADWAY  
NEW YORK.

CHARLES E. PATTISON  
FRANK A. PATTISON

September 18th, 1917.

MR. EARL REED SILVERS,  
Alumni House,  
New Brunswick, N. J.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of the 14th inst. asking for information in regard to my son, Walworth P. Pattison, was duly received.

When he finished his course at Fort Meyers, he chose Aviation as his branch of the service. From Fort Meyers he went to the Princeton Ground School, where he spent eight weeks, graduating with honor, on September 8th. On the 14th he was ordered to report for service and is now camped on Bedloe's Island, waiting for a steamer to go abroad to finish his education in Aviation at a foreign school. He is camped with one hundred and fifty other officers from various schools in the country. They do not know to what country they are going, on what steamer, or when, but expect to sail any day. This is probably as definite as we shall know for weeks to come.

Yours very truly,

*C. E. Pattison*  
M.B.

Dict. by C.E. Pattison  
MBB





THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



EARL REED SILVERS

ALUMNI HOUSE

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

Montreal Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> / 17

Dr. Mr. Silver

Walter P. Pattison sailed from New York on Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> with the aviation corps, to attend a foreign flying school. We received a cable telling of his safe arrival but we do not know what country he is in.

His present address is Aviation Section  
S. E. R. C. U. S. Army % American Ambassa-  
dor, London, England.

When I receive a new address will  
send it to you.

Chas. E. Pattison



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

nearly forgot to give you my  
mailing address. It is!

Cosht W. P. Patterson  
Line of Communication  
United States Army Service  
American Expeditionary Forces

France

Via New York

Dear Mr. Silvers -

Just before leaving home I recieved  
your letter concerning my where-abouts.  
I meant to write you before but there  
has been so much doing that I simply  
never seem to get at letter writing.

I went to the first camp at Fort Myer  
as you know, on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Then I  
transferred to Aviation and went to  
the ground school at Princeton on  
July 13<sup>th</sup>.

At ground school we studied all  
the theory of flying and everything that  
would help us in flying later, such



as Wirelers, machine guns, plane construction  
meteorology, instruments etc. All this in eight  
weeks, and as the passing grade was 75 and  
the grade for foreign service 90 we were  
very busy.

Shortly after graduating from Ground  
school I was detailed for foreign service  
and left the United States. We are now  
at a "rest camp" waiting assignment to a  
school, which will come within a few  
days.

As to future plans the censor will  
not let me tell you very much but we  
will be commissioned and be flying  
at the front sometime in the early spring.

I hope soon to hear that Rutgers has  
been cleaning up as usual on the  
football field, said a big prayer for  
the fellows day before yesterday so hope



it helped beat West Virginia

In the course of our wanderings before getting here we were fortunate enough to have been in a number of the big cities so I feel that I am all ready quite a traveled man, and might, fortunate in getting into such a fine service at the Aviation Corps.

And now I will be very much obliged to you if you will ask the Editor of the *Loggum*, ~~the~~ or rather the Business manager, to mail the *Loggum* to me regularly & send the bill home to Father as I can not send money out of this country. I will tell him the bill is coming so he wont be surprised.

Sorry I can't be more definite but hope this will answer your purpose  
Sincerely  
Walter P. Patterson



November 28th. 1917.

Cadet W. P. Pattison,

Line of Communication,

U.S. Air Service,

A.E.F. France via New York.

Dear Pattison ;-

Your letter was a most welcome one. it is the first word from a Rutgers man in France that we have received in a long time. I am glad that you have given me your address as it will enable me to send you weekly letters concerning the college. I have been trying to get your address from your father but he has forgotten to send it to me and you have not been receiving the benefits of our service bureau. I hope that the letters will go to you regularly from now on and I wish you all success in the big work you are doing.

With the best of good wishes,

Very sincerely yours,



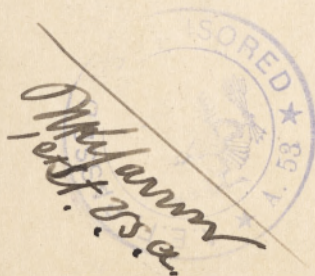
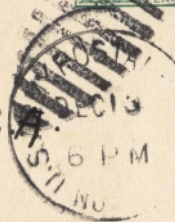
Cadet W. P. Patterson  
U.S. Air Service  
A.E.F. - Paris - France  
Via New York.

Soldiers Mail



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RUTGERS COLLEGE  
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY. U.S.  
OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR





Dear Sir -

I can't say too much for your  
idea of a War Service Beacon.  
Your 2<sup>nd</sup> letter came about a week  
ago and your first today. It  
certainly was great to hear a  
little college news, its the first  
I've had since I left home in Sept.

I will of course be moving  
all over, an Oriaster is never  
in the same place much of  
the time but the address on  
the other side of this posted  
(a regulation required by the Army)  
is permanent. I run Paris  
our mail is sent wherever  
we go as they are informed of  
our moves.

News from home is appreciated  
~~keep~~ us here ~~there~~ there most  
anything else and then the  
beacons I'd be getting just  
what I want - college boys -  
for you see my class - or  
what is left of it is still in college.  
Sincerely W. P. Patterson



December 28, 1917.

Mr. W. P. Pattison,  
U. S. Air Service,  
A. E. F. Paris, France,  
Via, New York City.

Dear Pattison:

I am glad to have your permanent address  
and to know that things are going well with you. I  
hope that you are receiving the Targum regularly as  
I have directed the business manager to place you on  
his mailing list and to send the bill to your father.

If there is anything that I can do at any  
time I hope that you will write me.

With every good wish, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Assistant to the President

ERS/MVH



AMERICAN



On Active Service  
WITH THE AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

—, France Feb. 13, 1918.

Dear Sir —

The letters from the  
Beaumont are coming thru in  
fine shape now. It's great to  
get such fine college dope. The  
first telegram came yesterday  
too. The old place is sort of going  
some under all the difficulties. Flying  
is going on finely & I hope to be there  
here before long. Sincerely, Wolcott P. Patton



Reply to (WRITE RETURN ADDRESS ONLY IN THIS SPACE)

NAME

W.P. Patterson

RANK

Cadet

EXAMINED BY:

NAME

RANK

U.S. Air Service

American Expeditionary Force, France  
VIA NEW YORK

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Soldiers Mail

1918

Mr. Earl Reed Silvers

Rutgers College

New Brunswick

New Jersey

U.S.A.



NATIONAL WAR WORK COUNCIL



YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS  
OF THE UNITED STATES

"WITH THE COLORS"



Published by the  
fellows here. We  
enjoy it a lot more  
than you will  
I suppose. I don't  
know of any other  
outlets where here  
so this may do  
as a "trench paper".  
Reviewing the Alliance  
quarterly & 2 times  
the other day. Surely  
was good to see  
the old program again.  
I'm going <sup>and</sup> <sup>and</sup>  
shop the <sup>and</sup> <sup>and</sup>  
back to it.

N.P. Pathe



March 23, 1918.

Gadet W. P. Pattison,  
U. S. Air Service,  
American Expeditionary Force,  
France, via New York.

Dear Batt:

We are very much indebted to you for  
your good thought in sending us the publication.  
We have nothing of that kind in our collection  
and we are mighty glad to get your letter con-  
taining this paper.

With all good wishes,

Cordially yours,

ERS/MVH

Director



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CHARLES E. PATTISON  
FRANK A. PATTISON

June 5th, 1918.

MR. EARL REED SILVERS,

Alumni House,

New Brunswick, N. J.

Dear Sir:-

I have your letter asking for information in regard to my son Walworth P.

As you probably know, he has been at a French Flying School since December. He obtained his commission as First Lieutenant at this School early in April and is now in the High Speed, or Acrobatic School learning to be a flyer, or chaser, as they call them. He says, however, that they are liable to be transferred from this school at any time and used as bombers, or observers. He was recently hurt in an accident and confined to the Hospital for about a week. We do not know what this amounted to as he evidently was not allowed to say.

Yours very truly,

*C. E. Pattison*  
M.B.

CEP/MBB



June 6,  
19 18.

Mr. Charles E. Pattison  
1182 Broadway,  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Pattison:

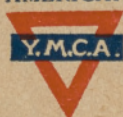
Thank you for your letter  
of June 5th concerning your son Walworth.  
I was sorry to hear of his accident and  
sincerely hope that it was not a serious  
one.

Very truly yours,

FRS/W



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Comp Hospital #29 France.  
July 4, 1918.

Dear Silvers -

This being the "grand  
and glorious month" it seems  
a good time for writing  
letters. A big mail came  
in yesterday and among  
others there were ten  
from the "Bureau".

More letters from  
college certainly are great  
and we all appreciate  
them a lot over here.

Hope you're going to be  
able to keep it coming.  
And by the way

may you might take  
the "Coast" away from  
my name & put a Lieut.  
there instead. You see  
I got my commission  
April 2<sup>nd</sup> tho I guess



I never told you. Otherwise  
my address is the same.

Had a little spill last  
week but my luck seems  
to be with me still for  
I got out very easily  
indeed. My face looked  
rather like a nice piece  
of raw beef steak that had  
been dropped in the dirt  
and my right arm won't  
work but otherwise I'm  
O.K. I've been here in

the hospital now 10 days  
but my face looks almost  
human again & my  
arm is getting along well.  
The Doc says I've hurt  
some long worst nerve  
in my shoulder but in a couple  
of weeks ought to be



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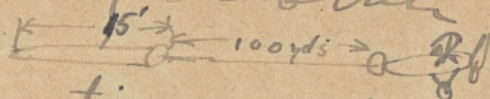
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in good shape again. As I said I was sure lucky and really ought to have been killed. If this luck lasts I'll be home to see you all yet, for this makes the second time we paid a visit to the Hospital. We're living on "borrowed time" in covert now.

We're pretty well down in Southern France now. Sent Arthur here from the training camp to the gunnery position. This is the first time we've even fired a machine gun from my place in the air.



its a lot of fun but  
mighty hard shooting.  
We shoot at balloons +  
Kites and at "steves"  
funnel shaped bags of  
cloth tacked by another  
machine



its fine practice and you  
can imagine how hard  
it is to drive your own  
plane + use your sight  
+ machine gun all at the  
same time when you  
traveling 120 to 130 miles  
an hour.

This is the last thing  
we do before going to  
the front so after 5 once  
get the flying again 2 men  
should see me other here  
+ 3 men should see me  
at the front.

This writing is a



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little worse than  
usual I fear but  
you see my arm  
doesn't work quite  
so well as it might  
so you'll have to excuse  
it

Remember me to  
any of the boys that  
drop in

Sincerely

W. P. Battison

Censored O.K.  
W. P. Battison  
1st Lt. U.S. Army  
Big Rock



August 5  
1918

Lieut. Walworth P. Pattison  
Hospital # 29  
U.S. Sig. R.C.  
American E.F.

Dear Pattison:

Your fourth of July letter reached me this morning. I am sorry to hear about your injury and trust that by this time you are again in harness and enjoying your flights. It is splendid of you to remember the College and the Service Bureau and I wish to express my personal thanks for your continued loyal interest.

Cordially yours,

W



EUROPEAN PLAN: \$1.00 AND UP PER DAY  
THE NEW HOLLAND HOTEL  
JULIUS MILLER, MANAGER

ORANGE, TEXAS, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> 1918.

My dear Mr. Silvers:—

I shall probably be down here most of the winter so will ask that you appoint someone else Editor for '184 Class news for the Rutgers Quarterly. Possibly Wm. P. Bruce of the Christian Intelligencer would take it. That would insure news of the Dutch Dominions which is more than I ever get.

Yours truly  
Chas. E. Patterson

Mr. E. R. Silvers  
Rutgers Alumni Quarterly  
New Brunswick  
N.J.



October 10  
1918

Mr. Charles E. Pattison  
The New Holland Hotel,  
Orange, Texas.

Dear Mr. Pattison:

I have your letter of October 3rd  
and thank you for your interest. Maybe a little  
later we can take up the matter of a representative  
of 1884 for the class notes, but I hope that you will  
not object to continuing in office until you hear  
from us again. There is so much to do along other  
lines that I find only a comparatively small amount  
of time to give to the Quarterly. I shall try to see  
Mr. Bruce some afternoon in New York and shall advise  
you.

Sincerely yours,

G





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Feb. 10, 1919.

Dear Silvers -

Having heard from the service  
bureau in quite a time  
so suppose its all right. It was  
really a great thing tho  
and we all appreciated it.  
Your letter of Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> just  
arrived, you see how regular  
mail is over here. Think my  
letter to you since Armistice  
was signed but im not sure  
so I'll tell you about the  
celebration as you asked.

We at cause felt that  
it was sure to come, Pres  
D. men, on the 9<sup>th</sup> but  
waited till we naturally  
heard of the signing about  
1 o'clock of the 11<sup>th</sup>. We were  
dying all morning but  
when the news came there  
on the afternoon we

HELP YOUR COUNTRY BY SAVING. WRITE ON BOTH SIDES OF THIS PAPER

(photo copy -- original is  
brittle)



at all and a cavalry &  
I think every man of our  
Officers & men, were  
down town.

Tunis is a town of  
about 70,000 and we have  
about ~~40,000~~<sup>4000</sup> men at this  
field and every one of our  
74,000 was in the  
streets that night I think.

Everything in the line of  
work was stopped in the  
city and flags of all the  
allies were everywhere.

The French are a queer  
lot, for their idea of a  
celebration seems simply  
to get as much wine  
aboard as possible. About  
8 o'clock on the evening of  
the 11<sup>th</sup> two French bands  
& one American gathering  
in the big square &  
very soon I started up the  
Grand National with every  
Frenchman & American  
following one after another.





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used in observation work  
from the air. Well, every  
pilot and observer went  
to town with a heavy  
light pistol in his pocket  
and a Musette bag full  
of rockets. Then we struck  
a little store where they  
had fire crackers &  
roman candles etc and  
bought everything they  
had. So when the red  
lights & the other explosion  
we managed to keep  
the old Ville pretty well  
lit all evening. We  
had a lot of real old  
smoke bombs and all  
the college stuff and  
the Frenchmen joined  
us & we had a great  
celebration. Of course

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By the time that we  
and it was after 10 o'clock  
and all piled into the beds  
which stayed open all  
night. There were  
singing and  
in a dark study  
putty wild and  
thought of saying  
drinks were  
the rattles just inside the  
rooms. Oh! it was a  
wild night all right. I  
left about 2 o'clock and  
there were still  
and most the  
Cops were putty well  
stripped.

That was the French  
celebration and the next  
night the Americans put  
on a celebration in their  
style. You have heard  
of every lights that are



there was a very good reason  
and such the spirit of  
me together I think we  
put on a better celebration  
than the French did  
tho we didn't get so drunk

I'm rather at dissimulating  
ourselves & such a thing  
is impossible to describe. The  
one remembrance of it  
is just beaucoup of  
and beaucoup of blinks.

Charley Reed dropped in  
here about a week ago  
and Harry Blue was here  
in October. Roy Richardson  
was Mount Attache at Paris  
for a while and I saw  
Sherm. Cousins in Paris  
just before he got it. I wish  
from that I could remember  
seeing any other Putty men.

I expect to sail for the  
States about the 1st of March  
so I'll drop in on you pretty  
soon.

Sincerely,  
Edmund P. Vinton



March 18th, 1919.

Lieut. Wellworth P. Pattison,  
66 Clinton Street,  
Montclair, N. J.

My dear Pattison:-

Your letter of February 10th has just reached me and I am sending this reply to your home in Montclair so that it will be there ahead of you.

It is good to know that you have passed through the big adventure successfully, and can be home again unharmed.

You must not forget to drop in for a chat with me here at the College.

Cordially yours,

Assistant to President.

ERS/b