

Grange  
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Dear Dad,  
Your victory Loans posters  
arrived all O.K. and I thank you  
heaps. I like the Farmer chap the  
best and he is up on our office  
wall as is also the honor roll  
of which I ha d' heard. Artistically  
they are not up to the French ones  
and are as a rule much more  
melodramatic. The French don't  
go in for the blood & thunder and  
hate stuff and even though most  
of our cocky young Americans think  
we can teach the French a lot and

have little or nothing to learn from  
them - all their advertising is on  
a better plane - commercial railroad,  
etc., and their gardens and  
cuisine, hm! yum! Well I hope  
I can learn a little of it for keeps  
as it is fine and the humor and  
courage of them is the best there  
is and we who had a taste of the  
war can't do too much to help  
the French recover from their  
overdose - The French people I  
mean - not their government -  
for that is a very different tale  
and not in the least representative  
and they are out for land grabbing  
as much as Napoleon or the Boche

you should listen to their own newspapers & slam the gov't.  
I've had rather a lazy week  
as only 3 new equipes were to be  
outfitted so got busy on another  
idea that has been churning round  
in the back of my head - sorry now  
that I didn't get it out heaps sooner  
for I find it has been needed much  
more than I realized. An enclosing  
copy of it is sent to all equipes.

Was very lazy over the week  
end as Dorothy was here Friday  
to Monday we in route for grandpa  
so now I'm feeling quite lost  
again.

I hope you hear Henry Scattered  
when he gets back home - just  
started - as he is a very true wire  
absolutely and vigorously against

war and not in the negative  
milk & water pacifist style that  
made some of our meetings just  
naturally take the other side at  
once.

It is not just the religious op-  
position to war as a personal decision  
but the stupidity of it as a way to  
settle anything. Instead of breaking  
down the German military party as  
the one way to end all war - we  
now see that done and the result  
is - not universal peace or even  
any basis for it but wider misunder-  
standing, and 23 separate wars I  
believe to the last count not to  
mention the waste, murder & disease

etc, in its train.

I don't mean to deny for one second the firmness of spirit and courage with which much of it has been but we must not allow undue emphasis on that side of the picture to dim the rest of it. Of course once committed to war, it may be true that the bullets can't be told without slowing & lengthening the suffering & waste of it but if it is thus speeded up only to result in the extra confusion brought on by that one sided press campaign and suppression of opinion - what is really gained?

Oh well I suppose the farther we swing to the tune of such reactionary policies the sooner we

shall wake up and swing back.  
I am really terribly curious to get  
home and hear and see at first  
hand what people are thinking and  
feeling. Evidently the U.S. is not  
so roused to criticism of the  
peace terms offered Germany as are  
the mass of people in England  
and France - possibly because  
of greater distance and shorter  
implication to bring the reaction  
from suppression of opinion but while  
shorter it has been much stricter  
than in these so called less demo-  
cratic countries.

Our purchase + sales department  
here is already planning for final  
sale to a cooperative organization -  
~~and~~ it makes me wonder how

much has gotten under way of  
Cooperative handling of purchase  
& sale of crops & necessities with  
us. England has done a lot of it  
of late and it is an idea that will  
grow and spread without doubt.  
Not a bit sure it doesn't interest me  
as much or more than the school  
business though judging from  
report on the last National  
Educational Association and  
the phenomenal growth of  
Teachers Unions some things are  
hopping there too.  
With much love.

Burlak

- 60% of profits to go to stockholders and 40% to education  
& social work. In pulling out we hope to present all our  
customers with a share apiece as a starter.