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Oklahoma City Boy Scout Collection

Oklahoma City Boy Scout Collection. Papers, 1918–1920. .20 foot.

Youth organization. Collection of 106 letters, dated 1918–1920, written to Thomas Rowe (Oklahoma City Scoutmaster; now in World War I as a soldier) by a large group of his former Boy Scouts. They write to him while he is in the U.S. Army, telling him their activities and accomplishments-and universally telling him of their admiration for him. Four of the boys are also in the Army. Most of the boys are in school in Oklahoma City (or have moved, but were in Oklahoma City).

Folder:

1. Letters to Thomas Rowe from Boy Scouts.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding Bobbie's mother's death, January 18, 1918.

?, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities and Troop 7, January 28, 1918.

?, San Antonio, TX, regarding a late thank you, Kelly Field and seeing old friends, March 14, 1918.

Henry Clough, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities, March 18, 1918.

Henry Clough, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities, March 23, 1918.

Dewey, Oklahoma City, regarding studying to be a preacher, Thomas's Scout experience, and life after the service, March 23, 1918.

Frank Forvielle, Oklahoma City, regarding Thomas's life in the army, work, and news about people back home, March 25, 1918.

?, Purcell, Oklahoma, regarding becoming a soldier, Church, camping and the Scouts, March 26, 1918.

C.E. Loranger, Oklahoma City, regarding the army, Kelly Field, army strategy, and some encouraging words, March 26, 1918.

Henry Clough, Oklahoma City, regarding new Boy Scouts and addresses, March 31, 1918.

C.E. Loranger, Oklahoma City, regarding the wait to be called to arms, his physical examination, and news about other people, April 3, 1918.

Dewey, Oklahoma City, regarding Dewey's life, other people at home, taking out a loan, becoming Treasurer of Boys Club, and Endeavor activities, April 6, 1918.

Harry Whaler, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities, April 6, 1918.

Earl Frazier, Oklahoma City, regarding Earl's life and the Boy Scouts, April 7, 1918.

Paul B., Oklahoma City, regarding his experiences during the war, April 8, 1919.

Bruce Spence, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities and the formation of the Give a Lift Club, April 11, 1918.

?, Oklahoma City, regarding life back home and a trip, April 11, 1918.

Henry Clough, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities and minutes, April 13, 1918.

Glen Bullis, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities and different members, April 14, 1918.

Individual Pass for Thomas Rowe to visit Junction City, KS, April 14, 1918.

Ed Loranger, Oklahoma City, regarding military service and people Ed has met, April 16, 1919.

Lewis Lee, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities, April 21, 1918.

Henry Clough, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities and minutes, April 21, 1918.

S.M. Armor, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities and different members, April 23, 1918.

Theo Sklala, Oklahoma City, regarding training camp and buying war stamps, April 27, 1918.

Ed Combs, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities, April 27, 1918.

Dewey, Oklahoma City, regarding Christian Endeavor, April 29, 1918.

C.E. Loranger, Oklahoma City, regarding E.C.'s life and other people in OKC, April 29, 1918.

?, Oklahoma City, regarding transportation and the weather in OKC, May 4, 1918.

L.B., Oklahoma City, regarding different people they both know, May 27, 1918.

2. Letters to Thomas Rowe from Boy Scouts, continued.

F.P.F., Oklahoma City, regarding the composition of men and women in his office, June 3, 1918.

Z.B., Oklahoma City, regarding a trip to Mississippi, the service, and work, June 7, 1918.

L.B., Oklahoma City, regarding Fort Riley and the weather, June 11, 1918.

F.P.F., Jr., Oklahoma City, regarding the decision to join the army or the navy and discusses a letter he received from a friend who is already overseas, June 17, 1918.

L.B., Oklahoma City, regarding Thomas's trip and different people back home, June 20, 1918.

Geo Bradley, Oklahoma City, regarding the weather, the war, and Southwestern Bell, June 22, 1918.

Troop 13, Elizabeth, NJ, regarding Boy Scout activities, June 23, 1918.

S.M. Armor, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities, June 28, 1918.

Lawrence Baker, Oklahoma City, regarding bad weather and Boy Scout activities, June 30, 1918.

Lynn, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities, and nominating Thomas for an award, and July 3, 1918.

Allen Street, Oklahoma City, regarding Troop 7, Allen's family, and Boy Scout activities, July 5, 1918.

Martin, Camp Chanago, regarding camp, July 5, 1918.

Gio M. O'Brien, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding a gift and an invitation to dinner, July 5, 1918.

George L. Kapper, Camp Colombia, Morris, CT, regarding training camp, digging trenches, the R.O.T.C., and the lowering of the draft age, July 8, 1918.

Harold, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities, different people in the service and where they are stationed, and a tornado, July 10, 1918.

D.M. Clagett, Junction City, KS, regarding his time at their church and a wish that he stay safe "over there," July 10, 1918.

Jack, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities, July 20, 1918.

Robert Brown, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding the weather and Robert's life, July 26, 1918.

?, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities and trying to join the service, July 29, 1918.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding Boy Scout activities, and wishes for Thomas's trip, August 9, 1918.

Bobbie, New York City, NY, regarding the weather, and wanting to know where Thomas is and how he is doing, August 15, 1918.

Jack, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities, joining the Scouts, and wondering about Thomas's whereabouts, August 19, 1918.

A.B. Seale, Oklahoma City, regarding the government taking over all the wires, the annual Inventory, the draft, Corporation Commission, Emerson School fire, and the ice famine, August 26, 1918.

Bobbie, New York City, regarding Evacuation 9, the ship Thomas went over on, and the Boy Scouts, August 27, 1918.

Raud Blute, Jamaica, Long Island, NY, a letter to Thomas's mom about Thomas, September 4, 1918.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding Boy Scout activities, September 20, 1918.

?, Oklahoma City, regarding France, the author's father might be drafted, and Boy Scout activities, October 3, 1918.

Dewey, Oklahoma City, regarding Camp Merritt, taking radio buzzer classes, asks about what Thomas is doing overseas, the war, Christianity, and updates on how different people are doing, October 7, 1918.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding the Liberty Loan, raising \$6 billion dollars, Spanish Influenza, Troop 7, and school, October 8, 1918.

Joe Ravett, France, regarding different people they both know that are serving and a job at the Base Censors Office, October 15, 1918.

3. Letters to Thomas Rowe from Boy Scouts, continued.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding the money the Boy Scouts raised for Liberty Loan, the Spanish Influenza, and the war, October 18, 1918

Henry L. Heureux, New York City, NY, regarding Boy Scout activities for the war effort, October 21, 1918.

Marshall McCook, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding Spanish Influenza, sling shot fights, and Boy Scout activities, October 25, 1918.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding the end of the war, celebrations, Boy Scouts trying to raise money for the troops, and the Spanish Influenza, November 8, 1918.

Dewey, Oklahoma City, regarding his thanks to all the soldiers, updates on people they both know, the Y.M.C.A., and Liberty Bonds, November 17, 1918.

Gerard M., Oklahoma City, regarding school and Boy Scout activities, November 17, 1918.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding Camp Merritt, hunting season, school, football, weather, and the Boy Scouts, November 21, 1918.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding school, waiting for soldiers to come home, Boy Scout activities, the war, and an injured Scoutmaster, November 25, 1918.

Martin G. O'Brien, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding a peace celebration and Boy Scout activities, November 29, 1918.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding Boy Scout activities, seeing soldiers coming home from war, Europe after the war, and the Red Cross, December 6, 1918.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding Red Cross, generosity, Camp Mills, and what will happen to Thomas once he gets back to the U.S., December 12, 1918.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding the different soldiers he writes, the Red Cross, and France, December 13, 1918.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding the weather and letters from France, December 15, 1918.

Henry Clough, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities and attendance, December 18, 1918.

Dewey, Oklahoma City, regarding Christmas and his wishes for all the soldiers, December 25, 1918.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding a parade of returning soldiers, Boy Scout troop members returning home, and Boy Scout activities, December 27, 1918.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding the evacuation of the George Washington and working at the Post Office on Christmas, January 3, 1919.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding Scout exams, Basketball, Y.M.C.A., and school, January 31, 1919.

James Edgecomb, Oklahoma City, regarding the Boy Scouts annual hike to the Arbuckle Mountains, January 5, 1919.

Palmer J. Jordan, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities including the Arbuckle Mountain hike, January 6, 1919.

Henry L. Heureux, New York City, NY, regarding the Liberty Loan and Thomas's health, January 9, 1919.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding mail delays, meeting Martin O'Brien, and a drawing of the medal that was handed out by soldiers to kids at school, January 27, 1919.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding the Rifle Club, Boy Scout activities, and a Boy Scout competition for a silver loving cup, January 29, 1919.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding Bobbie's visit to Camp Merritt, the death of one of the soldiers he was writing to, and the Boy Scout oath, February 8, 1919.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding Boy Scout activities, problems with replacements of Scoutmasters who went to war, and school, February 19, 1919.

4. Letters to Thomas Rowe from Boy Scouts, continued.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding the death of Bobbie's mother, school, Camp Merritt, and the Boy Scouts, February 25, 1919.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding Boy Scout meetings without the Scoutmaster, girls, Ridgewood, and raising hares, March 7, 1919.

Fred Van Biblar, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities and the growth of Oklahoma City, March 7, 1919.

Arthur Honey, Junction City, KS, regarding Boy Scout activities, and the weather, March 7, 1919.

Ralph Clarke, Junction City, KS, regarding Boy Scout activities, March 7, 1919.

Dewey, Oklahoma City, regarding Thomas's health, Dewey's relatives, and work, March 8, 1919.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding Boy Scout activities, March 10, 1919.

? White, Oklahoma City, regarding the war and Boy Scout activities, March 10, 1919.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding Thomas's health, school, strikes, food being sent to Germany, and the weather, March 15, 1919.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding Boy Scout activities during the 27th Division parade, March 29, 1919.

Jean, Oklahoma City, regarding a relative in Germany, soldiers, and the election, April 3, 1919.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding Boy Scout activities and Liberty Loan prizes, May 6, 1919.

H.L. Heureux, New York City, NY, regarding Boy Scout activities, May 7, 1919.

Achram Edgecomb, Junction City, KS, regarding soldiers coming home and Boy Scout activities, May 7, 1919.

James Edward McKee, Oklahoma City, regarding Boy Scout activities, May 13, 1919.

Harry Ahrens, Oklahoma City, regarding the Boy Scouts and commencement, May 13, 1919.

?, Kansas, regarding the peace treaty with Germany, Pioneer Brunch, and the Salvation Army, June 30, 1919.

Bobbie, Ridgewood, NJ, regarding Bobbie not getting to see Thomas's arrival, getting a job, and Yankee helmets, July 5, 1919.

Bob, New York City, NY, regarding working for the American Sugar Refining Company and quitting school, September 13, 1919.

Bobbie, New York City, NY, regarding changes after the war, football, and his job, November 11, 1919.

Bobbie, New York City, NY, regarding the weather, work, and the Boy Scouts, December 16, 1919.

Bobbie, New York City, NY, regarding sugar and Boy Scout activities, January 22, 1920.

Bobbie, New York City, NY, regarding the flu, the fate of Camp Merritt, local sports, Boy Scout activities, and Evacuation #9, February 22, 1920.

Bobbie, New York City, NY, regarding the health of their respective families and life in general, March 24, 1920.

Harry F. LaCoste, Junction City, KS, regarding Boy Scout activities, ?.