NEWS DEPARTMENT

The Bagley Collection Secured

The greatest news item in the history field of Washington during the past quarter was the University of Washington's purchase of the Bagley collection of newspapers, manuscripts, books and documents pertaining to the Pacific Northwest. In this issue of the Quarterly is published a description of the collection by Charles W. Smith, Associate Librarian of the University of Washington, who has long been actively interested in developing and safeguarding the materials of history in this field.

Captain Malcolm Douglas in France

Captain Malcolm Douglas, formerly an assistant in the department of history, University of Washington, has been decorated with the Croix de Guerre for valiant service in France. Recently, while on leave of absence at Nice, he met Lieutenant Lutz, Captain J. Arthur Younger, Ben Palmer and other University of Washington men in an impromptu but enthusiastic reunion, during which the current history of the home state was discussed.

Lieutenant Lutz in Berlin

Ralph H. Lutz, Assistant Professor of History in the University of Washington, has been serving as a Lieutenant attached to General Pershing's Headquarters in France. Recently, after a brief furlough in Nice, he was ordered to report to General Harries in Berlin. He arrived there on March 8 while the Spartacist revolt was at its height and the eastern part of Berlin was the scene of a modern battle with rifles, machine guns, artillery and bomb-dropping airplanes. Writing a few days later he says: "The government troops were able this week, aided by thousands of volunteers to put down the anarchists and the German Bolsheviki Republic was not proclaimed."

His duties carry him to different parts of Berlin and he has experienced no great excitement except when a "Boche soldier" threatened him with a hand grenade.

He says: "While the people seem well dressed and even gay there is no doubt that the city population is on the verge of starva-