

## 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.

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### *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.

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### *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-

tion. I arrived at the station and was immediately surrounded by a curious crowd who wanted to know where all the food was. On the whole the people are more curious than hostile, although now and then one hears a sarcastic or angry remark."

The family of Lieutenant Lutz has been American for several generations. In his own education, he acquired familiarity with German and French languages. His Doctor of Philosophy degree was obtained from Heidelberg University. This knowledge has increased the importance of his service and aids him in detecting the sarcasm and anger in the talk of the Germans.

He is anxious to return home and to resume his work in the history department of the University of Washington.

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*New Book by Doctor Gowen*

The publishing house of Fleming H. Revell & Company of Chicago has arranged to publish a new work by Dr. Herbert H. Gowen of the University of Washington faculty. The title of the book is "The Napoleon of the Pacific, Kamehameha the Great." Interest in Pacific countries is growing rapidly and this work on the creator of the Hawaiian kingdom on the centennial anniversary of his death should attract wide attention. Those acquainted with Doctor Gowen need no assurance of the fact that the work is of a high grade of scholarship and of charming style.

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*Yeoman Brown in Private Life*

Herman E. Brown was an assistant in the department of history when war was declared. Having had experience in the naval militia, he promptly enlisted as a yeoman and served at sea throughout the war. He has returned to private life and has begun the practice of law in the office of Ballinger, Battle, Hulbert & Shorts, Seattle.

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*Living Pioneers of Washington*

From October 28, 1915, to June 3, 1916, the editor of this *Quarterly* wrote a series of biographies of living pioneers of the Pacific Northwest which appeared daily on the editorial page of the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer*. The date and subject of each sketch was later published in this *Quarterly* to serve as a possible guide to future