

# AMERICAN RED CROSS

(CROIX-ROUGE AMÉRICAIN)



Magdeburg July 28th 1919,  
Germany.

My dear Al.

My presence here in Germany makes it impossible to present to you personally, as I would like to, the bearer of this letter, my good and personal friend, Captain and Doctor V.J. Valdes of Minila, P.I.

Captain Valdes has been doing overseas service for the past two years, the last six months of which being connected with the German Commission, with which I am also associated.

Notwithstanding the fact that the captain is an American thru and thru it is his first visit to the States, and I would consider it a personal favor, if you would personally or thru your Military Secty. help him in any way you possibly can.

I hope the Republican Legislature of 1919 did not pass you too many "bucks" but knowing as I do the general makeup of the two houses and yourself am confident that those "bucks" were returned in due and corrected form.

With kindest regards for both yourself and family permit me to be

Most respectfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Percy D. Hapgood", is written over the typed name and extends across the right side of the page.

To

His Excellency, Alfred E. Smith  
Governor of N.Y. State,  
Albany - N.Y.