

Section Base #7

Whitestone L.I.

Dec. 17, 1917.

Dear Sir:-

I have been trying to find time to drop you a few lines and have finally succeeded.

I am no longer at Pelham Bay as you can see by the heading of my letter, but at Whitestone L.I.

I am glad to hear that Russ Hartley is at Fort Totten and will try to get in touch with him. The Fort is just a short way from our Base and is on the same side of the river.

I am acting as bugler at the Base now and that gives me more time for studying than I had

at either Bensonhurst or Pelham
Bay.

I expect to get down to Rutgers some week-end in January and if I do, I will make it a point to come and see you.

I have had some pictures taken and only just received the proofs, but I will forward one to you as soon as I get the finished product.

I might also state that we had quite a blizzard here last week and that a north-west storm is raging to-day.

Hoping to hear from you soon
I am.

Very sincerely yours.

Chester C. Barberley.

December 18th. 1917.

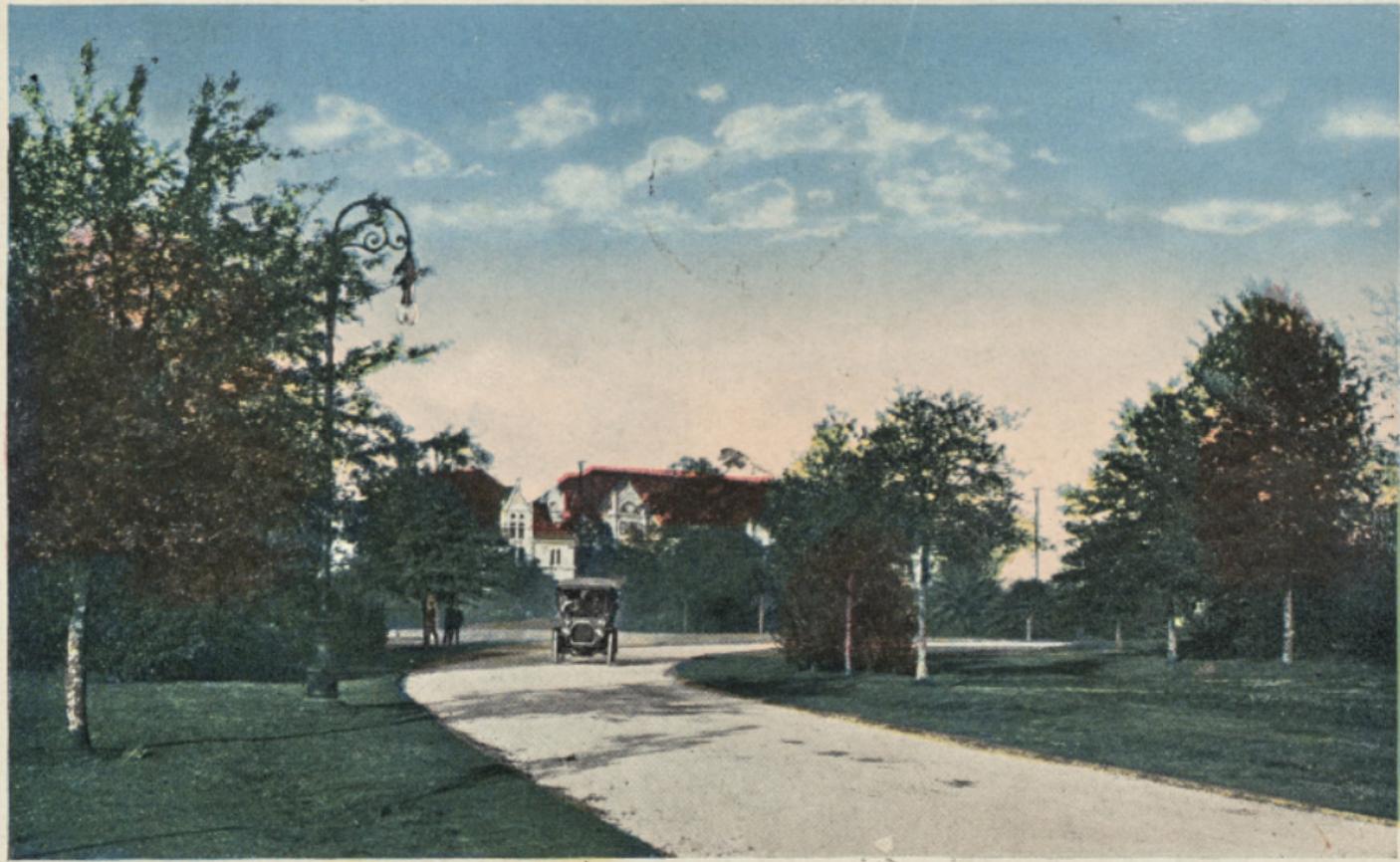
Mr. Chester C. Cubberley,
Section Base No 7,
White Stone, L.I.

Dear Cubberley:-

Thank you very much for your letter
of December 17th. I am glad to know your new address
and shall look forward with pleasure to the receipt
of your picture. I am going to try to print a number
of pictures in the January issue of the Alumni Quarterly
and shall most certainly send you a copy of the magazine.

With the best of good wishes,

Very sincerely yours,



DRIVEWAY IN AUDUBON PARK, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DRIVEWAY IN AUDUBON PARK.

Audubon Park is an old plantation, it was here the first sugar cane in Louisiana was grown, also the first successful refining sugar.

7/31/18.



Have been transferred to
the Naval Auxiliary Reserve.
I have been to Tampico Mex.
and to-day am in New Orleans.
Expect to leave for Tampico
to-morrow. My N.Y. address is:
Naval Auxiliary Reserve.

Municipal Ferry Terminal
South & Whitehall Sts.

Sincerely
N.Y.

THIS SPACE MAY BE USED FOR MESSAGE.

Chester C. Cubberley.

POST CARD.



Mr. Earl Reed Silvers.

Rutgers College

New Brunswick

New Jersey

War Service Bureau.

THIS SPACE FOR ADDRESS.

TORPEDOED TANKER AFLOAT 4 MINUTES

The Frederick R. Kellogg Was
10 Miles Off Barnegat
When Sunk.

SEVEN COULD NOT ESCAPE

Two Cadets Caught in Their
Cabins by the Rush of Water
Through Hole in Side.

The American oil tanker, Frederick R. Kellogg, was ten miles off Barnegat Light on the New Jersey coast when sunk by a U-boat, as told in a late edition of yesterday's TIMES. The information was gained from Captain C. H. White, who commanded the tanker, before he was warned by the United States Naval Intelligence officers not to give any details of the destruction of his ship.

Captain White, who reached this city on a coastwise steamship with thirty-five survivors of his crew of forty-two, said that the seven men lost their lives following the explosion of the torpedo. Second Assistant Engineer Samuel L. Johnston, 42 years old, born in the United States; Third Assistant Engineer J. Kramer, 45 years, Norwegian, and Francesco de Louga, 17 years, Portugal, a messboy, were killed instantly in the engine room with an unidentified oiler and unidentified stoker, who were on duty in the boiler room at the time of the attack.

The other victims were cadets, William Stillman, 29 years, who lived with his wife at 201 Commonwealth Avenue, Shelton, Conn., and Chester C. Coverley, 21 years, who lived with his mother at 44 South Fifth Avenue, Long Branch, N. J. They were drowned in their cabins by the sea which rushed in after the torpedo had made a big hole in the ship's side.

Captain White told the reporters that the torpedo struck his ship at 6:10 P. M. on Tuesday night when she was on her way from Tampico to Boston with 7,500 barrels of crude oil. There was no warning given, he added, and the

majority of the crew were below eating supper.

Went Down in Four Minutes.

The explosion was so terrific that the tanker was burst right open and went down in less than four minutes. The port quarter boat, which was on the davits close to the engine room where the torpedo struck, was smashed to splinters and the lifeboat further forward on that side was rendered useless by being dashed against the side of the ship. This left two boats to accommodate all hands, a lifeboat and a motor boat, which were lowered safely into the water and cut clear of the sinking ship, which went under so quickly that the crew had to jump overboard.

Some of the firemen were waist deep in water on the main deck as they struggled to get to the side of the ship and had great difficulty to prevent themselves being sucked down into the stokehole. One man was drawn down the steep iron ladder and was rescued by two of his mates at the last gasp.

Walter J. Dyeberg, an able seaman who had served twelve years at sea, said that the bridge was in charge of First Officer John Quigley when the torpedo struck the Kellogg on the port side by the engine room. By the way the water rushed in he realized at once that the vessel was sinking, and told Captain White, who ordered the four blasts to be given on the steam whistle as a signal to abandon ship. The men tumbled up on deck, Dyeberg continued, and jumped over the side and swam around until the two boats picked them up.

"Like most of the motor boats supplied to ocean-going steamships," he added, "ours could not be made to go, so we had to tow it with the lifeboat, which was slow work. The mate rigged up a lateen shaped sail like they use in the Mediterranean, which helped us a little. Most of our fellows were in a hurry to get off the tanker because they were afraid the Hun boat would turn his guns on us, but we saw no signs of him until we got clear away."

"As the rail of the Kellogg was just awash we saw a periscope appear above the surface of the calm sea close to her side and then the whole of the U-boat came into sight. There was no one on

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Rest and be well at Grove Park Inn, Asheville, N. C. Finest resort in the world. No invalids, no children under ten.—Advt.

New York Times, August 15, 1918

TORPEDOED TANKER AFLOAT 4 MINUTES

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deck and I suppose the commander was enjoying a look at his work from the conning tower. A minute or so later the submarine disappeared. After about two hours' drifting we saw a steamship coming up from the southward and we were taken on board."

Warned About U-Boat.

The officers of the American steamship which rescued the survivors said they had received warnings of the activities of the German submarines on the voyage up the coast. Since leaving Florida with several passengers on board they had sighted only one small patrol boat and a hydroplane inshore to the south of Hatteras. They sighted the Kellogg's two boats at 8:25 P. M. about a mile away and hailed them from the bridge through a megaphone on account of the risk in stopping the steamship in the submarine zone.

When the reply was received that the castaways were survivors of the oil tanker Frederick R. Kellogg, the Captain, Richard McGuire, steamed close up to them so that no time should be lost in picking up the boats. Some of the survivors, the officers said, were suffering from their hurried leap into the sea and the shock of immersion after the ship went down.

After landing from the steamship the crew of the tanker, provided with dry clothing, went to the offices of the Pan American Oil and Transportation Company, owners of the vessel, at 120 Broadway, where they were given \$50 each to purchase clothing, as they had lost everything. The ship's cook said that his parrot spoke good English and called out "Don't forget poor Polly" when he left the bird hanging in the cage outside the galley. The Frederick R. Kellogg was a new steam ship of 7,127 gross tonnage, built year ago at Oakland, Cal., and was worth \$1,500,000.

Following the news of the sinking of the Kellogg came a report that the steam trawler Walrus had been af-

tacked off Cape Cod at 7 o'clock on Tuesday night just fifty minutes after the tanker had been torpedoed, which was proof, naval officials said, that at least two U-boats were operating off the Atlantic Coast.

According to Captain Clayton Morrissey, the Walrus was on her way to the fishing grounds and was about seven miles northeast of the Highland Light with a calm sea and light fog when he sighted the conning tower of a submarine dead ahead about a quarter of a mile away. Apparently the commander of the U-boat was surprised to find himself so close to the fishing vessel, and submerged almost directly, steering in the same direction as the trawler.

Torpedo Missed Ship.

A few minutes later the Captain saw the wake of a torpedo, which missed his craft by about twenty feet. He might have tried to ram the submarine, he continued, but thought it better to take advantage of the fog and escape and warn the other fishing vessels coming to the ground of the danger. Captain Morrissey told the Naval Intelligence officials yesterday that he did not see the U-boat again, but believed the craft must have come up again in the fog to starboard, because a few minutes later eight shells were fired as the Walrus zigzagged toward the shore. One of them fell into the sea 200 feet away.

The proximity of the German submarines to this port had not made any difference in the arrival or departure of the big transports, which depend on their great speed and number of quick-firing guns to keep the enemy away. So far the U-boats operating off the Atlantic Coast have not attempted to tackle a single armed vessel since they made their first appearance on May 18.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Aug. 14.—Chester C. Cubberley, one of the seven men killed when a German torpedo sank the oil tanker Frederick R. Kellogg, was a son of ex-Commissioner and Mrs. Isaac N. Cubberley of 44 South Fifth Avenue, this city. He was 21 years old on April 8 last, and his mother expected him home today, when a telegram from Lieutenant Charles Mann, Jr., was received this afternoon announcing that Chester was missing, and that he was "endeavoring to secure further details."

Mr. Cubberley last heard from Chester in New Orleans. The boy enlisted in the navy when 19, and has another brother, Ernest, in the service.

New York Times, Aug. 15, 1918

September 3, 1918.

Mrs. I. N. Cubberly,

44 South Fifth Avenue,

Long Branch, N.J.

Dear Mrs. Cubberly;—

Your son, Chester C. Cubberly, is the sixth Rutgers man to give his life for his country. We are anxious to pay fitting tribute to his memory and to print as much about him as is possible in the October issue of the RUTGERS ALUMNI QUARTERLY. We shall be grateful for your kindness if you will send us a brief sketch of his life, his place and date of birth, schooling, etc., and his career in the Navy. A letter or two which he wrote while in service would be of much value to the college. We would like his picture also, in uniform if possible. Everything which you may care to send us will be returned unharmed within a week after its receipt.

May I extend the sympathy of Chester's friends here in college to you. His death came as a great shock to us, and we grieve with you.

Very sincerely yours,

September 25,
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Mrs. Isaac N. Cubberley
44 S. 5th Ave.,
Long Branch, N.J.

Dear Mrs. Cubberley:

I have pictures and biographies of all our Rutgers men who have died in the service with the exception of your son Chester. From him I have a letter sent from New Orleans on July 31st but we are very anxious to have a complete record of our war heroes and would be grateful for your cooperation. May we have his picture and any facts concerning him which you would care to have printed in the Rutgers Alumni Quarterly?

Here at College we thought a good deal of Chester and we shall to pay proper tribute to him for his sacrifice.

Sincerely yours,

EBS/G

September 30, 1918

Mr. Alfred Duncombe,
646 Broadway,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Duncombe:

Chester C. Cubberly of the class of 1920 was drowned while in the service of the United States on August 26th. I have written twice to his mother in Long Branch asking her for his picture and for a brief sketch of his life, but have received no reply. It is very desirous that we have these things in order to keep our college war records complete and I am calling on you to ask if you might not aid us in the matter. Mrs. Cubberly lives at 44 South 5th Avenue, Long Branch. If you will take the time to visit her and ask her if we may not have the things I have requested, we shall be deeply grateful for your kindness. I am hoping to have the material on hand when the Alumni Quarterly goes to press on October 10th.

Thanking you for whatever service you may be able to render, I am

Very sincerely yours,

ERS/G

...J. N. Cubberley...

Contractor and Builder
Jobbing Promptly Attended to

No. 40 Fifth Avenue.

Long Branch, N.J., September 30 1918

Mr. Silvers

I am waiting for
Chester's picture to come to
me from Washington. I cannot
see why they do not send it
for I do not like to be
without it so long. If they
keep it this week out I
will borrow one from a
friend and send it to you
for I believe you would
send it back as soon as
you was through with it.
It's kind of you to wait
for it for I wouldn't have
you to draw up the roll of
honor without his picture.
Will you kindly answer this

note and tell me if there
is any way for me to get
a copy of the roll of honor
and what will it cost
Enclosed find three cents
in stamps to answer.

Address to —

Mrs Isaac N. Cutberley.
44 S. Fifth Ave;
Long Branch
New Jersey.

Received your letter on the
26 of September.

October 2
1918

Mrs. I. N. Cubberley,
44 S. Fifth Ave.,
Long Branch, N.J.

My dear Mrs. Cubberley:

Thank you very much for your letter of September 30th. I can wait until October 12th for the picture of Chester but in order to appear in our magazine it will have to be here by that date. Chester's picture and biography will appear in the October issue of the Rutgers Alumni Quarterly. If you will let us know how many copies you wish to have we shall be very pleased to send them to you free of charge. We can at least do that much for the mother of one of our Rutgers boys who has made the big sacrifice. I am inclosing a list of questions about Chester. If you will fill them out and return them to me at once I shall be able to include a story of his life with the photograph. I thank you for your interest.

Very sincerely yours,

EHS/G
Enc.

...J. N. Cubberley...

Contractor and Builder
Jobbing Promptly Attended to

No. 40 Fifth Avenue.

Long Branch, N.J., October 2^d 1918

Chester Curtis Cubberley,
g. m. 3c (S) vsn RF,
Lost When U.S.S.
Frederick R. Kellogg was
torpedoed off Barnegat
light, August 13, 1918.

Born April 1897.

was 21 years old
April the 8th 1918.

Return picture to this address
Mrs M. A. Cubberley.
44 South Fifth Ave;
Long Branch
New Jersey.

October 2
1918.

Mr. Alfred Duncombe
646 Broadway,
Long Branch, N.J.

Dear Mr. Duncombe:

Since writing you yesterday I have received word from Mrs. Cubberley promising a picture and other material of her son Chester. It will not be necessary, therefore, for you to call upon me for your aid in the matter. I hope that my request did not inconvenience you.

Very sincerely yours,

G

Long Branch October 7th 1918.

Mr. Silvers

Dear Sir

I have at last got
this paper filled out. I may be
able to send you something more
in a few days. Hope you received
the picture of Chester alright.
I would like to have twelve
copies of the Rutgers Alumni
quarterly. and thank you for
your kindness to me.

Address to

Mrs Isaac Nutterley
44 S. Fifth Ave;
Long Branch N.J.

October 10
1918

Mrs. Isaac H. Cubberley,
44 S. Fifth Ave.,
Long Branch, N.J.

My dear Mrs. Cubberley:

I acknowledge receipt of the picture and the other material concerning your son Chester. The photograph will be well taken care of and returned to you within the next two weeks. We shall also be glad to send you twelve copies of the Alumni Quarterly.

Very sincerely yours,

G

Long Branch N.Y.

Oct. 15th 1918

Dear Mr. Silvers:

I received your
two letters concerning
Chester Cubberley but
found that as you
said there was little
or nothing I could
add to what Mr. Cubberley
had sent you. In talking

With his mother however
I noticed that nothing
appeared in the question
about his relation
to the church. Chester
was very loyal to the
Presbyterian Church of
Long Branch of which
he was a member and
in which he was an
active member

Taking the lead in the young
people's work. He was a
young fellow who had high
ambition and much determination
to make the best of himself.
I should have thought that he
would have been the one least
likely to fail but he was the first
from the town to be taken. He is greatly
missed by his family. Alfred A. Duncumb

October 16, 1918

Rev. A. Duncombe,

Long Branch, N.J.

Dear Mr. Duncombe:

I thank you for your letter of
October 15. I am very glad to have the addition-
al word about Mr. Cubberley and shall most certainly
include his church connection in my story of him.

Most cordially yours,

G

Long Branch, N.J., December 20th 1908

Mr E. R. Silvers.

I received the twelve copies Alumni quarterly and think it a very fine magazine and I thank you for them. I havent received the picture of chester and letter that I sent you. I thought I would wait until all the things came and thank you for all together but time was so near Christmas that I felt I would like to have his picture then if possible. I know it must be an over sight for you are so good to me that I know you would not keep me waiting for it if you could help it.

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Please address your letter to
Mrs J. N. Cubberley.
44 South Fifth Ave;
Long Branch
New Jersey.

Wishing you a merry Christmas
and a happy New Year
I will close hoping
to hear from you soon.

Mrs J. N. Cubberley.

P.S. Would it be possible for
you to lend me the block that
Chester's pictures was taken
from. There are so many that
want his picture. I will return
it as soon as I can.

December 23rd, 1918.

Mrs. T. N. Cubberley,
44 South Fifth Ave.
Long Branch, N.J.

My dear Mrs. Cubberley:-

I am very sorry that I have neglected to return Chester's picture and letter to you. I did not know that there was any immediate desire for it and I have not given it the attention which it should have had. I am sending you now under separate cover both the picture and letter but I am afraid that the rush of the Christmas season will not permit your receiving it by Wednesday. However, I sincerely hope that you do get it in time.

I am also sending you the plate from which the picture was made. Any good printer will strike off as many copies as you care to have. Please do not forget to return it as we are going to use Chester's picture in the permanent book which will be issued some time with the next year and the cut is necessary for that publication.

I thank you very much for your good Christmas wishes.

Very sincerely yours,

For the Rutgers Alumni Quarterly

1. Name-- Chester C. Cubberley. 2. Class 1920

2. Date and place of birth Long Branch April 8th 1897.
Garfield School and then

3. What public schools attended To the Grammar School

4. Graduated from what High School Chettle High School

5. Entered Rutgers in what year 1916.

6. Date of enlistment March 1917.

7. Any facts regarding his service for the U.S. was at Palms Bay
three or four months and from there he went
to White stone and from there was advanced
to the merchant marines. Sailed
July 16th for Texas. Was lost at sea
August 13th

8. Any facts in his life which may be interesting (cities lived in, school honors, etc.) Graduated with the
Highest Honors.

9. Copies of any of Chester's letters or letters about him----

10. Anything you care to send will be returned promptly.