

Walter Thoreson returned home Saturday after sixteen months overseas service. While Walter was prevented from taking part in front line action, having been taken sick just before arriving in England, he has seen more of Europe, than most of the other boys in the A. E. F. He served as military police in England, spent several months in France, crossed Germany twice, and spent the past several months in Poland, where he traveled extensively his duties as instructor in truck driving often taking him to the Austrian and Russian borders. Mr. Thoreson is glad to be back in the United States again. He says conditions in Poland are terrible. People are dying by the thousand for lack of food and from sickness, and the entire population is suffering from lack of clothes. The rehabilitation of Poland will be a very slow process for the reason that the class distinction among the people makes any real co-operation impossible, and the thorough and systematic looting of the country by the various occupying armies, has left the country without agricultural machinery of any kind, and even the factories have been looted of material and machinery, so that just the buildings remain. Under these conditions it is a foregone conclusion that the population must be in the direst want.