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HISTORY OF WORLD'S WAR WORK
NEW YORK STATE HISTORY

Name in full and rank *Jesse Halsey (Rev)*
Organizations *Y. M. C. A. and State Dept. Ship*
Place and date of enlistment *Ft. Thomas Ky. June 6 1917*
Place and date of discharge *Cincinnati Ohio Dec. 31 1918*
Military camps with dates *Ft. Thomas Ky. June 17 1917*
Polish front Poland Dec 17 1917
Date of trip overseas and return *Aug. 1 1917 Sept. 1 1918*

Describe below service as you saw it, battles and engagements, etc., also interesting items of historic value. Give account of all medals, citations and certificates of merit awarded you. Your photograph is especially requested. Are you a member of the Malcolm White Post, No. 433, American Legion? If so note it below.

Went out with the first detachment from Am. Y. M. C. A. to establish the Y. M. C. A. on the Russian front, Aug. 1917. Saw the Bolshevik Revolution in Moscow Nov. 1917.

Went work Poland 1917

At Archangel Jan 15 1918.

Chaplain in British Navy at Mourmansk N. Russia April, May 1918.

Acting American Consul. Mourmansk April, May American representative on Allied Board. 1918.

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Touchdown in North Sea June 15 1918 while carrying cargo of Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. supplies, also film for the Bureau of Public Information to Archangel.

Sent by the American Ambassador from Volodga Russia to Washington D.C. with dispatches and reports July 15 1918.

Buying & shipping Y. M. C. A. supplies from London to Mourmansk Aug. 1918.

Helping Russian div. of Y. M. C. A. in N. Y. City to make shipments Sept. - Dec. 1918.

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" After the Root Commission had returned from Russia in the spring of 1917 and reported that Russia needed morale, not men and that the ^{Army} Y.M.C.A. could do more than ^{its} soldiers - the Y.M.C.A. called for 200 men to go to Russia. Mr. Halsay was one of eleven who volunteered on this first call.

Left New York the end of Aug. 1917 via San Francisco, Japan & Siberia, where they arrived in Moscow they found the Kerenski regime broken down and the Lenin, Trotsky Revolution in full control.

Mr. Halsay was sent to Murmansk, Russia's only port of entry to await supplies for

The Y.M.C.A. "Hut" established at Murmansk during the winter of 1918 was "open house" and the only place where ~~hospitality was dispensed to the numerous~~ ~~of the several hundred~~ ^{the numerous} people leaving Russia at this time could find hospitality. As many as 1000 travellers were cared for ~~at~~ ^{at} this ~~way~~ ^{time}. Mr. Halsay

was invited to attend the meeting of the Soviets of North Russia where they voted to espouse the cause of the Allies.

~~The flannel shirt of the American~~
The Y.M.C.A. had interpreted the spirit of America and the khaki uniform and flannel shirt - found ^{entire} ~~at the same~~ where the English and French Admirals were ~~barred~~. Sailed down the harbor with the Eng. ~~flagship~~ admiral when the fleet went out to welcome the Am. flagships ^{Olympic and} ~~where~~ the stars and stripes first entered

"The Allies" as one of the Allies
Russian waters