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Library's 'LEST WE FORGET' Project Shares the Story of Yolo County Residents in World War I

(Woodland, CA) – The Yolo County Library invites everyone to attend the final installment of the fourpart "LEST WE FORGET" series, which reveals the story of World War I and Yolo County. Entitled, "Road to Peace" the presentation examines the last two months of the war, the armistice, and the months prior to the signing of the "Treaty of Versailles" designed to end the "War to End All Wars".

The following programs are free to attend and will showcase that location's community and their response and aid in the Great War.

- **September 29, 1:00 p.m.:** Clarksburg Branch Library, located at 52915 Netherlands Avenue in Clarksburg
- October 4, 5:30 p.m.: Esparto Regional Library, located at 17065 Yolo Avenue in Esparto
- October 11, 6:00 p.m.: Winters Community Library, located at 708 Railroad Avenue in Winters
- October 20, 1:00 p.m.: Arthur F. Turner Community Library, located at 1212 Merkley Avenue in West Sacramento
- October 23, 6:00 p.m.: Knights Landing Branch Library, located at 42351 Third Street in Knights Landing
- November 1, 6:00 p.m.: Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library, located at 315 E. 14th Street in Davis
- November 7, 5:00 p.m.: Yolo Branch Library, located at 37750 Sacramento Street in Yolo
- November 14, 6:30 p.m.: Woodland Public Library, located at 250 First Street in Woodland

In this final part of the series, America, and Yolo County, have entered the last 47 days of the "Great War". During this time the American Expeditionary Force fought what is still the deadliest battle in the history of the United States, the Meuse-Argonne, with Yolo County boys among the 26,000 men who made the supreme sacrifice. After the armistice, the boys began to return home, first from the training camps, then slowly from "Over There". However, politicians were still trying to construct a peace treaty that addressed widely divergent interests. Many, both at home and abroad, began to question whether a "ROAD TO PEACE" indeed could truly be found.

This series is supported by the Yolo County Library, the Yolo County Archives, and the Friends of the Yolo County Archives. The Yolo County Library encourages community memory and champions the local rich history of Yolo County. For more information about this series, contact Mel Russell at: yolocountyWW1@gmail.com. For more information on the Yolo County Library,

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