



WITH THE COLORS



Comp. Greene, N.C. 3/29/18.

Dear Margaret: We are all ready to leave here so I think we will see England or France very shortly. I guess it will take about fifteen or twenty days to make the trip as the transports are slow. George Ziegler was one of the first examined in Ardmore but I think he was rejected on account of a weak heart. The army life in this country is not bad but I don't know how we will fare over there. I think the fellows who are in the second draft are lucky as they will get a lot of training before they are sent over and I think the war will end before they are sent across. I think the way they are fighting now cannot continue long without some of the powers going under. I think Germany is staking everything in their big drives and I think they will lose out.

The climate here is very uneven as the days are hot and the nights are cold. It is far worse here in winter than at home because it is so damp & foggy.

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I think you should go to Galveston instead of going anywhere else as it would be pretty nice to get the position you mentioned. If I can get a few days off, when we go to it, I think I might take a trip home but I hardly think they will give any passes.

We are only allowed to take a barracks bag with us so I will have to pack everything pretty close. I have plenty of warm clothing that I have not used since I have been <sup>here</sup>, but I will bring it along.

The people down here don't think much of the Northerners according to what I hear and it is very easy to tell anyone from the North as the Southerners talk in entirely different. The people here don't seem to have any ambitions and are very easy going.

When I first came here I felt out of place in a tent but am so used to it now that I don't mind it. Since I have been in this company I have had a soft job and am now the colonel's orderly. I don't have to drill or march any more and I almost forgot how to handle the rifle. When I start to write a letter I have a hard time finishing it as I can't find anything to tell about. News is very scarce here.

Sincerely,  
Jim