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Oct 5, 1917

St. Louis, Mo.

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Mrs. N. Driederich
108 Glenwood Ave.
Joliet, Ill.

10-7-17
Dear Mother, Father:-

We have been accepted and assigned to company. We expect to stay here for at least a week. We get up at 5:30 in the morning and have various drills until 11:30 when we go to dinner. After that we drill until 5:30. After that we are through and may go to the YMCA, where they have entertainment of some kind, such as boxing, playlets etc. They also have movies here for the amusement of the soldiers. The food here could be no better, and all you can eat, no rations.

Out of the bunch that came here with us from Chi, some two hundred, about half were rejected. However, young Bloom and I went through like tops. We got our uniforms this morning and were inspected by about a dozen different officers to make sure that everything was a good fit. Thus far we have been sleeping in beds.
That accomodates one below and one above, these were placed in long rows, and one building accommodates about two hundred men. Tomidhwever, we sleep in cotst at the barracks of our company. This company however, is only surfacing our stay here after training here a short time. & we will join our company which is now encamped at Houston Tex. Hell folks, it is time for flag lowering and I will close with love to you both.

I remain yours son

"Me"

P.S. Address all letters to
27 Company
Jefferson Barracks, Mo.
Mrs. N. Diedrich
108 Glenwood Av.
Joliet, Ill.

Answered 10-7-17
If not delivered in ten days return to
W. Diedrich
Co. 27
Jefferson Barracks, Mo
Dear Mother & Father: -

We have been accepted and assigned to company. We expect to stay here for at least a week. We get up at 5:30 in the morning and have various drills until 11:30 when we go to dinner. After that we drill until 5:30. After that we are through and may go to the Y.M. C.A., where they have entertainment of some kind, such as boxing, playlets etc. They also have movies here for the amusement of the soldiers. The eats here could be no better, and all you can eat, no rations.

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that accommodate one below and one above these were placed in long rows, and one building accommodates about two hundred men. Tonight, however, we sleep in cots at the barracks of our company. This company however, is only ours during our stay here. After training here a short time we will join our company which is now encamped at Houston Tex. Well folks it is time for flag lowering and I will close with love to you both

I remain your son

“Wes”

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