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## 1918-01-12, Albert to Laura

Albert W. Parsons

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Post. A. W. Parsons  
U. S. Army, 3rd U. S. Cav.  
on Active Service

Soldiers Mail.

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Miss Laura Stanley  
Otter Creek  
Maine  
U. S. A.



of Mr. Clayton Stanley.

SERVICE

Jan. 12. 1918

Dear Laura;

Your letter rec'd.  
P.K. was sure glad to  
hear from you and to  
hear all the news.

That was some  
dream you had, I  
don't blame that  
horse for not jumping  
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already sent anything  
to me, don't do it, because  
it costs like the deuce  
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that will be fake with  
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Roscoe or "Rosy" we call  
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school teacher now.  
Oh. Day. watch her face  
and tell me how she  
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I will look Preston  
Gray up. but I doubt  
if I find him, as you  
know there was or  
is several different Reg.  
of Cavalry in Texas.  
But I will hunt him  
up if I can.

Yes. I received Aunt  
Alice's boy O. K. wrote  
her a letter of thanks.

~~Do you~~

Now if you haven't

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He is a swell little fellow,  
full of life and fun.

That must have been  
some party of Floras. I  
have one, every pay day.

Yes. I hear from Bill  
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board the U.S.S.

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Yes. I have plenty  
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I can imagine  
how glad looked  
when that Hub  
broke.

I am glad it is  
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bunch of roughnecks  
at the radio station.

We have good food  
and comfortable quarters.

The people here  
use us nice,

I go into a French  
lady's house two  
or three nights a  
week and try to  
learn the French  
language.

I will tell a  
friend of mine by  
the name of  
Harold Smith to  
write, He is a  
good fellow.

Norman McDonald  
probably is very busy  
in his work as an  
ambulance driver or  
else he probably had a  
ride to a far away  
country on a set of wings.

I am working  
steady, every day,  
doing different things  
I am due for a guard  
to-morrow.

Oh we have it  
good over here. There  
is no room for a kick.



Well Roy was  
completed his letter,  
I will do the same  
as my hands are  
cold.

Give my love to  
Clayt. & the kids.

Yours with Love,  
Rf.

[PARSONS COLLECTION #2]

[Page 1 – Envelope]

Pvt. A. W. Parsons.

Soldiers Mail.

K. Troop. 3rd U.S. Cav.

on Active Service

[[Image: above text obscured by a military  
postmark stamp – waving flag with a 2 in stripes]]

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censor's stamp]]

C/o Mr. Clayton Stanley.

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Al.