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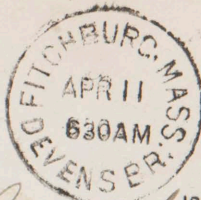
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"WITH THE COLORS"



Mr Robert Lindstadt  
1101 Arch St.  
Burlington Iowa.



"WITH THE COLORS"



Camp Lodge  
March 8, 1918.

Dear Bro.

I received your letter and was glad to hear from you, and I also received the popcorn and am much obliged to you folks. So you say C. Moehn is being sent away for his health? That is hard luck.

I heard the day that Senn got shot, from Gilt, that same evening. Those guns are no playthings & it's a wonder there are no more accidents then there are. So you say that El. did not have much luck and that everything went wrong.

The next time you write, tell me of the strange  
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We will be in quarantine for a few days yet, and when we get out we can go anywhere in the Camp.

I want to say Rob, that I did not send that bundle of clothing home yet because I thought I would need some of them but now we got all of our clothing and uniforms and we are not allowed to wear any civilian clothes, so you can expect the package anytime.





"WITH THE COLORS"

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Say Rob, you should wear these clothes because there is no use to leave them hanging on the wall. Say Rob will you tell Clara to tell Mrs Baker and the Burgs & Minnie & Anna & the rest of the neighbors that I give them my best regards if she sees them. Say Rob, if you want to draw you can use my instruments because I will not need them. I will have to give up my course until after the War because I have not the place to go on with it. Well <sup>to</sup> change the subject I will close with best regards to all of you.

V. T. Lindstadt.

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[LINDSTADT BROTHERS COLLECTION]

[Page 1 – Envelope]

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