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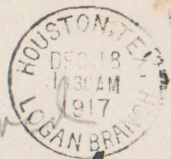
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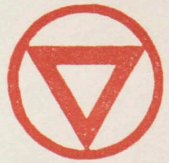
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Our company is to be composed of the mounted scouts of the regiment & I have been assigned a swell horse. We spend much of our time riding & taking care of our horses & teaching them to jump ditches & fences. It is very pleasant work & will be an exciting job when we get across.


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Yves

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[[Nick Dante 9/22/15]]

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