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## 1917-05-16, Chas to Dorothy

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U.S.A. CAMP CODY DEMING, NEW MEX Camp cody

we were out on a eight day I don't know very many of the Down here you don't see fathery boys, But I would like any query grass outruse you

send me one of your pictures excure my poor writing. It. Gelevich

### [HORNBERGER COLLECTION LETTER]

[Page 1 – Letter]

My address

COA/33 inf N.G.

Camp Cody [[Image: two American flags, staves crossed, banners tied at cross,

New Mexico centered over printed text:

U.S.A.

#### **CAMP CODY**

DEMING, NEW MEX. ]]

Camp Cody

May 16, 1918

Miss Dorothy Hornberger

Dear Friend

Well as I

didn't have much to do

and I heard you would

like to write to a soldier

I will write you a few

lines and tell you a

little about soldier life.

It sure is great life but I

would sooner be in

[Page 2 – Letter Continued, written in 2 columns in landscape format]

the dear old city of I dont [sic] know when we

Davenport. You see my will leave for France.

home is five miles north

It seems to take quite a

of Davenport on the brady while. I wish we would go

street road. It sure is some back to Camp Dodge so I

sandy country here in New could go to Davenport once

Mexico. We have quite a few in awhile. Say that sure

sand storms here. Last week would be great. They built

we were out on a eight day a Liberty theater in camp here.

hike and sure was some trip. It is something like the

Battery boys from Davenport Columbia theater. I guess

are down here. They are about everything looks nice and

one mile from our company. green in the city.

I dont [sic] know very many of the Down here you dont [sic] see

battery boys. But I would like any green grass or trees except

to transfer to the battery. in the town of Deming.

You know this is just like

a desert

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Do you go to any dances in

the city. Would you please

send me one of your pictures

when you write me.

I will send you one [[superscript]] of mine [[/superscript]] the next

[[superscript]] time [[/superscript]] I write of Myself. How old

are you. I am twenty four

years old. Well I'll live

in hopes that I may come

to your house and see you

some day when the war is

over which I hope will be

in the near future. Well I

must close for it is bed time.

Hoping to hear from you.

Your Friend

With Love

ans. soon Pvt. Chas H. Oel[u?]ids

excuse my poor writing.