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Mrs. J. P. Lindstadt
1101 Arch St.
Burlington
Iowa

July - 24 - 1918

Dear Mother!

Just a few
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that we arrived in
Camp Pike Tuesday
night at 11 o'clock.

It sure was some
trip and I certainly
enjoyed it. I certainly
saw some pretty places
and undulating fields
of cotton which is
about ready to pick.

Wednesday night
will be the only
~~time~~^{night} that I will

be able to get any sleep.

Half the boys down here are losing their voices on account of it being so dusty and there are quite a few that are in the hospital; their just ^{moving} taking one of my room mates to the hospital.

The people certainly are patriotic along the route and it seems I shook hands with about a 1000 people. At Keokuk I shook hands

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We get a pretty good meal down here at Camp. I had plenty to do by being corporal. I had to keep track of the boys and also see that they got something to eat. I denied myself a meal Tuesday morning in order to give the fellow enough to eat. I had one egg for breakfast.

I certainly enjoyed the trip and

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there were a contingent
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that no liquor was
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I'm feeling
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so far so don't worry
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My address is
Co. 48 Caval Detachment
102 Depot Brigade
Camp Pike

Arkansas. This address
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where I will soon be.
Don't worry about
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Robert,

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[[Image: Original Military postal stamp, print text “LITTLE ROCK, ARK. / PIKE BRANCH” encircling date: “JUL 25 / 11 AM / 1918”]]

[[Image: Original gray 3-cent Postal Stamp, with left-facing profile of George Washington]]

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