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# 1918-07-31, Varnie to Elmer

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Varnie Stindstadt Co 6. 98rd. Engineers. Mr. Elmer Lines 1101 arch St. Burlington lowa. U. S. a.



# ARMY AND NAVY YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSESSATION "WITH THE COLORS"



Lear Mother

you I arrived safely somewhere in France and am in the best of health. I want to say that this is a pretty Country, and the Elimate is about the same as clowa. Things are somewhat dearer here on account of the war but they are alright: There is lots of things I could tell, about the sights I have seen, but the censor will not permit us to write anything about it, which is a good thing for us, and bad for the enemy, or I will close for this time, hoping to hear from you boon.

W. Soon.

Your Affectionate Son.

Cever: V. J. Lindstadt.

To the Falks at Hears: Serve Food, Bury Liberty Bonds and Was Servings Strange

J. S. Let me know if Job has gone to Camp. J. S. Tell Denry Stadty and all the rest of the folks I give my best regards, also to Minnie & and here is proping all are well. mer House C. O.

## [LINDSTADT BROTHERS COLLECTION #36]

[Page 1 – Envelope]

[?] Varnie T. Lindstadt Co E. 33rd. Engineers. American E.F. [[Image: Seal of YMCA: inverted red triangle with "Y.M.C.A." print across center. "AM[...]" is printed atop, not complete due to damage.]]

Mr. Elmer Linds[tadt]. 1101 Arch St. Burlington Iowa. U.S.A. [[Image: U.S. Army postal stamp: circular seal with "U.S. ARMY POSTAL SERVICE" circling date: "JUL 31 / 5 PM"; To right is printed "SOLDIERS MAIL" with foot-ball shaped post stamp with printed "781" to right. "1918" between]]

[[Image: purple censor's seal, covered with censor's signature, obscured by damage:]] O. [K?].
[J]acob Stone Jr.

[J]acob Stone Jr. [???] Engrs. R. [?]

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[[Image: Flying American flag]]

[[Image: Seal of the YMCA: inverted red triangle with "YMCA" printed across center]]

#### Dear Mother

Just a few lines to tell

you I arrived safely somewhere in France and am in the best of health. I want to say that this is a pretty Country, and the Climate

is about the same as Iowa.

Things are somewhat dearer here on account of the war but they are alright: There is lots of things I could tell, about the sights I have seen, but the censor will not permit us to write anything about it, which is a good thing for us, and bad for the enemy, so I will close for this time, hoping to hear from you soon.

Your Affectionate Son.

(Over.) V.T. Lindstadt

 $\hbox{\tt [[Image: printed footer: ``To the Writer: Save by Writing on Both Sides of this Paper.\,/}\\$ 

To the Folks at Home: Save Food, Buy Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps."]]

[Page 3 – Letter continued] P.S. Let me know if Rob has gone to Camp.

P.S. Tell Henry Stadty and all the rest of the folks I give my best regards. also to Minnie [&] Anna. and here is hoping all are well.

[censor's hand:] O.K.

Jacob Stone

1st Lt. Engrs. R.C.