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Lindstadt Brothers First World War Correspondence Collection #45

Varnie (V.T.) T. Lindstadt
Mr. Elmer Lindstadt
1101 Arch St.
Burlington Iowa
U. S. A.
Dear Mother,

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Your Affectionate Son,

Ever!

V. F. Lindstadt.
P.S. Let me know if Bob 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.

O.F.

[Signature]

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[?] 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.]]

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[[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:]]
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[?J]acob Stone Jr.
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[censor's hand:] O.K.

Jacob Stone
1st Lt. Engrs. R.C.