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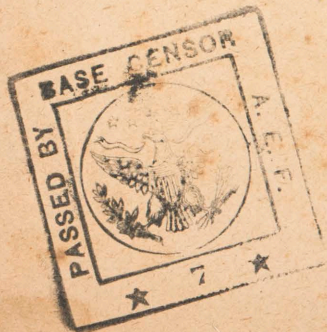
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Nick Heidrick

Glenwood Ave.

Joliet

Ills.

U.S.A.





ON ACTIVE SERVICE
WITH THE
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

Oct. 28th 1918

My Dear Nick:

It gives me great pleasure to advise you that I had the good fortune to see your boy today, don't know his name, but the one that was not wounded, and am happy to tell you that he surely looks very fine and in the best of health, also is quite happy. Unfortunately I was on my way back from having delivered a truck load of supplies to his division, and did not have as large a variety or quantity of smokes and sweets as I usually have on my way out and I surely will make it my business to have them send me over that way again, and will go prepared, and see that he and his friend Gleason, also of Joliet, get a goodly supply of things they like. You no doubt remember my telling you that if I ever got near your boys I would make every effort to see them, and as long as I am anywhere near them I will go out of my way to talk to them and see that they do not want for anything I can furnish them. I usually drive a passenger car, but today the fellow that drives one of our trucks, was unable to make the trip, and when I heard it went to the 33rd division, I begged them to let me drive it, and say it was the first time in my life that I have ever driven a big 5 ton truck but I took the chance and got there and back O.K. and am glad I went. I am working like H over here, and hope my health and strength

holds out so I can serve as many of "Our Boys" as possible, and I trust I will have the pleasure of seeing your other son also, and both of them often, and trust the Good Lord will bring them both safely home to you. Give my best regards to the fellows at the club, and try to remember all the fine points of Bridge, as I never see a card over here, and would not have time to play if I did, so probably will forget how to play. Have been up to the front quite close several times, been under shell fire 3 times, and slept all night in a dugout with the guns roaring and the shells flying, and so far I am O. K.

With Best Wishes and kind regards I am,

Yours Very Truly

Geo. B. Howell

[[Nick Dante 10/7/15]]

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President Washington facing left]]

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President Washington facing left]]

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American YMCA insignia]]

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BORDEAUX NOV6 6AM]]

Nick Diedrich
Glenwood Av.
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PASSED BY BASE CENSOR A.E.F.]]

[[written diagonally:]] Answered 11-26-18

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