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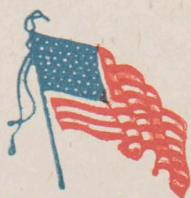


"WITH THE COLORS"



Miss Clara Linstadt
1101 Arch St
Burlington
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From A O Linderson
Camp Pike, Ark.



"WITH THE COLORS"



Camp Pike, Ark.
Sept. 19, 1918.

My dear Clara

I want to thank you first for the money belt that you sent me and also for the card. I don't know what I shall do for you, that I can ever repay you for the things you have sent me and kindness shone me. You also are to be thanked for the share ^{you} had, in giving me the sweater. It surely comes handy now, when the evenings get cool. This camp is not like Camp Hodge in this respect that you can get clothes that are somewhat of a fit to a person. I drew a second hand coat that is without a single button.

HELP YOUR COUNTRY BY SAVING. WRITE ON BOTH SIDES OF THIS PAPER

I have gone to three supply sergeants to see if I could get it changed for something that would fit me, but they all told me that it would only be a short time until we would be sent away from here and then we would all get our O. D. or woolen clothes which fit better. That is the reason I haven't had any picture taken. I only wish they would get ready to ship us soon. We are drilling harder and taking hikes every day to harden us. It is raining here to day so there is no drilling but we had a lecture this morning. I am feeling fine and I hope that you and your mother are keeping well and not over working yourselves. Your brother was in this last registering, but I don't hardly think that he will have to go anywhere. down here there are so many coming in that they are given shoes with holes in them and these clothes are not their full issue.

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"WITH THE COLORS"



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Camp Pike, Ark.

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