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[[image- purple three cents U.S. postage stamp]]

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Pvt. John P. Bell 78<sup>th</sup> Sig. Co. 78<sup>th</sup> Div. Camp Butner, N. C.

A.P.O. 78

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#### P.P.S. XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

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