

CAMP HANCOCK.

Augusta, Ga.

November 16th, 1917.

Dear Mother And Dad;

Received your letters and axe. The axe is in fine condition and believe me, it is certainly in good condition.

Yesterday I did not have a chance to ask the Colonel but may be Miss Fritzingers letter to her brother will do the trick. In case by a s all chance I might get consent at the last moment I ~~wish~~ wish you would send me a money order for \$15.00. If I do not use it will hold untill all hope of a furlough is gone then I will send it back uncashed. As I look into the business of getting a furlough I can easily see how hard it is to get one unless the excuse is death or sickness, or service has kept man away from home for a year or more. Nevertheless I am going to keep on trying till I get one. On Wednesday received a dandy box of fudge from Dot Prickitt who certainly has been a faithful friend.

Last night along with your letter I received a letter from Grandma, inclosed will find her return answer. Yesterday the same notice was posted on the Bulletin board about wrapping and sending correctly addressed mail to camp and also about, the Thanksgiving special to our Regiment.

The gloves you sent me are fine and believe me they are nice and warm. I am very glad to hear you are having such a nice time with the folks enjoy yourself all you can, it will help you to forget some things which otherwise would cause you pain and suffering. For my own peace of mind don't worry about me. I am taking care of myself better than I ever did before and am enjoying what I would call perfect health. A good appetite good sound sleep, and chuck full of spirits. (not wine). At present our new mess sargent is certainly feeding much better except the breakfasts are rather poor. Last night we had shoeleather fried, mashed potatoes and corn, tea bread. Tonight we are going to start in a new style of feeding every eight men have a large bowl one man goes up and gets the eats for his squad 8 men. This is very quick and only one out of every eight instead of all waiting in line for our feed like cattle. Now we will be served our food. Part of our company is detailed to fix up the Rifle Range, so we will be soon going for target practice.

Hoping the box is on time and all are well I am with love,

Howard.

Just finished washing all my clothes for Saturday inspection If they don't dry I am out of luck.