

Aug 30 - 18 In base hospital

Dear folks,

Just got the good news I will be discharged out of here. We leave tonight for a qualification camp and from there I hope to get back to the outfit.

Feel first rate again, and mighty glad to get out and be myself again. Been here just one month today and you know what it is for me to be in a hospital. I see in the paper last night where General Pershing gave our Division a whole lot of credit. Believe me it sure makes a fellow feel some proud. If there was any news in the paper regarding our work, I wish you would send me the clippings. Guess I won't get my mail now until I get back to the company. Say you ought to see my horn (it's the only thing I have with me) all dented up and looks like a freight train ran over it.

Am going to save it with a few souvenirs I got from the Deutschman. Got a chin strap off one of their helmets which I am going to give to Lorenz besides a few buttons. Say mom, did you take good care of that over coat I got in Waco? Please don't wear it for I want to break it in myself when I come home. Now tell me how everything is getting along at home and how are you and those two proteges of mine? Will close now as we are going to have a little talk from the Major. Best regards to everybody.

Love, Kid

Feeling great