

Camp Cody, New Mexico.

October 24-1918

Dear Tom:

But you think I have entirely forgotten you and the good old 2nd Field however such is not the case.

Have been awfully busy since arrival in U.S.A. and from all indications here am going to be busy some more. Well to make a long story short I arrived in the States on time.

I called on Mrs. Tom P. Walker, and found a very pleased little girl. You have surely a grand woman, and needless for me to say she thinks the world of her boy over in France. Whenever you return you will find

I the same true Girl awaiting your arrival  
that you left almost a year ago.

I told Mrs W. what a fine boy you  
are, also told her that you are a  
bit careless at times, that you would  
go out looking for Fritz when you  
should have been away back in a  
dig out with your old "Bold headed"  
Coat. I am unable to say just what  
kind of an impression my ghost stories  
carried, anyway you remember the old  
Story about fair ladies loving grate heroes.  
I pictured you among the greatest heroes of <sup>the</sup> day.  
Well Sonie, I am stuck out  
here, windy, dusty, sandy, dirty, and above all  
DRY desert of N M. Comdg. the 622  
T.S.B. in addition to my other duties am  
acting Div. Sig Officer. Wouldnt that knock  
you off a Kivas tree. I cannot understand  
what I have every done to be treated in  
such a manner as this. Can you beat it?  
Well I have only one solution to offer  
Material very scarce in a dry climate like this.

3 I was out in Calif. 48 hours with my family before reporting here for duty, found them all well and very glad to see me.

Have been watching the papers very close and I can see both and every day what great work the Americans are doing over there, and I bet the old GNP Field continues to show up as of old.

I came through Washington, D. C. on my way West and taken the examination for higher grade, and was appointed eight days latter. So I must have shown some of my old form hah.

I also inquired into your and Conley's promotion, and was informed by one of the Majors, and old friend, that works in the personnel office that all recommendations coming from overseas with Pershing, ok attached no questions were asked, so if you and Conley are not promoted by the time this reaches you, put in your names every month until they do something.

If you boys are sure intitled to some  
consideration if any Officers in Larue are.

Remember me to all the Battalion, and  
tell every one that I am home sick.  
Did Sgt Perkins, get a commission?  
Give my love to Fos for Sam.

Please find time to drop me a line and  
mention every bodies name in the BN,  
there isn't a man but what I would  
like to hear from. I haven't had a word  
from any one back there seems like I  
have been away from the Bu couple of  
centuries, Well Tomie, I do not wish to get  
to sentimental for fear I might burst  
right out crying. Haha.

Let me hear from you at your leisure.

Regards to one and all.

Crook