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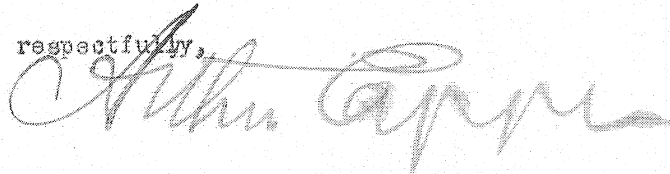
Mrs. Charles H. Goodrich,
640 Nebraska Avenue,
Kansas City, Kan.

Dear Mrs. Goodrich:

I have your letter of September 17th in regard to my subscription to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument fund. I enclose check for \$5.00 as first payment and will be pleased to send the remainder of my \$25 subscription later.

With best regards, I am,

Very respectfully,



NATIONAL WAR WORK COUNCIL



ARMY AND NAVY
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS



"WITH THE COLORS"
Camp Doniphon Fort Sill Okla
Nov 15th 1917

Dear Mrs Goodrich

I have been thinking of writing to you for some times, to let you know how some of us, at least, appreciate your untiring efforts, to make and provide comforts for the boys. There may be some, maybe, who do not think of all that was done for them, to smooth the rough places, which were bound to come with the mobilizing of the troops, while in an unprepared condition. But there are some who will never forget the part which you assumed in making things, as little unpleasant as it was possible to do. Now I think that every thing is getting in fairly good shape. If we have a few days of good weather everybody ought to be comfortable. The appearance of the camp has changed very much since we came here, and nearly all the tents of this company has floors and stoves and day before yesterday electric lights were put

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St. Reby, Kans.
June 29 - 16.

My Dear Mrs. Goodrich
I am writing you in
behalf of the entire Co
to thank you for the
nice things you have sent
the Co. I am having a
lot of the men in the
Co write you I wish
you could see the Co
before we go away you
would think it a new
Co by now. we just
received the ball and pit
tonight and they are out
playing ball now and
having a fine time I
am sure the Co will
remember you a long time
and am sure I will.

STILL NEED LETTERS

"Keep Them Coming to Boys," a K. C. Soldier Writes.

CO. A BADLY SCATTERED NOW.

W. L. McBratney Tells of Home Men's First Drive Over Top Sept. 25 and How Frank Jeffords Bagged Bunch of Huns.

W. L. McBratney, a Kansas City Kas. boy who was with Company A at the border and who went with this unit to France writes to Mother C. U. Goodrich as follows without giving location or date:

To the Home Folks Club:
Dear Mother Goodrich and Friends of Co. A:

As I sit here tonight I am thinking of you and the good old U. S. A. I am not alone either; every boy or man, as I believe we are called, is thinking of his mother and friends at home.

It has been a hard trying time for you all to keep smiling and go on with your everyday life while us boys were fighting Fritz, and probably for weeks you had to go without word from us and you did not know when you would hear that your son or friend was wounded or among the missing. Those were trying days for you folks, while we boys joked with death. Did we shrink from danger or duty? No, not one of us and when Co. A lay in the front line trench on the night of September 25th every man realized what the next six days would mean many things to all of us. For five hours we lay there while our artillery shelled the trenches of Fritz and the back area. Then at dawn we went over and almost as one man we trudged ahead.

Jeffords Had Fun.

It was just day light when Frank Jeffords took the first bunch of prisoners and I will never forget how tickled he was. Jerry soon got our range and the next hour we had to duck his shells until we got the protection of a hill. It was just about the same thing from there on; shell, machine gun nests and gas. Wounded men were everywhere. We kept on going and I was glad when on October 2nd we were relieved. It was a sorry bunch that trudged out of the danger zone to a place of rest and eats. On the same day I was fortunate enough to receive the first mail I had had for six days and Oh! how happy we boys were to get a letter from home.

The days that followed were trying ones for all of us as we were beginning to relax from the strain of that drive and we were a sorry looking bunch. We spent two weeks at this town and everyone was anxious to know what had become of his pal. I had three sacks of mail to be delivered and I also was anxious to know where my comrades were.

A few days later I was surprised as well as honored to see my brother and the good battery "E." I was relieved to know he came out of Co. A Scattered Over France.

It has been quite a while and some of the boys are now just getting back. Two came back a week ago. They had been prisoners since the 20th of September. The men of Company "A" are now scattered all over France and some have returned to the states. I have kept track of most of them and send their mail to them.

So the message I wish to send you is that we need your cheerful letters as bad now as we did when the shells were flying. So no matter who says we are on our way to the U. S. A. keep the letters coming and we boys of Company A will get them no matter whether we are in France or Russia or Germany or any part of the world. We again thank you folks for your many favors and kindnesses and hope it won't be long before we can express our thanks in person.

I am sincerely yours,

W. L. McBRATNEY

Co. A, 187 Hill

Frank Jennings who is just back from France, took his first good look at Minnesota avenue today. He says he has no doubt now where the center and best part of the world is.

"FORTUNE MAKING" \$10 Secures membership and full pro-rata interest in five great Burk Burnett fortune making gusher oil wells. Big opportunity. Act now. Abner Davis, Trustee, Wichita Falls, Tex.

HEADQUARTERS
THIRTY-FIFTH SIGNAL COMPANY
MANCHESTER, TENNESSEE

June 17, 1941

Mother Goodrich,
War Mothers,
Memorial Building,
Kansas City, Kansas.

Dear Mother Goodrich:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks and the thanks of all the boys for the sewing kits received from you last April. I realize that this response is somewhat belated, but it is none the less sincere in appreciation, and it is only because of the fact that we have been on the move for some time now that I have not been able to be more prompt in acknowledging the receipt of the kits.

We have distributed the kits among the men of our entire company and have found them to be most useful in helping to overcome many of the difficulties of maintaining proper appearance of clothing, especially while in the field. All of the men wish to join me in again expressing our gratitude and ask that you pass on our thanks to those who assisted you in providing the means for the gifts.

I wish to remain

Yours very truly,



CLYDE B. ADAMS
1st Lieut., 35th Signal Co
Commanding

NAME C. M. Wood. A. R. C.

Med Dept 

U. S. Army A. E. F.



Mother Goodrich,
Kansas City,
Kansas.
To: Home Folks Club,
Co. A. 127. Inf.

Commemorated in the Mrs. Goodrich, 87 years old

MRS. GOODRICH IN PARADE.

Only Once Since 1890 Has She Missed Memorial Day Exercises.

Mrs. Eliza Goodrich, 87 years old, took part yesterday in the Memorial day exercises in Kansas City, Kansas, for the fifty-fifth time. Since the observances were started in 1890 she has missed only one year when she was ill.

Yesterday Mrs. Goodrich rode in a special car furnished her as the oldest member of the Women's Relief Corps of the G. A. R. in Kansas. At the services at Oak Grove cemetery she read Order No. 11 and "The Little Green Tent."

There were no soldiers of the Civil War in the parade yesterday and Mrs. Goodrich said she believed there were none living in Kansas City, Kansas.

Mrs. Goodrich resided at 640 Nebraska avenue for fifty years.

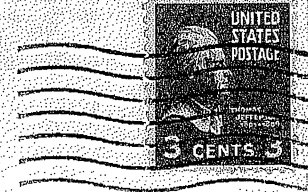
NEW EARLY BURGESS MARK

AFTER FIVE DAYS RETURN TO

Mrs. C. C. Shurbee

623 Oakland

KANSAS CITY, ~~MISSOURI~~ *Kansas*



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640 Nebraska

Kansas City

Kansas