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Sat. July 6, 1918

Left Camp Meade at 5.30 P.M. on P. R. R. via
Baltimore Philadelphia to Jersey City.

Sun. July 7

Arrived at Jersey City 4 A. M. Aboard Ferry Boat
6 A. M. Left for Hoboken 7.30 A. M. Aboard
Leviathan, formerly Vaderland at 11.30 A. M.
Bunk on F. Deck. Aft. Section No 29 Bunk.
Mailed card home "Safe arrival"

Mon. July 8

Abandon Ship 6 P.M. All on deck and played as
boat pulled out at 6.20 P.M. One torpedo boat
destroyer convoy with us first night out on
boat 9 P.M.

Tue. July 9

Convoy left at 7 A. M. Sea very calm. Sighted
whale and parpuses- Sighted sailing schooner
6 P.M. Storm coming- ship drill at 8 P.M.
on deck to 9 P.M. Raining- Sun set beautiful.

Wed. July 10

Salt water shower- Ship drill 7 P.M.
Ship sighted 7.30 P.M. Guns aiming at it.

Thur. July 11

Ship drill 7.30 P.M. Passed through Gulf Streams.
Very hot. Slept on deck part of night.

Fri. July 12

Medical inspection on C Deck - Out of Gulf Streams
much cooler.

Sat. July 13

Passed four ships today- Saw many sharks and whale.

Ship drill at 7 P.M.

Sun. July 14

Up at 4.45 ~~AM~~ P.M. Everybody on deck. All day to 9 P.M. Convoys meet us at 8 A.M.; six destroyers.

Mon. July 15

Up at 3.45 A. M. Raining all day, one destroyer picks up row boat with twenty American soldiers Saw land at 10.45 A. M. Two more destroyers meet us this morning. Dropped anchor in bay. At Brest 12.45 P.M. Scenery in Harbor beautiful. Placed on small boat about 5 P.M. and landed at 6 P.M. Marched about three hours to rest Camp. Pitched tents 9 P.M. Raining today-dark. We had two meals a day on boat and very good.

Tue. July 16

Up 6 A. M. Raining all day. One meal today. Drill one hour.

Wed. July 17

Up at 6 A. M. Rain-drill one hour- 2 meals Cold and no sleep all night.

Thur. July 18

Standing around fire to keep warm to 4 A. M. Marched to R. R. Station. Arrived 7 A. M. Aboard freight car 7.30 A. M. Small car- 8 Chevros or 32 Hommes (8 horses or 32 men)

Frid. July 19

Riding on car-Scenery beautiful.

Sat. July 20

Still on train- Pass through tunnel, 3 miles long. Saw many German prisoners.

Sun. July 21

Arrive station 7 A. M. Marched two hours to Cerilly-Slept in stable- Drank wine for first time. Everybody in Co.drunk (Meals on train very bad)

- Mon. July 22- Drilled all day. Up at 5.30 A. M.
- Tues. July 23- Up at 5.30 A. M. Guarding two of guard houses. Cleaning streets- Walked to Chattilion
- Wed. July 24- Drilled in morning. Took bath in river, afternoon.
- Thurs. July 25- Drilled ~~all~~ day. Candy served in evening.
- Fri. July 26 - Drill in morning--Off afternoon.
- Sat. July 27- Moved from Cerilly at 2.45 P M in trucks Arrived at Champlitte 1 A. M.
- Sun. July 28- No drill- Rest all day.
- Mon. July 29- Up at 5 A. M. Drill to 4.30 P. M. Retreat 6 P.M.
- Tues. July 30- Drilled as usual
- Wed. July 31- Drilled as usual
- Thurs. Aug 1 - " " "
- Fri. Aug 2- Hiked in morning- six hours-off rest of day.
- Sat. Aug 3- Drill as usual.
- Sun. Aug 4- No Drill"

- Mon. Aug. 5- Drill as usual.
- Tue. Aug. 6- Drill as usual.
- Wed. Aug. 7- Drill as usual- Received helmets.
- Thur. Aug. 8- Drill as usual- Medical Inspection.
- Fri. Aug. 9- Out on manuver with Reg. all day.
- Sat. Aug. 10- Hiked for six hours.
- Sun. Aug. 11- No drill.
- Mon. Aug. 12- Drill as usual.
- Tue. Aug. 13- " " "
- Wed. Aug. 14- Out on manuver all day.
- Thur. Aug. 15- Drill as usual- Took gas test for one half hour.
- Frid. Aug. 16- Out on machine gun range.
- Sat. Aug. 17- Hiked for six hours.
- Sun. Aug. 18- No drill.
- Mon. Aug. 19- Drill as usual-- Received over sea caps.
- Tue. Aug. 20- Went to hospital, with grippe- Temp. 103.
- Wed. Aug. 21- Still in Hospital.

Thur. Aug. 22- Still in hospital.
Fri. Aug. 23- Feeling better-Left hospital.
Sat. Aug. 24- Drill as usual.
Sun. Aug. 25- No drill.
Mon. Aug. 26- Drill hours changed-Drill 7.30 to 2.30
Tue. Aug. 27- Drill as usual.
Wed. Aug. 28- " " "
Thur. Aug. 29- " " "
Fri. Aug. 30- Drill as usual. Received auto guns.
Sat. Aug. 31- Drill as usual.
Sun. Sept. 1- No drill.
Mon. Sept. 2- Drill as usual.
Tues. Sept. 3- Drill as usual. Out throwing hand granades.
Wed. Sept. 4- Drill as usual.
Thur. Sept. 5- " " "
Fri. Sept. 6- " " " Medical inspection. Evening
beginning of Roshashanna. Services held in
Sat. Sept. 7- Y.M.C.A.
Roshanna services held in Y. M. C. A. Even-
ing we received orders to draw emergency
~~Sun. Sept. 8-~~ rations and move Sunday.

DAY

Sun. ~~AUG.~~ ^{SEP.} 8- Second holiday-Made packs- Ready to move- Hiked from 3 P.M. to 6 P.M. to R. R. Station-~~Out~~ in heavy rain storm all day until 12 P.M. We got on board freight car very crowded -Pulled out 3 A. M. While in Champlette, three meals a day but very poor. Ate in hotel every evening. The storekeepers would always try to overcharge U. S. Soldiers but we got the best of them. I have drank wine three times. Weather bad, rain nearly every day.

MEMORANDUM.

REFERRING TO GETTING

BEST OF STORE KEEPERS

WE WOULD STEAL

MORE THAN WE

BOUGHT.

- Mon. ~~AUG.~~ ^{SEP.} 9- Arrived in Longville 4 P.M. Pitched tents and slept in mud over shoetop- Heavy rain storm all day.
- Tue. ~~AUG.~~ ^{SEP.} 10- Raining worse -soaked through and full of mud- Moved into hay loft-near canal.
- Wed. ~~AUG.~~ ^{SEP.} 11- Filled ammunition in belts and ready to move to front.
- Thur. ~~AUG.~~ ^{SEP.} 12- We turned in all personal belongings and prepared to move -We pulled out at 5 P.M. Hiked one hour with pack and 500 rounds of ammunition. Laid on wet ground to 12 P. M. waiting for trucks.
- Wed. ~~AUG.~~ ^{SEP.} 13- Arrived near Verdum 10.45 A. M. Hiked two hours -stopped in dugout. Moved to Avincourt Sector 7 P.M. Arrived 11.30 P. M. Relieved Negro Reg. and took our guns positions. Quiet tonight.

- Dat. Sept. 14- Things quiet today. Few aeroplane raids.
- Sun. Sept. 15- Our planes raid Huns line.
- Mon. Sept. 16- A few aeroplane raids of both sides. One Boche plane shot down.
- Tues. Sept. 17- A few aeroplane raids and little artillery fire- At sunset one took water detail down and Huns open fire on spring. No one hurt.
- Wed. Sept. 18- Very little fireing during day. Took water detail down at sunset. Got water under little shell fire. None of our detail hurt. But one other killed and one wounded. About 9 P.M. two Boche raiding planes- Raided our lines and droped large air bombs. None hurt.
- Thur. Sept. 19- Our artillery on the left of us opened a barrage about 7 A. M. to 8 A. M. I have observed through field glasses and saw how they shelled and tore up the Huns lines- Afternoon our planes cross German lines to draw fire of the Huns. They did and the planes directed our Artillery to the Reg. Guns and done some damage.
- Frid. Sept. 20- Huns done little shelling on our lines. None hurt- a few air battles during day. We received orders to move that night. Relieved 8 P. M. by 311 M.G. Co.

We hiked for two hours to some woods and slept in field (cold) We had two meals a day not very good. We were somewhere in the Argonne forest. Captain has not been with us as he was acting Regimental M. G. Commander. Lieut. Judson was Commander of Co.

Sat. Sept 21-Spent day in woods.

Sun. Sept 22-Spent day in woods. Moved at night to some other woods.

Mon. Sept 23-Spent day in woods. Meet Willie McFarland in 37 Division near us. Louis Goldberg same division.

Tue. Sept 24-In same woods- took walk to see some of the big guns. Orders to move that day but changed.

Wed. Sept 25-During time in woods it has rained every night and slept out in open. We received orders to move that night for the front. For the first all American Drive on 20 Mile front in the Argonne Forest, north of Verdun. We reached our front line trenches at 11 P.M. Our first Platoon was attached to the 1st Battallion. Second Platoon was attached to the third Battallion Third Blatoon was attached to the second Battallion.
I was Platoon Agent to Lieut. Schisler-2nd Platoon.

Thur. Sept. 26-At midnight our Artillery on whole front

M. G. →
MACHINE
GUN

Twenty-six Hundred cannons of all sizes) opened a barrage and continued to fire to 5.30 A. M. At that time we went over the top- We started fast at 6 A. M. the signal corps sent up a screen of smoke, which was like a wall in front of us so the Huns can't see us. We advanced a little and was caught in A. M. G. nest. It was hard to advance on account of the ground all tore up. We cleaned out those M. G. nest- killing some and capturing some. We had very few casualties.

We were advancing very fast -one man of H. G. Co. attached to our Company, carrying amunition was hit by a shell and killed All that was found of him was an arm. About 1 P. M. We set up our guns as we had to duck. One came near being shot. The sniper wounded Marshall Warfield through arm. Shot hell through arm- and killed Eberlein, a soldier of 311th and I located sniper in tree and we shot at him. I shot at him seven times with my 45 caliber and he fell out of tree. We advanced very far the first days, capturing many Huns and killed many. Our aeropleanes were flying very low and directed artillery. We took a large woods this afternoon and waited a while until the tanks came - they started across and we followed but couldn't advance on account of heavy machine gun fire - We had to go back about 200 yards and lay in shell holes overnight.

Fri. Sept. 27- At daybreak we start again over NO Mans Land. The weather very bad- Cold- raining- We had to advance under artillery and M. G.

we had to get into shellholes with water above our knees. This morning we cleaned out many M. G. nest- captured many prisoners and took Montfaucon (1200 ft. above sea level) it was one of the best observations past the Huns had. This is where the Crown Prince viewed the Battle of Verdun in 1916 when 100,000 soldiers gave their lives. The town was in ruins- not a building left. That afternoon the Huns were to start a counter attack. We took up a defensive position in case of attack but they failed and we advanced further under heavy fire and gas shells of all kinds.

Sat. Sept. 28

We have advanced a little under heavy shell fire. (There was many air battles, many Boche machines show down Fri. and Sat) One of our machines was shot down and one plane was cut right in half. it ran in to a shell in the air. One Boche plane shot down one of our observation balloons but he was shot down on his way back. That night we returned to Montfaucon and stopped in Graveyard over night.

Sun. Sept. 29

At daybreak we started off again. We went very fast and our Artillery couldn't keep up with us. We crossed many hills and we were under observation of the Huns. We had many casualties, in the 313th Reg. John Ryan, the best liked man of our Company was killed. We kept on going up to a Railroad track which was a defiliated space and stood there for a while. Then we advanced a few hundred yards and was under German observation all the time.

We had many casualties by Artillery M. G. and snipers. This morning we were relieved by the 316th Inf. We went back as far as the

R. R. Track. The 316th Inf. had many stragglers and started for the rear. Just at that time General Nickelson came up on horse back and ordered every man back and told some of us men if we see any stragglers to run them back or shoot them. This afternoon) The 316th Inf. could not hold the lines and our Reg. was ordered back to take the next objective at any cost. Well, we knew what we were up against but the 313th went at it. Our Company started across an open field with the ammunition cars- as we advanced to the edge of a small woods, we set up our guns and opened a barrage. The Huns opened heavy M.G. Fire and there was some Hun snipers left in the woods where we were and they opened fire-and a short distance from us there was a Red Cross Flag supposed to be a hospital. Instead their Artillery opened fire on us. Well they made it very hot for us. We had very many casualties. My Lieut. Schisler was hit very badly by high explosive and dropped. As he dropped, he raised his left leg and a M. G. bullet went through his leg. At the same time another shell dropped near Lieut. Butler (3rd Platoon) and hit him in the leg several places, threw him a few feet in the air. One shell dropped near me and covered me all up with mud. As I got up some shrapnel exploded near me and lucky a piece just skinned my hand and made a slight scratch Lieut. Judson was lucky- a sniper shot at him as he was standing sideways and the bullet went through his sleeve without touching him. We had many casualties but we gained our objective. About 6 P. M. we were relieved again and started back. We had a few casualties going back. We were back about an hour when we received an order to go back again. We had no officers with us at the time.

The First Serg. gives me a message to take up to Capt. Griffith. He was with Col. Sweezy at the time, telling him he would come if necessary. I started with message under heavy shell fire and delivered it. Capt. Griffith said for us to stay where we were. Everything O.K. We stopped near the R. R. overnight.

Mon. Sept. 30-

At daybreak we took up a defensive position at the R. R. track. We made M. G. enplacements and dug in a little in ground to keep out of rain. We stood there until 1 P. M. and the Third Division came in to relieve our 79th Division. We started to go back under heavy artillery fire. We were very tired and hiked about two hours that night to some woods. The whole regiment stood in line for about two hours in mud over the shoe tops waiting for a cup of hot coffee as we had nothing to eat for a few days. When it reached our Company there was no more left, so we had nothing that night.

(During this drive, we had emergency rations of four boxes hard tack, one pound corn willie. We ate that and had one hot meal Sunday midnight. That is all we ate on account of our kitchen could not keep up with us. We had a canteen of water when we started and we did not get to any water until Sunday afternoon. We were lucky that the Huns in their retreat failed to cut off the water. Until Sunday most of the men were drinking water out of shell holes, taking a chance, as most of the holes were full of gas. We had many gas attacks. We wore our masks at times when the gas was heavy. At times we would go right on without them. The weather was cold and raining nearly every day. We had hardly any sleep

as we had to lay in water and mud- Cold out and no cover of any kind.

On Sunday, we had so many casualties, the First Aid couldn't take care of them. So many wounded lying out on the battlefield overnight in the rain -died by morning.

Tues. Oct. 1

Up early this morning. Slept under wagon to keep out of mud. We had breakfast and then hiked back to the woods, where we held our first lines on Sept. 13th and slept in dug-out overnight.

Wed. Oct. 2

We moved into woods where our kitchen was. We pitched tents. About 5 P. M. three Boche planes came over our lines and in a few minutes there was about twenty of our planes after them. They had a small battle-and surrounded them. The Boche had to surrender.

Thur. Oct. 3

We got our packs back and this evening we received orders to move. We started on a hike 7 P.M. and hiked to 4 A. M. next morning.

Frd. Oct. 4

Pitched tents 4 A. M. Up this morning at 11 A. M. Nothing to eat. Get orders to pack up again and move 1 P. M. We hiked from 1 P. M. to 8 P.M. We stopped at Genacourt in Barracks. We had hot coffee before going to bed.

Sat. Oct. 5 Nothing to do this morning -We took a good

wash this morning as we haven't washed for many days and have not had our clothes off since Sept. 12th. So we done a little washing of underwear Today is the first time that cooties have been found on some of the men in our Company.

Sun. Oct. 6

Same place. Resting- Received orders to pack and move at 5 P. M. We were in line and just about to start when an order came to remain overnight.

Mon. Oct. 7

We moved from here 5 P. M. Hiked to 10 P.M. to Saint Miéhl Sector- the road was very bad - water and mud over the shoetops. We relieved the 26th Division. We stopped in dug-outs with electric lights. Men take up their gun positions- Things quiet.

Tue. Oct. 8

Just a little Boche artillery fire and machine gun fire.

Wed. Oct. 9

Things quiet -little artillery fire. Few Boche prisoners taken.

Thur. Oct. 10

Artillery battle.

Frid. Oct. 11

Artillery and machine gun fire.

Sat. Oct. 12

Artillery and machine gun fire.

Sun. Oct. 13

~~THIRD~~
Artillery battle. Huns through many gas shells-Casualties about seventy-five.

Mon. Oct. 14

Still having Artillery battles.

Tues. Oct. 15

Still having Artillery battles.

Wedn. Oct. 16

I had to take a message to Third Platoon at their gun positions in a high mountain about three kilometers from our dug outs. (8 P.M.) Caught in artillery fire and got back safe.

Thur. Oct. 17

Artillery battles.

Frid. Oct. 18

Artillery battles.

Sat. Oct. 19

Artillery battles.

Sun. Oct. 20

Artillery battles.

Mon. Oct. 21

We expected an attack and prepared for a battle. We were filling ammunition belts from 7 P. M. to 4 A. M. Then the Lieut. and I went out to the gun positions (at midnight our artillery opened a normal barrage for one hour.

NEW SUBSOP

Tues. Oct. 22

At 4.30 A. M. the Huns sent over a large raiding party and opened an artillery and M. G. barrage but they were run back.

Wed. Oct. 23

The artillery near us received word of a relief going on, on the German side. They opened a shrapnel barrage and caused many casualties.

Thur. Oct. 24

About 2 A. M. the Huns sent over a heavy barrage of gas shells. They fell far to the left of us. No casualties. Quiet during day.

Frid. Oct. 25

Relief expected at 7 P. M. I was to meet them at the Regimental P. C. and bring in the relief. It was cold and raining and I waited from 6 P.M. to 11 P.M. until they came. I took them down to our dug-outs. We were relieved by the 33rd Division.

Sat. Oct. 26

We started to hike 1 A. M. to 6 A. M. Slept on wet ground about three hours. At Rupt- moved over to Amblomville about 10 A. M. in barracks.

Sun. Oct. 27

Pulled out 4.30 P. M. Supposed to hike about five hours that night but instead of that we hiked fifteen hours.

Mon. Oct. 28

Arrived at the gates of Verdun 5 A. M. Marched to the jail and billeted there; at night

we slept in stable with horses, formerly Market of Verdun.

Tues. Oct. 29

Orders received to be ready to move
Pulled out at 8.30 P. M. Hiked three hours
to Germonville. Slept over night.

Wed. Oct. 30

Orders to move some time to-day. Pulled
out 6 P.M. Hiked until 12 P.M. We were under
shell fire during this hike. We slept in
hollow of hill along side of Mause River on
way to Chaumont.

Thur. Oct. 31

This evening at 6 P.M. we moved to an-
other front where many hard battles have been
fought. We got there at 8 P. M. It is Ormonts
Farm, part of BELLEAU WOODS- We passed through
Death Valley under little shell fire not know-
ing what a bad place this is. No casualties
We relieved the 26th Division.

Fri. Nov. 1

This morning about 4 A. M. the Huns
opened an artillery barrage. One man of our
Company was wounded- Our trenches were only
about seventy-five yards away from the
Boche Trench. At some places it was closer;
we had to whisper to each other so they
did not hear us. There were many dead American
soldiers laying out in front of our guns, For
one week or two, but couldn't be taken away.

Some were of the 26th Division and 29th Division ; 115th Inf. Our Artillery did a lot of fireing. It looks as though the Huns could see every move we made. At noon the Huns opened a very heavy artillery barrage for three hours without stopping. Lucky no one was hurt in our Company. It broke in the front of one of our dug outs and through a lot of mud and stones into ours. After dark they would throw up flairs one after the other and fire their M. G. They were afraid of an attack.

Sat. Nov. 2

Artillery fire nearly all day. We had very little shelter. Everything the same as the day before.

Sun. Nov. 3

The usual heavy barrage at 4 A. M. At 2 P.M. they started another barrage for about two hours without stopping. We were lucky that only one man was killed. Three men were sitting together at the M. G. when the shell hit the gun and broke it, killing No. 1 man and not touching the others. This evening a dictaphone was found in one of the dug-outs. The Huns must have heard everything that was said in some dug-outs. They found bombs under the floors. During night M. G. fire and flairs as usual.

Mon. Nov. 4

The usual barrage. This afternoon I started out to look for water as we had no water for three days. One of the boys and I started

through an open field all torn up by shells and there were very many dead which we had to cross over- We found some water. On our way back, the Boche fired at us with machine guns. We said "Never again will we go there".

Tues. Nov. 5

Usual barrage -morning-day and evening- One shell blew up some of our amunition and boxes, which were setting outside of dug-out

Wed. Nov. 6

Barrage same as usual.

Thur. Nov. 7

Barrage same as always- While going to Officers P. C. I noticed a box laying on ground and wires near by and when we touched or stepped on wire, M. G. would open fire. At 12 P. M. we were relieved by the 26th Division. Each squad of our Company pulled out with a guide. A few squads were caught in heavy barrage and couldn't pull out.

Fri. Nov. 8

We started out of woods 5 A. M. under barrage We made double time but two were wounded. We went back to hill near Mause River where out kitchen is and rested for day.

(This Ormont Woods is part of the "Belleau Woods" known as Hill 360 and Valley below as "Death Valley".) The Huns were about

seventy-five yards from our gun positions. Their artillery had the exact range on every path in woods and valley and they would always open a barrage; at night their M. G. would always fire and they would keep on throwing up flairs. We would drop in the mud so they could not see us. Their artillery tore the woods up so bad that we couldn't find our way at night. Every time a flair would go up we would pick out a path and go a little further. This woods was full of dead of all kind. There has been a few drives made there but always driven back again. Hundreds of dead have been laying for weeks, but no one can get a chance to take them away. There were many U. S. Boys lying about ten yards in front of our guns- many of the dug-outs were mined and had dictaphones in them.

Death Valley- the Huns always fired there every time somebody passed. There were casualties every time one would step on railroad track or wire, they would open fire. The dead were laying all along there for a few weeks. Every man in this woods was a nervous wreck. Water was very hard to get. Many days we had no water. Mess we had once a day on account of the danger to bring it up.

Sat. Nov. 9

This morning at 7.30 A. M. we started for another front towards Chaumont. We hiked about four hours. We stopped on some road and couldn't go further on account of shell fire and being

under Huns observation. We laid on road until 6 P.M. and hiked back to the place we started from and stopped over night.

Sun. Nov. 10

We left this Hill 7.30 A. M. and marched to Hill on left side of Hill 360. The trenches at this place were very crowded with dead Germans, the most we have ever seen. We had to run over them with out carts to get to our place. We stopped here over night.

(For the past few days the Huns have been retreating so fast that our boys could hardly keep up. They were nearly out of reach of our artillery all the time in these few days)

Mon. Nov. 11

This morning at 7.30 A. M. we started for Chaumont Our artillery was to open a barrage from 8.30 to 10.30 A. M. and then we were supposed to go over the top. About 9 A. M. we were caught in Huns shell fire. Took our guns and amunition off the carts and started to walk. It was very foggy this morning and couldn't see over ten yards in front of us. We were caught in a barrage and had to hide behind a slope at road. The shells were bursting all around us. We were lucky that the ground was very soft and the shells stuck there and only threw a lot of mud over us. Things quieted down a little at 10.30 A. M. At 10.30 A. M. we received orders to open A. M. G. barrage Just as we set our guns up to fire, an officer passed by and said "Boys, take your time, I have

a message to stop fireing 11 A. M! We could hardly believe it until we were told to stop fireing at 11 A. M. and not to fire unless they fire. The last shot by both sides were fired exactly 11 A. M. We laid there until 1 P.M. The fog lifted about 12 noon and find how lucky we were. We were caught in a trap with Huns on three sides of us and Company A was only a few yards away from them. If the war would have kept up a few hours longer, there would not be many of us left to tell about it. That afternoon, we moved back of the Hill and took defensive positions. About 4 P. M. the Huns started to celebrate fireing all kinds of sky-rockets. They kept this up all night.

Tues. Nov. 12

Stoping at same place. Nothing unusual.

Wed. Nov. 13

Left Chaumont 2 P.M. Hiked four hours to some hill. Built a small hut.

Thur. Nov. 14

No drill.

Fri. Nov. 15

Drill three hours.

Sat. Nov. 16

Drill three hours.

Sun. Nov. 17

K. P. today. Pay day.

Mon. Nov. 18

Drill one hour.

Tues. Nov. 19

Drill as usual

Wed. Nov. 20

Drill as usual.

Thur. Nov. 21

Moved from here 1 P. M. Hiked to 8 P.M. Billeted in stable five miles out side of Verdun.

Frid. Nov. 22

Cleaned out stable.

Sat. Nov. 23

Drill in morning.

Sun. Nov. 24

No drills.

Mon. Nov. 25

Drill as usual.

Tues. Nov. 26

Drill as usual.

Wed. Nov. 27

Drill as usual.

Thur. Nov. 28

Thanksgiving Day. No Drill.
Amateur show in stable.

Frid. Nov. 29

Hiked four hours. Came back. Nothing to eat only coffee. (Some hot soldiers)

Sat. Nov. 30

INSpection in morning. Took bath. Moved to

small hut.

Sun. Dec. 1

No drills.

Mon. Dec. 2

Inspection of all equipment.

Tue. Dec. 3.

Drill and hike to Thierville.

Wed. Dec. 4.

Hike five hours.

Thur. Dec. 5

Moved to Verdun 11 A. M. Hiked two hours.
Billeted in Convent.

Frid. Dec. 6

K. P.

Sat. Dec. 7

Inspection- bath.

Sun. Dec. 8

No drill.

Mon. Dec. 9

Drill five hours everyday after today.

Tues. Dec. 10

Drill five hours.

Wed. Dec. 11

Drill five hours.

Thur. Dec.12

Hike five hours.

Fri. Dec.13

Drill

Sat. Dec.14

Inspection.

Sun. Dec.15

No drill.

Mon. Dec.16

Cootie bath

Tue. Dec.17

Drill

Wed. Dec.18

Drill five hours.

Thur. Dec.19

On pistol range. Target practice.

Frid. Dec.20

Five hour manuever

Sat. Dec. 21

Inspection

Sun. Dec.22

No drill.

Mon. Dec.23

Machine gun range- target practice.

Tues. Dec.24-Five hour manuever-Guarding Stable.

Wed. Dec. 25

Christmas. No drill. Rotten turkey for dinner. Some hot soldiers.

Thur. Dec. 26

9 A. M. moved from Verdun. Hiked six hours to Suilley. Stopped over night in French Field Hospital. Near German Prison Camp.

Frid. Dec. 27

Up at 6 A. M. Started to hike 8 A. M. seven hour hike to Seiguellieus- Billeted in very dirty stable.

Sat. Dec. 28

No drill.

Sun. Dec. 29

K. P.

Mon. Dec. 30

Drill as usual.

Tues. Dec. 31

Four hour hike.

Wed. Jan 1

New Year- Turkey dinner. Enough to look out. Guard stable at night.

Thur. Jan 2

Drill as usual.

Frid. Jan 3

Drill as usual. Stable Guard.

Sat. Jan. 4

Inspection.

Sun. Jan. 5

Drill as usual.

Mon. Jan. 6

Drill as usual.

Tue. Jan. 7

Drill as usual.

Wed. Jan. 8

Drill as usual.

Thur. Jan 9

Drill as usual.

Fri. Jan 10

Hiked three hours.

Sat. Jan 11

Inspection.

Sun. Jan 12

No drill.

Mon. Jan 13Manuever- Changed into hike. Chased off field
by farmers.Tues. Jan 14

Drill as usual.

Wed. Jan 15

Manuever

Thur. Jan 16

Manuever

Frid. Jan. 17
Moved to Hargeville.

Sat. Jan 18
Inspection.

Sun. Jan 19
No drill.

Mon. Jan 20
Manuever

Tues. Jan. 21
Drill as usual.

Wed. Jan. 22
Manuever- Guard.

Thur. Jan. 23
Guard.

Fri. Jan. 24
Manuever

Sat. Jan 25.
Inspection

Sun. Jan. 26
No drill.

Mon. Jan. 27
No drill.

Tue. Jan 28
No drill.

Wed. Jan. 29
No drill.

Thur. Jan. 30
No drill.

Fri. Jan. 31
Guard

Sat. Feb. 1
Guard

Sun. Feb. 2
No drill.

Mon. Feb. 3
Room orderly

Tue. Feb. 4
Washed machine gun carts

Wed. Feb. 5
No drill

Thur. Feb. 6
No drill

Fri. Feb. 7
No drill

Sat. Feb. 8
K. P.

Sun. Feb. 9
No drill.

Mon. Feb. 10
No drill.

Tue. Feb. 11
Guard

Wed. Feb. 12
No drill.

Thur. Feb. 13
No drill.

Fri. Feb. 14
No drill.

Sat-Feb 15- to Feb. 23-
Sprained arm. Fell down steps in
stable 8 A. M.

Mon. Feb. 24
Arm well

Tue. Feb. 25 to Thur. Feb. 27
No drill.

Frid. Feb. 28
Went to Barleduc on pass. Had a good
time; returned 5 P.M.

Sat. March 1
Inspection.

Sun. Mar 2
No drill.

Mon. Mar 3 to March 8
No drill.

Sun. Mar 9
No drill. Pay day.

Mon. Mar 10- Left Hargeville 10. 15 A. M.

Eighteen men on truck arrived at Souilly
12.15 P. M. Left Souilly 3. 30 P.M. on
Germany third class cars. Verdun 6.30 A.M.
Out 9.30 P. M. Slept in Baggage rack. Legs
tied to pipe.

Tue. Mar 11

Stopped at Gondrecourt 7.30 A. M. out
8.10 A. M. Is-Sur-Tille 2.45 P.M.
Marched to rest Camp; visited Y. M. C. A.
K of C. Masons, visited U. S. Bakery
ALL work done by machinery. Bake 100,000
pounds of bread per day. To bed 10 P.M.

Wed. Mar 12

Up 7.30 A. M. Moved to New Barracks. Just
put up by German prisoners. Good bunks to
sleep. 1 P. M. we were notified. We are
going to Vals-Le-Banes. The 313th Inf.
marched to officer in charge and asked to
go back to Company or go some other place.
Lieut. sees Col. but couldn't do anything.

Thur. Mar 13

Up 7 A. M. Left on French third class cars
9.30 A. M. Stopped at Dejeaun from 11.45 A.M.
to 3 P.M. Slept in Baggage rack.

Frid. March 14

Up 6 A. M. Arrived at Vals-Le-Banes 11 A. M.
Med. Inspection in station, then checked out
at 8 A. M. Marched to Hotel Lyon. Supper
5.30 P. M. Saw show at Y. M. C. A. at night.

Sat. Mar. 15 Up 9 A. M. Had breakfast -had

picture taken. 1 P. M. ^{Took} car ride to
Rubenas (7 K) back 5 P. M. Dance Y. M. C. A.
at night.

Sun. Mar. 16

Up 9 A. M. Had breakfast . Afternoon out
for some fun.

Mon. Mar. 17

Up 9.30 A. M. Had breakfast-went to Rubenas
afternoon. Back 5.30 P. M. Y. M. C. A. at night.

Tues. Mar. 18

Up 9 A. M. took Mineral bath-Breakfast at Y.
Afternoon around town -t P.M. Went to Rubenas.
Out for good time. Weidner dressed as French
soldier and me in civilian clothes and two frogs.
Stopped at Francais Hotel.

Wed. March 19

Up 8 A. M. Went back to town. Movies at Y. M.C.A.
at night.

Thur. Mar. 20

Up 9 A. M. Took mineral bath. Afternoon Driscull
and I played off as newspaper reporters and
inspected silk mills. At night mask dance at Y.

Fri. Mar. 21

Up 8 A. M. Report Y. 9.30 A. M. with packs. Back
to Hotel for dinner. Left Y. 3.30 P.M. Marched
to station. Left 6.30 P.M. on Germany 2nd class.
Made Hammock with blanket and slept good.

Sat. Mar. 22

Arrived at Is-Sur-Tille 9.30 P.M. Marched to
Rest Camp-Stopped over night.

Sun. Mar. 23

Same place -took walk over to town. Busy little town.

Mon. Mar. 24

Same place. Marched to station 6 P.M. No room on train for M. G. Co. Went back to Camp for night. Saw opening show at New Theatre-Sixth Division show.

Tue. March 25

Report at station 8 A. M. Left on German third class 9.45 A. M. Neufcheteau 2.30 Hot coffee and sandwiches by Red Cross. Arrived at Toul 5.30 P.M. Walked around town; back 10 P.M. Left 10.30 P.M. Barleduc 1.30 A. M. Slept on floor at Y. M.C.A.

Wed. Mar. 26

Around town until 4.30 P. M. Missed train to Hargeville- Went back on Y. M. C.A. trucks. Back 6.30 P. M. Beaucoup Mail.

LOT OF MAIL

Thur. Mar. 27

Back on old job. Up 6.15 A. M. Busy packing up to move.

Frid. Mar. 28

Left Hargeville 9 A. M. (Rain, show, hail) Arrived at Longville 1 P.M. Billet in stable.

Sat. Mar. 29

Left Longville 9.30 A. M. Raining and hailing very bad. Arrived at Stainville 1.30 P. M. Billet in stable. All wet, shoes full of water. No other clothes to change.

Sun. Mar. 30

Left Stainville 8.30 A.M. (Rain-snow) Arrived at Montreuil 3.30 P. M. Billet in stable-Legs very stiff.

Mon. Mar. 31- Left Montreuil 8 A. M. Good weather.

Arrived at Rimecourt 6.30 P. M. Very hard hike
Soldiers dropped out very fast along road.

April 1

Left Rimecourt 8 A. M. Arrived at Lafauche
12 noon. Stopping in barracks. No bunks.
Surroundings as usual.

Wed. April 2- to Frid. Apr. 4th

Nothing doing.

Sat. April 5

Out riding on mule. Stiff in legs.

Sun. April 6

Nothing doing.

Mon. Apr. 6 to April 11

Worked all week to fix up Co. for inspection and
review by General Pershing.

Sat. April 12

Company out for review by Gen. Pershing. Weather
raining hard. I stood back. At night we had
the jazz band at our barracks. Plenty of beer
sandwiches and cigars.

Sun. Apr. 13

Nothing doing

Mon. Apr. 14

Turned in machine guns-carts- went to Rimecourt
for Passover. Very good Seder at night.

Tue. Apr. 15

Services in morning. Seder at night and show
by 7th Division, after Seder.

Wed. Apr. 16

Services in morning-Went back to Company 2 P.M.

Thur. Apr. 17

Nothing doing. Turned in all animals.

Frid. Apr. 18

Afternoon marched down to parade ground to hear
Col. Sweezy speak to 313th Inf.

Sat. Apr. 19

Company reformed.

Sun. Apr. 20

Nothing doing

Mon. Apr. 21

Nothing doing. Company on Reg. review

Tue. Apr. 22

Nothing doing

Wed. Apr. 23

Nothing doing

Thur. Apr. 24

Up 5.30 A. M. Left Lafauche 9 A. M. Hiked three hours to Remicourt-Aboard U. S. Freight cars 3 P.M. Pulled out 5 P M. Made hammock with blanket-slept good (42 men in car)

Frid. Apr. 25

Still on train-Beautiful scenery

Sat. Apr. 26

Arrived in Nantes 1 P. M. Laid over to 3 P.M. Arrived at Cholet 9 P M Billeting in school house. Best town we were ever in- 25,000 population. Running water, gas-electric, beautiful town

Sun. Apr. 27

Up 8 A. M. Looked over town- 8.30 P M. Went to movies- out 12 P M

Mon. Apr. 28

Company under arrest in quarters until noon. Around town after noon.

Tue. Apr. 29

10 A. M. Reviewed and inspected by Col Sweezy (313th) 2 P. M. Medical and coodie inspection. Evening around town.

Wed. Apr. 30

Nothing doing.

Thur. May. 1

Nothing doing. Very bad toothache.

Tooth filled.

Friday May 2

Nothing doing. Bad tooth^hache all day.
Went to movies at night.

Sat. May 3

Had wisdom tooth pulled.
7 P. M. Equipment inspection.

Sun. May 4

10 A. M. Equipment inspected. Capt. Baker notified he will be transferred to Co. R. and Lieut. Judson- made Capt. Will Be ~~in~~ IN command of Co.
6 P. M. Med. inspection.
8 P. M. Movies.

Mon. May 5

Sgts. fight in Company on account of change of Capt. *DO NOT WANT JUDSON*

Tue. May 6

Inspection. 2 P M another inspection.

Wed. May 7

Nothing doing. 9 P M movies.

Thur. May 8

Nothing doing.

Frid. May 9

2 P. M. Medical inspection. 7 P M. Movies

Sat. May 10

10 A. M. inspection.

Sun. May 11

10 A. M. inspection in field. 8 P. M. movies.

Mon. May 12

Nothing doing. Ate ice cream first time
in France.

Tue. May 13

10 A. M. moved to Station. Left 2.15 P.M.
through Nantes 6.45 P.M. St. Nazare 9.45 P.M.
Hiked to Camp 2. Heavy pack. 10 P. M. to
11.30 P. M. Mess 12 P.M.

May 14 (Wed)

Up 7 A. M. Medical examination 9 A. M. -2 P.M.
Moved to Delouseing Camp. 4 P.M. Moved to
Camp 1, formerly German Prison camp.

Thur. May 15

Had all French money exchanged for U. S. money
6 P.M. final Medical Examination.

Frid. May 16

Made pack up; ready to move to boat.