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YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

"WITH THE COLORS"



Sun Sept 16 1917

Dear Dad & Mother:-

I can not realize the season so far advanced this summer has sure gone in a hurry. At first time went awful slow but now the weeks pass before one knows it. Rec'd. your letter yesterday it seems strange to hear you talk of frost when it is so far from it here. The nights are just cool enough to sleep good and from sun up to sun down it is sure hot. I sweat all

the time, when we come
in off of a 10 or 12 mile hike
some of us are nearly as
wet as if we had been in
the creek, the fellows that
do not sweat can not stand
the heat very good. Most of
the fellows are getting pretty
tough but you would be
surprised to see how little
some of them could stand at
first. Enclosed you will find
a picture of our squad before
I was made corporal the
fellow on the right of me is the
only one still with me. A fine
fellow he is before coming here
was a Canadian ranger &
horseman from the word go.
The man in front of me is
the ex. cow puncher I wish

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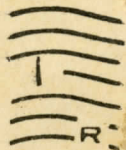
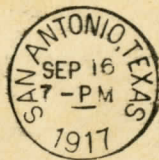
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you could know him and
hear him talk a soul head
he has and a world of wit.
the fellow on my left is from
Chicago or near there has spent
his life on a farm a true blue
if I know one. the rest are
good all round fellows but
the three mentioned are above
the average. This Barny Kelly
has been ~~condemned~~ condemned
by the Gov. and every one has
to be out of here in two
weeks where we go God
only know but I am at the
point that I do not care

Before I have learned Dad
to ask no questions and do
as near what you are told
as you can. All of us will
be mighty glad to leave here
It was condemned of account
of unsanitary conditions. The
port condemned is here where
the tents are they are going
to seed it to grass. The doctor
keeps some of the boys in the
hospital all the time. The Lodge
gave a smoker to all members
of Kelly Field last Thurs. night
They showed us a swell
time. I am sorry that our
squadron has been made a
construction sqdn. but they tell
us after the construction is done
~~we~~ we will have all the chances
in the world to fly. So long there



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