

Plainfield 10-31-18

Dear Chip.

Your letter of 3rd inst. just came in and we surely were rejoiced to have one within the current month we had three last week all over a month old, but they were from you all the same and the Devas had planned it for a partial diversion, for the sudden transferring of Franks activities to another sphere was a great shock especially to Mother, had we known of his sickness it would not have been quite so bad, but we were expecting him home next week. and put most of our time in planning our trips. and another disappointment to us is we have no photo. have never seen him in his uniform

I am going to write the boys of his detachment soon and will tell you about it. 19 of them and a sergeant sent me 20 for flowers and the florist surely did arrange them in a way that soothed the aching heart.

The influenza is raging yet here two deaths yesterday up on the rockville road. near Griswold. and Harry Hollingsworths wife all of Frank Gibbs family are down with it. but not so many cases as was on a week ago. all our folks are about over it I feared for Bert, but he is going to pull out all right and the rest of them were not very bad. None of L.W. or N.E. have had it. and Mills not any bad case. Ben had it first and then the rest of them. we went up.

I see your A. P. O. has changed 774. I have been giving out the old number 758.

yesterday to see them and found May better the children also. Ethel wrote us last week. Alden had it and had been very bad. Even was at the shipyards and the girls was running the business at home. Neither of the girls could get home on account of sickness.

You spoke about your bonds one has been sent me some time ago. \$100.00 but that is all I also got notice of your government insurance. I also got notice of your Iowa insurance and will pay the premium soon. I got word to day that my pension had been increased I expect to 38 per. but they didnt say my Chum J. Hollett missed that amount of increase because he lacked one day of being in long enough I devote a part of my pension to savings stamps, and have bought all the bonds I could. pay for. the people sure have come across with the money we were very thoroughly convinced that the war had to be won in spite of a rebell president and a solid south. in the 4th Liberty loan Marion Co. assessment was twenty six millions and the State of N.C. was 17 millions we have paid to support this war & to reimburse the south for civil war. next week is election week & the President has ordered every true American to vote the Democratic ticket. the Devas were on his side before and I am very anxious to know for how much longer.

soon again Dad



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