



Mr Edgar Davidson

Pine City,

Minnesota

Route 3



FORT LEONARD WOOD  
MISSOURI

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Dear Edgar and Betty:

Sorry I didn't get to see you  
when I was home on furlough, but  
time went so fast I didn't see half  
of those I would like to have seen.

I hear you have another mouth  
to feed, well lets hope every thing  
turns out all right so he can grow  
up in a free country.

Too bad about Vernon Janssen, well  
I guess he could never learn until it  
was to late.

On my furlough trip I went  
through Chicago, Saint Louis, Milwaukee  
and Madison, so saw some new cities.  
I went back on the 400 one of the  
fastest passengers between Mpls. and  
Chicago.

I see Ed Horien got brave again  
too now that he has a baby girl. He seems  
to be going places with his band too.

I have my fingers crossed, hoping  
that the Second Battalion Coxs. E. F. G. & H  
will get a lucky break, and be send  
to Burlington Iowa to guard the  
Ammunition plant there. The third  
Battalion went to St Louis last week  
for guard duty. If we go there it will  
be untill the duration of the war.

Less than two weeks untill Xmas  
it will be my first one away from home  
We had a swell turkey dinner down  
here Thanksgiving day.

I got back to Fort Wood from my  
furlough the 8<sup>th</sup>. The 11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary day  
10,000 of us soldiers paraded the streets  
for 3 1/2 hours in Saint Louis. It was  
one of the largest parades ever held  
there.

I will close wishing youse a  
Merry Xmas and Prosperous New Year

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