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WWI - Correspondence to + From  
Soldiers

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[Box 3]





# LEGIBILITY ON ORIGINAL DOCUMENT POOR





On our way home  
 pray for  
 my dear Pastor  
 Just a line  
 the new. Arr. D. K.  
 fine. Trying hard to  
 adjust myself to new  
 Army life  
 Have been given a  
 chance at clerking  
 typing in office, a lil  
 new work, but hope to  
 make good. Trust you  
 are well. Take good care  
 of my girls. Love and  
 in better suits. with love  
 ack.

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SOLDIERS MAIL

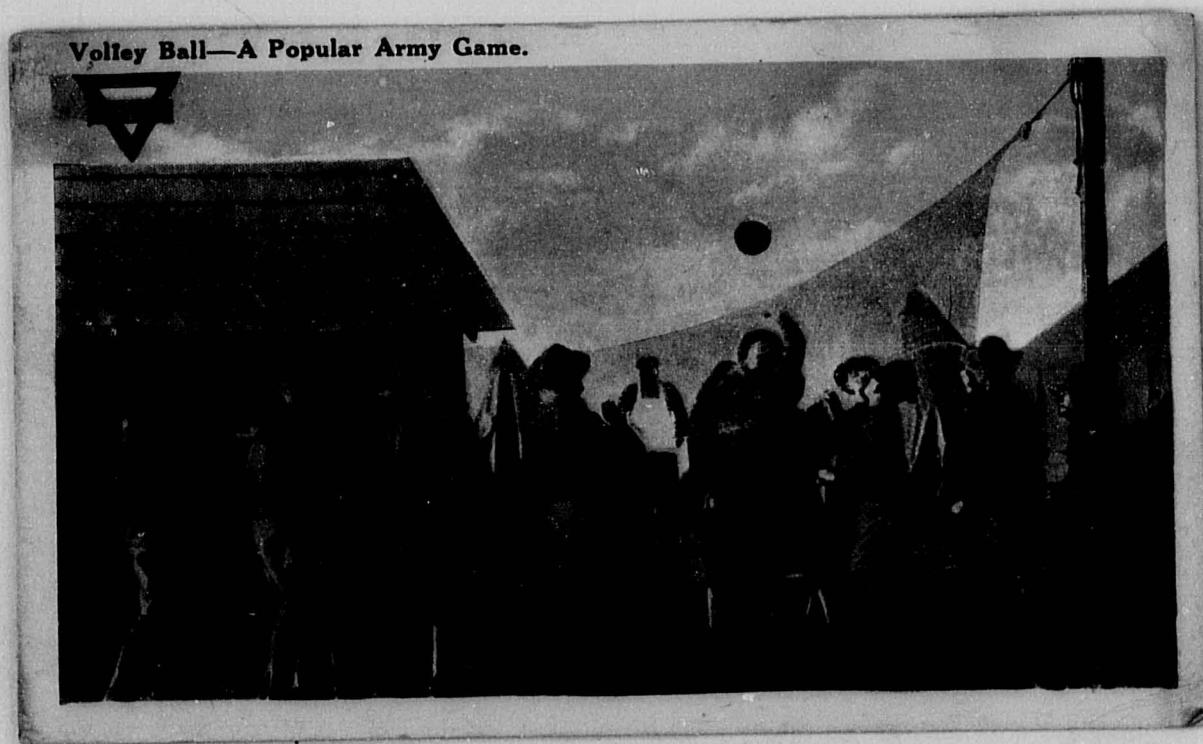
Rev. J. E. Nash  
 64 Walnut  
 Buffalo  
 N. Y.

THIS SPACE FOR ADDRESS.





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MILITARY  
POST OFFICE  
SOLDIERS MAIL



Greetings from  
Walton Hunt.

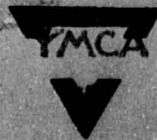
I am going over  
today! My love  
and best wishes  
to all. Remember me  
when you pray.

Rev. E. Nash.  
58 Walnut St.  
Buffalo New  
York





ARMY AND NAVY  
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION  
"WITH THE COLORS"



Oct 24. 1918  
Casual Co 144th  
Camp Merritt

Dear Mash

Dear sir. Will you  
write me a few lines to let me  
know that I am still a live  
and you are well and I hope  
things are going fine there in  
Buffalo. Give the Member  
my love and hope to get back  
some day soon I think the  
war will soon be over I hope it  
will so the boys can come  
home. We left for France last  
week but had to back we  
go about 50 miles out from New  
York City. So Dear all that  
we can do is to trust in the  
Lord. Pray for me and I will  
be back. Remember on the  
Church service flag. Will let  
you hear from me when I get to  
France. By by  
from your friend.

Robert Glith

To the Writer: Save by Writing on Both Sides of this Paper.  
To the Folks at Home: Save Food, Buy Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps.





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



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Aug 27 - 1918

Rev J E Nash

my dear minister  
 I thought that I would you  
 a few lines to let you hear  
 from me I am well but not  
 I am so well hope that you  
 are well and enjoying a  
 happy life times it is really  
 hard out, never talking  
 no what a bad life was written  
 to and here I right to to let  
 to where I am at so that you  
 might pray for me I am  
 praying. My self and by  
 with your help I may be  
 saved. If I die on the battle  
 field I got the same faith and  
 the same spirit so I want you  
 to pray for me that I might  
 hold out to the end  
 of what I want to say.





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This times is hard and we  
are suffering here and dont  
no how long we going to  
be here but it. be long  
the way things look if you  
possible. can take up a  
flexion for me send me  
what you can and I will  
send among the boys.  
As for as it. we go we cant  
stay by pleasure at all  
We have stay in tents and  
the chapter lat tent side on  
the ground and the wind is off  
right and our food get full  
of sand if we dont get enough  
to eat we go with out water  
the next meal we go hungry  
the food that we eat it had  
meat in it for so many  
years. I cant explain it to



you just like i want to but  
i will just give it to the  
best of my knowledge it had  
been recommended to me that  
it is 20000 thousand people  
there. so you no just about  
show it is. ~~the~~ if it is any  
thing that you can send  
me i will be glad to see it all  
I'm glad at least to  
show it may be  
this is ~~the~~ my address

John L. Hurman  
408-16<sup>th</sup> 206.60 7Bn  
Depot Bagard  
Camp Upton  
New

i had been drafted &  
never sent you mist-  
ake from Service but  
i just see that i need  
some help. i wanted  
to see before i went off  
but they didn't give me  
time to do by thing  
except mistakes and bad  
righting



Mr. John A. Green, 64 Walnut St. Buffalo N.Y.  
Battery B 349 Field Artillery,  
American Expeditionary Forces, July 30<sup>th</sup> 1918

My Dear John:-

I am quite certain that long since you have gotten a comprehensive idea of what it means to be a soldier, that is a soldier in uniform and under military discipline, for I know that even before Uncle Sam honored you by giving you a chance along with thousands of your fellow citizens to suffer, fight and if need be make the supreme sacrifice upon the altar of your Country's honor, you were a potential soldier expressing your loyalty and patriotism in a thousand ways. For only such men are counted worthy to wear our Country's uniform and to march and fight under her Flag.

He who is left here in the quiet



and ease of the home will not be quiet  
and at ease until you and all your  
Comrades over there and over here are  
quiet and at ease enjoying all the  
Comforts and benefits of an honorable  
peace in which all the world may  
share. He will buy liberty bonds and  
Saving Stamps, support the Red Cross  
the Y.M.C.A. and every other movement  
that will help to make your service over  
there effectual. Many boys have left Buf-  
falo since your departure. I under-  
stand your brother David will leave for  
Camp in a few days. Even<sup>thing</sup> in America  
may not always go in such a way  
as to make us proud and give us inspiration.  
But when we read of the Courage, fortitude  
and valor of you and your Comrades over  
there we are always inspired, encour-  
aged and made proud.

All the folks here at home are ever  
mindful of our Soldier boys and  
if only in a limited way are doing our  
best to keep the home fires burning and



benefit of that good bass voice.  
We are planning to have some time  
in the near future in our Church  
a service in honor of our boys  
over there. We shall be glad to have  
a letter from you and any of  
the boys over there.

John I am trying to do as  
you told me about our girls. El-  
dora Sanford has just let here.  
She told me to tell you to be good just  
as though a man could be any other  
way in the Army.

Every now and then I see  
Miss Catts. She is as enthusiastic  
as ever over her Choir and the  
general subject of music. She  
always speaks with a great deal  
of pleasure about her old time  
Choir, but now Soldier boy. Her  
nephew left for Camp last week.

I was in your uncle's  
place of business last Wed. and  
saw your Sister. All are well.



even though you are far away we wish you to feel their warmth and enjoy the light that goes out from them. Just last Thursday the employees in <sup>the</sup> Chamber of Commerce Restaurant give an entertainment for a number of our Soldier boys who are here in the Hospital at Fort Porter. They cleared \$1.70 that will get the boys a lot of smokes, books, papers, magazines and so on.

Of course as you would expect our Christian Culture Congress closed the last Sunday in June.

We have a big adult class in our Sunday School under the leadership of M. L. Sayers. When you come back we shall have a large place for you where you will be able to do much for the young men.

I hope you have been able to make good use of your great musical talents. Give the boys the



The pulpit Com. of our Church under  
the leadership of Mrs. Emma White  
has put a star in our service  
flag for you. She sends her  
love to you.

If my health were real  
good I would offer myself  
for religious work among our  
boys over <sup>there</sup>. For I feel that a man  
who wishes to be helpful to his  
fellow men has the greatest op-  
portunity among the soldier boys  
that he could possibly have. But  
I must do my whole duty here. For  
men here need inspiration and  
encouragement to live noble lives.  
Write as often as you can.  
Pack up your troubles in your  
old kit bag and smile smile  
until we meet again.

From your pastor  
Edward Nash



The ship on which I sailed has arrived  
safely overseas.

Signed *John A. Green*  
*Battery B 349<sup>th</sup> F.A.*  
*American Expeditionary*  
*Forces*



SOLDIERS and SAILORS  
MAIL

# Post Card

THE RED  TRIANGLE



Goes Every Step of the Way

At home or overseas it means SOLDIERS  
AND SAILORS ARE WELCOME.

MILITARY  
POST OFFICE  
SOLDIERS MAIL

NO  
POSTAGE  
NECES  
SARY

Name Rev. J. E. Nash D.D.  
Street 64 Walnut  
City Buffalo  
State N. Y.



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ON ACTIVE SERVICE

WITH THE

AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

Supply Co 349, Ft. A. Dept 5 1912

American Expeditionary Forces  
Via New York.

Rev. Dr. J. Edward Nash.

Dear sir this pleases me  
with great pleasure to  
write you a few lines this  
leaves me well and  
during fine I hope when  
these few lines reach you  
It will find you well and  
during fine. I read one of  
your letter that you  
sent to Mr. Jack Green  
and it was none of the  
most finest letter that I  
have ever read it made  
my heart glad to see  
that letter from a man  
like you for that  
worth it weight I would



and the good part is that  
it come from sweet old  
Buffalo. N.Y. I think that  
all off us boys from Buffalo  
ow you a letter sow I am  
starting mine now and  
when we was coming over  
I seen plenty off watter  
and it was a nice long  
ride and we are all  
during fine I am well  
pleas with beain over  
hear we are treated fine  
an this is making real  
men out off us yes we  
are stand to geter as  
men we dont hafter  
want for nothin  
and we are answer  
the call ever day and  
this is a fine place  
over hear and some



day we will have plenty  
 off good thing to tell  
 when we return back  
 home I can not write  
 very much. I have had  
 good health I have not  
 ben sick naire day sence  
 we ben over hear ever thing  
 I's maning a long fine  
 we are trusting in the  
 lord and trying to do  
 our best I have not far  
 got the church at home  
 my best regard to all  
 and I have not far got  
 the folks at home yes  
 keep the home fire burnig  
 stop at 69 Union st.  
 and tell aunt Mary Brown  
 that her son I's during  
 fine and all off the  
 friends and dont



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weary for ever thing  
will be all wright  
My best regard to Mrs. Mary B.  
Talbot, and Rev. A. L. Wilson  
and Mr. H. H. Lewis. and Miss. Catto.  
The Y.M.C.A. are during a great  
work and the Red Cross  
are during fine they are  
gaining the limit all the  
time now. This is  
all for this time  
yours truly  
from one of the  
Soldier boys  
some where in France  
Cook, Johnnie Harding  
Supply Co 349 F.A.  
American Expeditionary  
Forces. Via New York-





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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CAMP uptonny

Aug 28 1918

My Dear

Bro. J. E. Seward Wash  
 I received your sweet and lovely  
 letter it found me well in good  
 health. kept when these get busy  
 Reach you it will find you.  
 Myself feel much better than  
 I did a few days ago I feel if tho  
 I am able to stand. of course it  
 I am a little out of hand  
 When I first heard that they  
 have such good singing  
 unless I forget I am out here  
 But I am getting along very  
 Well you spoke about our  
 pay. We cant see when we  
 going to get a payday but  
 that's all I know by things so  
 Hard you see it is this I am  
 of. hope I have a charge of some  
 men I have to get up an get





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Other will every thing is as  
right if they will let me I will  
Be out to Buffalo ny to see you  
But I don't know when they will  
Let me come I will right to you  
Often I am praying every  
Day of my life going to keep it  
up until I die

As ever  
Yours truly  
Jack Sherman

408-16<sup>th</sup> St. Co. 7 Bn  
Depot Baggage  
Camp Upton  
N.Y.



### Christ in Flanders

'We had forgotten You, or very  
nearly —  
You did not seem to touch us very  
nearly —  
Of course we thought about You now  
and then;  
Especially in any time of trouble —  
We knew that You were good in time  
of trouble —  
But we are very ordinary men.

"And there were always other things  
to think of —  
There's lots of things a man has got to  
think of —  
His work, his home, his pleasure, and  
his wife;  
And so we only thought of You on  
Sunday —  
Sometimes, perhaps, not even on a Sun-  
day —  
Because there's always lots to fill one's  
life.

"And, all the while, in street, or lane,  
or byway —  
In country lane, in city street, or by-  
way —  
You walked among us, and we did not  
see.  
Your feet were bleeding as You walked  
our pavements —  
How did we miss Your footprints on  
our pavements? —  
Can there be other folk as blind as we?

"Now we remember; over here in  
Flanders —  
It isn't strange to think of you in  
Flanders) —  
This hideous warfare seems to make  
things clear.  
We never thought about you much in  
England;  
But now that we are far away from  
England  
We have no doubts, we know that You  
are here.

"You helped us pass the jest along the  
trenches —  
Where, in cold blood, we waited in the  
trenches —  
You touched its ribaldry and made it  
fine.  
You stood beside us in our pain and  
weakness —  
We're glad to think You understand  
our weakness —  
Somehow it seems to help us not to  
whine.

"We think about You kneeling in the  
Garden —  
Ah! God! the agony of that dread  
Garden —  
We know You prayed for us upon the  
Cross.  
If anything could make us glad to bear  
it,  
'Twould be the knowledge that You  
willed to bear it —  
Pain — death — the uttermost of human  
loss.



“Though we forgot You, You will not  
forget us —  
We feel so sure that You will not for-  
get us —  
But stay with us until this dream is  
past.  
And so we ask for courage, strength, and  
pardon —  
Especially, I think, we ask for pardon —  
And that You'll stand beside us to the  
last.”

L. W., in *London Spectator*.



J.N. Adam's Hospital, Ferrysburg N.Y., Main Bldg,

Aug 9, 1920.

My very dear pastor and friend,

Just a week ago found me completing preparations to take up my abode for a while at the also mentioned place. And now I can look back at the intervening days with a spirit of hopefulness which I trust will radiate through the days to come, not to mock me but to bring me health and with it the happiness, I can not but long for.

I am sure Mrs. White must have told you the interesting features of this place as well as given a full description. So while mindful that you must already have a knowledge of the facts and



stairs K. P. and a Louise Jones  
(Church of God people on Clinton)

I spend my time mostly  
reading, writing or crocheting  
and talking

There a Jewish woman out  
here a socialist, quite radical  
so some awful arguments  
go on.

To day for the first time  
during my stay it is raining.

There is nothing here I love  
more than the woods. Having  
confused my name with  
another I've been examined  
so I am allowed out.

I have seen Mrs White but  
once. To me she looks very  
well however rather sun-  
burnt. Well still have me



feeling my own inability to give  
you a comprehensive idea I  
shall simply say it is wonder-  
ful. And while I must admit  
when you first spoke to me of it  
I was incredulous, the results  
these people have already ac-  
complished and now, surely  
is marvelous.

But for the restrictions, it seems  
for all the world like a summer  
resort for indeed no one looks ill.

I would say there are more  
Poles here than any other  
nationality.

At present I am in the Main  
Bldg, the Sun-Cure being filled.  
My room-mate is a Pole, two  
doors from me is Fred Cinstane's  
wife, and a Mrs Shanning  
from "down home," and down-



for company before long.  
How is everybody? Remember  
me kindly to Mrs. Wright,  
Jennie + Henrietta or any  
inquiring friends.

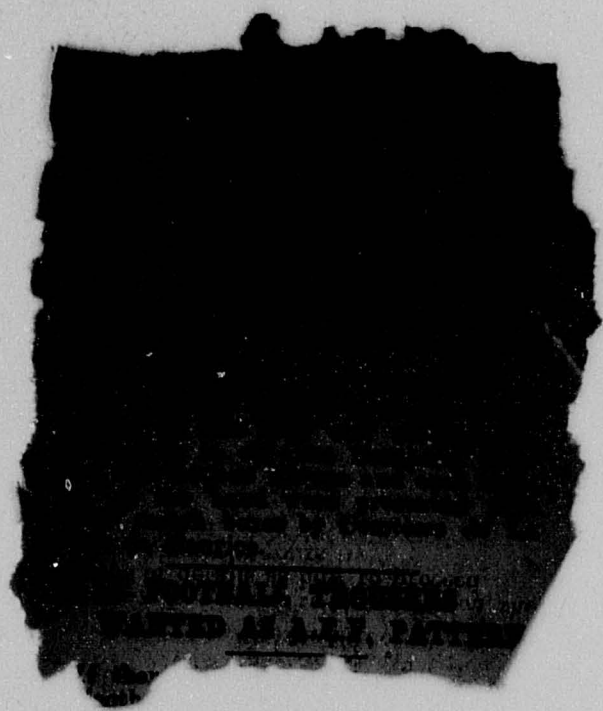
I trust you, yourself are  
feeling the best and en-  
joying good health.

I surely missed services  
yesterday. My thoughts are  
constantly going home and  
to those there I believe sincerely  
interested in me.

When time permits you  
I shall be very glad to hear  
from you.

Sincerely yours  
Frances.







Arthur Cavitt  
Company "A", 811th Pioneer Infantry  
Nantes, France, Dec. 17, 1918.

Reverend:

A few lines from one of your boys who is far away from home but who never will forget all his friends although he never writes to them, I am in the best of health and have been ever since I have been on this side and I wish that you and all the Buffaloiens are enjoying the best of health. I know you still have Christian Culture Congress and I miss it very much.

I am doing clerical work and find it very interesting so if this letter dont read like a personal letter you will understand that I am very busy writing Military correspondence and have got in the habit of wording all my correspondence. I have not seen any actual service on the front but have had some very interesting experience. When I got over why we that is the regiment I came over with did quite a bit of traveling before we arrived at our destination. We were in the line of duty though when we first heard of the armistice.

I have not seen any of the boys from home but have had good news about them especially the Artillery they have earned a very good name for themselves. Of course you know you have to lose something to make a reputation for yourself so lets be thankful for that.

This is a beautiful city I am now in and has some very interesting buildings and museums in it which date from many years ago. The french people all are very kind to us and cheer us every time we make an appearance But it does not equal the cheers we all expect when we get home.

I am expecting to get home soon and probally will have quite a bit to talk about thats if I am able to express myself. I will close these few lines with regards to you and all of your Congregation.

From One Of Your Boys  
Arthur Cavitt