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DIARY 1918 [the year is circled and underlined]

July 1st

Left Spartansburg

S.C. at 3.30 p.m on

sleeping trains.

July 2d

Arrive at Wash.

D.C. 2.00 p.m had

coffee at the Red Cross

passed through North

Carolina and Virginia
Left Washington at 3.00
p.m arrived at Baltimore
at 3.50 p.m. reached
Delaware at 4.25 p.m
arrived at Philadelphia
at 8.45

July 3rd

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Arrived at New York
about 12.30 midnight
came through the
tunnel to Camp
Mills at 4.30 am.
remained at Camp
Mills for 5 days

July 8th

Left Camp Mills at
7.30 a.m. Monday
took train to Long
Island ferry the boat
took us to Hoboken
we boarded the tran-
sport Mt. Vernon

formerly the Kronprinz

Cecilia which was the

fastest transport of

5 which left with us

July 9th

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Ship left pier at

12.45 noon Tuesday

and anchored out-

side of harbor and

waited for the other

transports we left

for Europe at 7.25

p. m.

July 11th

Have been sailing

2 days we had one

stormy day. about

7,000 men on board

July 13th

came across a num-

ber of ships return-

ing quiet a few

men are sea sick

July 15th

A submarine was

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sighted within a
half mile but dis-
appeared at once
at the same time
the transport which
was ...the [?] Amerika
on our opposite side
rammed an oil
tanker which was
sunk.

July 16th

At 7.00 p.m. one of
the transports fired
at boxes in the water
thinking there were
mines hidden.

July 17th

Two of our convoy
of destroyers left

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us being with us
only 2 days later
8 torpedoe boats
convoyed [?] us the
balance of the trip

July 18th

Arrived in the har
bor of Brest, France
at 3.00 p.m which
was quiet a sight
We left the ship
at 8.00 p.m on ferry
boats to shore from
there we had to walk
4 miles to a field
and pitch shelter
tents it rained all
night so it was
not very pleasant

July 20th

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Worked all night
unloading ships
at the dock.

July 23d

Had a bath the
first since we left
had to walk a few
miles to get it.

July 24th

Broke camp at
8.00 a.m. and walk-
ed to the train which
was 4 miles we left
Brest at 11 a.m in
cattle cars which
hold 40 men apiece

July 25th

Went through
Paris and stopped

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at the station
about an hour
Brest is a day
and a half from
here.

July. 26th

we arrived at a
French town called
Nantuel Saacy
after walking a
quarter of a mile
and pitched tents

July 27th

We took a bath in
the Marne River
which we all heard
about home we can
see the flashes and
hear the guns all
day

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July 28th

We received our
gas masks to day

July 29th

Had gas mask
training to day.

July 30th

A german airplane
bombed our camps
and got away no
one was hurt.

July 31st

We turned in our
barracks bags to
day. We are now
15 kilos from the
front known as
the Marne sector.

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Aug. 1st

Have been sleeping
in shelter tents
since July 19th
that is on the ground
now situated in
Nantuel Saacy.

Aug. 2d

Part of our company
has moved with-
in 5 miles of the
front.

Aug. 3rd

Broke camp at 8.15
a.m. slept over night
on floor of barn in
the town of Azy
passed through
Chateau Thiery

Aug. 4th

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Started again at
7.00 a.m hiked
until 1 p.m and

had dinner which
was very little con-
tinued at 2.00 p.m.
and walked until
6.00 p.m. passing
through towns which
were completely
blown off the ground
from the shelling
saw hundreds of
german dead we
camped in our tents
on a battlefield the
germans left a few
days ago.

Aug. 5th

Broke camp again
and continued hik
ing until 6 m. p. m

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passed through
some wreacked vil-
lages slept in our
tents again but
were kept awake

by the cannons
all night long
have been hiking
3 days.

Aug. 6th

We were detailed
to bury the dead
soldier germans
and Americans the
germans have been
here a few days
ago we are now
situated in Ciergies

Aug. 7th

Still hunting for
dead soldiers some
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awful scenes here
of the battle we are
also repairing road
to-day.

Aug. 8th

We moved to-day
out of tents into
shell torn houses
we had to sleep
on the stone floor
16 men to a room
this place is in dan-
ger of being bombed
any moment we are
quiet close to the
front.

Aug. 9th

We had an air-
raid to-day saw
the airplanes batt-

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ling in the sky
some sight.

Aug. 10th

There was a gas
alarm at 10 p.m.
had to wear our

gas masks some
time.

Aug. 12th

Terrible air raid
on our town by 6
german bombing
planes bombs burst
all around us gas
bombs thrown at
the same time could
not sleep all night
the raid was at
11:30 p.m.

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Aug. 15th

Still repairing
roads near the
front.

Aug. 16th

We had another
air raid at night
and gas attack

still located in
Ciergies.

Aug. 24th

Our company has
also been on guard
at an ammunition
dump 4 hour
shifts the germans
have been trying
to bomb this place
several times.

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Sept. 5th

Broke camp again
hiked 8 miles
camped in the
woods overnight.

Sept. 6th

Left at 2.00 p.m
and hiked until
9.00 p.m. 18 miles
and slept in the

open field in the
rain we were on
the lines under
continuous shell
fire. We were forc-
ed to move into
dugouts the bal-
ance [?] of the night
shells were bursting
all around us we
were also gassed

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Sept. 7th

We worked up
on the lines and
were shelled all
the time at night
we were bombed
by airplanes, gas
and shells all
night we slept in
dugouts a bomb
struck within 50
feet of us and
scattered schrapnel
all over our dug
outs the town is

called Frsines on
the Vesle River.

Sept. 8th

Arrived at 8.00 a.m

back 18 miles to a

town called

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Sept. 11th

Moved again at

12 p.m. hiked 12

kilos to train and

road a day and a

half in freight

trains left train

and hiked 5 kilos

and camped in

the woods which

was very muddy

we are now in the

Verdun sector.

Sept. 13th

Left camp at 9.30
p.m. and hiked
5 kilos towards
front town we left
called Souilly en-

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camped at French
barracks which we
reached at 11 p.m
at night.

Sept. 16-17

Our company has
been on guard at
a rail head near
Souhesme La Grande
near Verdun.

Sept. 22d

Orders to move at
midnight hiked
5 miles closer to
front in pouring
rain and pitched

tents in the hills
which was a river
of mud near town
of Rampont

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Sept. 24th

Left Rampont at
7.30 p.m. walked
6 miles and camp-
ed in the woods
it has been rain
ing for 2 days
terribly muddy.

Sept. 25th

Broke camp again
and hiked 5 kilos
and camped in
the woods 2 days
the evening of the
second day the 72
hour barrage start
ed the guns were
behind us and in
front of us we

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are now in the
largest drive ever
attempted in the
Champeign and
Argonne.

Sept. 27th

Broke camp at 4.30
a.m. and hiked
12 miles to the
front the drive has
just begun we are
now on the line
and under contin-
uous shell fire we
passed hundreds
of guns firing on
the road up the
wounded were now
coming in and
also hundreds of
german prisoners

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Sept. 28-29.-30

Now on the lines
under fire all the
time now near
Malancourt

Oct. 1-2-3-4

Still in the drive
have been here 10
days under con-
tinuous shell fire
and gas.

Oct. 6-7-8

Still on the line
had many narrow
escapes being shot
by shell fire now
in Bethencourt.

Oct. 15-16-17

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Repairing roads
to day which are

in terrible condition
it has been raining
for 7 days.

Oct. 19 to 30

Still plugging
along have taken
7,000 prisoners
up-to-date we
are now located
in Sept Sarges.

Nov. 1 to 8

Armistice signed
many happy hearts
in our company
every one seems to
take life anew
now near Sedan

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Nov. 17th

We as picked
troops were ordered
to march into

Germany as the
first army of
occupation to day
we covered 18 miles
and entered the
first French town
the germans ev-
actuuated after the
armistice was
signed which was
decorated with french
and Americans flags
We are about to
hike 150 miles to
the Rhine now
located in Marville [?]

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Nov. 8-10

Passed through
Dun [?], Brandeville
we slep in ger
man barracks in
part of the Argonne
forests.

Nov. 21st

President of France
Poncaire and General
Foch's aid visit the
city of Marville [?] to
pay his respects
to the french people
liberated a few days
ago we had quiet
a time still in
Marville.

Nov. 23rd

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Started on the sec-
ond period of our
hike to the Rhine
8.45 a.m. passed
through Longuyon
this part of France
is beautifully sit
uated around 13 kilos
and entered Belgium
at 2.00 p.m. we
also are a short
distance from
Luxembourg. We

are now in Athus,
Belgium.

Nov. 25th

We are now guard
ing ammunition
dumps in Athus,
Belgium. Have been
treated fine here

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Nov. 26th

Still on guard I
visited Luxembourg
to-day which is a
neutral country
and is near the
french and Belgian
frontiers.

Nov. 28th

Being thanksgiving
we were invited to
attend a ball given
to the American

Soldiers we met
some very pretty
Belgian girls at
the ball.

Nov. 29th

Left Athus, Belgium

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at 8.00 a.m. hiked

15 kilos through

Luxembourg on

our way to the

Rhine, located in

Dippach, Lux.

Nov. 30th

Continued on our

hike left Dippach

at 8.30 passed

through Mamer at 12.30

hiked 25 kilos pass-

ed through the city

of Luxembourg we

are now located in

the city of ...torf [?],

Lux.

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Dec. 1st

Continued on our
hike to the Rhine
left ...torf [?] at 800
a.m. covered 30
kilos we are now
about 15 kilos from
the german frontier
have been on the
hike continually
5 days now loc-
ated in Consdorf,
Lux.

Dec. 2d.

Left Consdorf at
8.00 a.m. hiked
25 kilos passed the
german frontier at
11 a.m. now in
Holsthum, Germany

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Dec. 3rd

Left Holsthum at
7.00 a.m. hiked 35
kilos this being the
6th day we have
been on the go now
located in Preist
Germany.

Dec. 4th

We were given a
rest to-day. Have
been treated splen-
didly by the germans
We still have about
50 kilos to travel
our destination
being Coblenz on the
Rhine.

Dec. 5th

Left Preist at 7.30

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a.m. hiked 12
kilos now located
in Spang.

Dec. 6th

Left Spang at 7.30
a.m. hiked 15 kilos
now located in
Bleckenhausen.

Dec. 7th

Left Bleckehnhhausen
at 7.00 a.m. hiked
18 kilos now located
in Putzboun, Germany
we have still 40
kilos to cover to the
Rhine.

Dec. 8th

Left Putzboun 7.00

a.m. hiked 25

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kilos now situated

in Bettledorf.

Dec. 10th

Left Bettledorf at
11.30 a.m. hiked 20
kilos now in Daun

Dec. 11th

Left Daun at 8.00
a.m. hiked 20 kilos
now located in
Alflan.

Dec. 12th

Left Alflan at 8.00
a.m. hiked 13 kilos
now located in
Kaiserserch.

Dec. 13th

Left Kaiserserch
at 7.00 a.m. hiked

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21 kilos in the rain
now located in
Ochtendung we are
now about 17 kilos
from the Rhine.

Dec. 14th

Left Ochtendung
at 9.00 a.m hiked
25 kilos passed
over the Moselle
River at 1 p.m.
crossed the Rhine
at 2 p.m now loc-
ated in Vallendar
we are now 5 kilos
on the east side of
the Rhine we have
hiked 18 days

Dec. 16th

We are now
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doing patrol duty
in the city of

Vallendar on the
Rhine.

Dec. 19th

Left Vallendar at
10 a.m. hiked 8
kilos now located
in Simmern we
are now about 10
kilos on the opposite
side of the Rhine

Mar 21st

Left Simmern at
9.00 a.m hiked 10
kilos to Kaltin Engers.

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Left Kaltin Engers
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hiked 8 kilos to
Vallandar.

May 23

Left Vallandar at

6 a.m. hiked 8
kilos to Enger
left Engers at 930
passed through
Alsace Lorraine

May 25th

Left train at Noyen
hiked 14 kilos to
St. Christophe

June 9th

Left St. Christophe
12 hiked 14 kilo
to Noyen stayed
there 24 hours

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June 10th

Left Noyen 6.30
p.m. rode all
night stopped at
Clisson.

June 18

Left Clisson 10 a.m.

arrived at St. Nazar

4 p.m.

June 26th

Left St. Nazaire at

7.30 p.m. hiked 3

miles to ship Left

France at 12

midnight On

board transport

Ancor. [?]

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July 7th

Arrived at Newport

News. hiked 2 mile

to Camp Stuart

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Hazard KY

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Jackson

Jacksfort

Tenn

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Comfrt [?]

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...tract [?] R B.

U.S.a.

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Hug... [?] Smith

1068 McClain [?] Memphis. Tn.

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Earl. sams. morning sun - iowa

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Simon Flinn. Pickett KY.

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Luther Rouse [?]. [illegible strikethrough]

Tompkinsville KY.

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Wilks, Jahtes [?] akersville [?] KY

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Logan wallin g... [?].

Sardis KY

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Able Parks [?] 332 Barnette st

Atlanta. Ga

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Julians Silverman

124. 112. St. N.Y. City

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Walter Sanders. Atall [?]. Fl [?]

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Taylor Napier Chavis. KY

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Ellis Morris. Bod... [?] KY

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Lewis Clark Glenside [one word illegible]

Scotch Plain. NJ

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Lewis Adam. R B... [?]

Kuttawa. KY

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K. M. Slatt. Crossvile. Ala.

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Granvill [?]. Loffman [?]

Ellisburg. KY

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Sam Boyd.

Front Royal va

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Forest Floyd [?]

Mc... [?] KY –

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Ellie [?]. Keys – akersville KY

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Elijah Gibbons Cabot... [?] KY

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august halsher. Falouth KY

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Rallin [?] P. Black. Rallingburg [?] KY

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D. F. Guier. Farmington KY

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Lee [?] Boterman [?]. Glendale KY.

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Earl. Pasher [?] Salem KY

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Everett Talbett [?] – Kilgore KY

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Charles Box Eddysville KY

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Frank Greenhalgh

mascotte. Flo.

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Carl Hartwill

Cristwell [?] NY

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Robert E. Lee

Elizabethtown KY

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