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YMCA

3/10/18

Dearest friend :-

Sunday and so I find a little time to write. Have been working a great part of the day in getting my lessons and instructions to date. We are sure busy as —

Raining here at the present moment and as I wander back to old Ind. in my thoughts I wonder what it may be doing there. I wonder if Luther and his friend are visiting you, I wonder how we are feeling and dozens of other things I wonder about. And how be U? Better I hope! Well I am O. K. and going from 5 A.M. until 9 P.M. My first is a good cold shower bath as soon as I crawl out of bed. I was the first to start in in my company, now I have three other followers. We arise before bugle call go to the washing room and turn one of the showers on at full force and step under and stay under

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until the water feels war. Believe me their water here is d- cold when you turn it loose on the naked skin, but you soon get use to that and enjoy it. It is a great appetizer and makes you feel like a new man after dressing. Then comes Roll call, Calesthenics, Breakfast Drill, school, dinner, study, drill, school, retreat, supper and after supper study our lessons. Now dont you think that enough for every day. Sunday takes out of this program our drill and school hours.

You spoke of books to read, perhaps I never told U but Camp Johnston has a Public Library. It is a mansion in itself and filled with any book that any man would wish to read. This Library would be a wonderful place to spend our lonesome hours if we had any, but as we are continually busy, very few hours are spent in the Library. They are constructing a monster "Liberty Theater" in Camp and when finished will hold or accomodate at least 8,000 persons.

entertainment and shows will be given. Admission is charged and the proceeds above the actual expense of running it goes to the purpose of carrying on the war.

L. G. was here and has just left. Seems C. K. Bryant is sleeping now on my cot. I think the rain is a real lullaby to him.

Received Jim's letter, would answer by letter by impossible just today. Duty and obedience is the first and last task of a soldier so we do as we can, not as we wish to do. Have enclosing a card in answer to her letter.

Hoping that this finds you better, I am.

Yours of the Sunny South.

Wes

Quick just as many as you please. No time now to attend French classes. How is Datta? Tell her I am still alive and still believe the Germans are as Hellish as ever. Ha! Take care of yourself as I do (if possible)

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