

ON ACTIVE SERVICE

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Oct. 24th 1918

On Some Front in  
France.

Dear Father and Sisters;-  
This is one very dark  
nite and more especially  
when you take a little  
stroll after 8: P.M. thru  
this Forest.

For two days it has  
not rained but, is sprink-  
ling lightly now. The past  
two day have been like  
Indian Summer.

I have not seen any  
of the home boys for a  
week now, + as they are  
back in the rear for  
rest but, can say for my  
self that I am feeling  
fine and in want of

nothing. Believe me, U. Sam gives the boys at the Front the first choice of every thing that is issued. In the line of tobacco we get Bull Durham, Star, and Best Jack; and in clothing the best of wool in underwear, socks, shirts and gloves.

We now have a second-cook in the O. M. kitchen from N.C., a former Armour Packing Co. salesman. He undoubtedly is related to Will Segebart for actions and resemblance you would think him a brother to Old Bill. And for a lively time we sure have been having it, to-day I have laughed so much I fairly ache. The other two of our force are fine fellows, one a drug clerk from Topeka and the other a dry goods salesman from Texas. Quite a combination for an O. M. crew but are serving the good eats and having a pleasant time with it. Our old chef from N.C. transferred to our Regt. Band a short time ago.

The day has passed without much activity on this sector of the Verdun Front and only a few big cannon can be heard to-nite in the far distance.

The Kaiser and Prince Max of Baden don't create much excitement with their peace dope

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among the R. E. F. But beyond the chance of a doubt it will be "Over" by Christmas if the R. E. F. does not fall short.

I wrote J. W. A. a few lines last night, must ans. Aunt Nan's letter sometime. She says she has never received a letter nor post card from across the "Ford" yet.

Tell P. A. Come that I would like to attend Lodge some Monday eve.

I have many Masonic friends with the R. E. F. All the way from the 3rd to the 32<sup>d</sup>.