

Army and Navy  
Young Men's Christian Association  
"With the Colors"

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Dear Sister & all.

Well I will write a few lines to let you know that I am still alive, but no longer at Camp Grant but way down in Kansas. We came here last Wednesday got here about 5:30 p.m. Country is very rolling just one hill after another but they are not very high not as high as up your way. We have to go about two miles to the drill field so we get plenty of walking. Next week we will go out to the rifle range which is about seven or eight miles from camp. This is a very windy country. The first day we were here we very near blew away could not see anything but dirt. The days are very warm but gets cool at night. Every thing is looking fine.

We came through Ill., Iowa, Mo. and into Kansas. We are about one hundred and fourty miles west of Kansas City. I like the country out here better that at Rockford, feel more at home. We are drilling pretty hard now days with the rifle. All I have to do is go out the back door and cross the street and I am at the Y.M.C.A. They have Church there Thursdays & Sundays. Moving pictures three times a week every thing is free. Well I have gained about ten pounds since I came to camp. Any body that tells you that the boys don't get enough to eat and good food and good clothes, tell them they don't know what they're talking about. I never went away hungry as long as I have been in camp. Have had nothing but the best meat and good white bread. Have got two suits of clothes three suits of wool under wair, two summer suits, two pair of shoes, overcoat, rain coat and will have some more things in a day or so, but I have all I want to carry on my back already. The ones that are always finding fault are the ones hat never had anything at home. You know some people would kick if they went to heaven because their harp was not tuned right.

I am sending you a picture that I had taken while I was in Rockford. The other boy is my chum. He is from Viroqua. He is down here. I am in Co. B, he is in Co. C. Well I will have to ring off as I have a couple more letters to write.

Your brother  
Herbert.

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