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ON ACTIVE SERVICE  
WITH THE  
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

January 5 1919

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I had a letter from Arthur saying that he had arrived safely in New York. He was pretty lucky to get back home <sup>so</sup> soon.

I suppose that the weather is pretty cold in the States now. It is not so very cold here but we are pretty lucky if we get one day in a month that it does not rain. I think I had better close now and I hope that you are well.

Sincerely  
Cpl. Alfred E. Goodhind  
Btry C 320 Ft  
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[Alfred did return safely from the war.]