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Dear Aunt Mealy

Tonight I will write
you a few lines.
The last month or so
I have not written any
body hardly but the folks
at home. I rec your
good letter some time
ago Aunt Mealy and
was very glad to hear
from you. It is rain-
ing out tonight but the
weather is just like
spring. I expect you
are still having cold
weather in Canada.
There is much going on
here to speak of. They are

issuing passes to the
men now to visit France.
A few are given to England
Italy etc but that number
is very small probably 2
or 3 from the Brigade. I
should like to go to England
but will not have time now.
Our Div. sails in April
for home and you can
believe me that sounds
good to me. Gen Pershies
will Review us soon, then
I think we leave.

Willie will probably remain
over here for some time, for
his outfit is not on the
list to leave in April May
or June. He is about 50 mi
from shore, in a small
town along the Rhine. I
intend to see him before we

have. This town we are
in now is about 14 mi
from the Rhine right
among the hills. It has
a population of about
1000. One railroad passes
through. The River Rhine
winds around through
the valley and flows by
the town on the course to
the Rhine. The people are
pretty poor, I don't know
how they make a living
except they farm the land
on the hillside during the
summer. They treat us
real well, are very polite
and accommodating.
They seem to have plenty to
eat & wear, so from what
I see that is about all they
care for. Mama has not had

so well from what she
writes. Well aunt nearly this
has been quite an experience
for me and enough for a
while. I should like to
see you again some day
and we can have a great
time talking it over. I hope
your crop does not fail
you this year, it is too bad
to put in so much work
on the farm and reap nothing.
Give my regards to Uncle
Robert and the children.
Hoping you good health
with abundant success.

I remain sincerely
Your Nephew
John.

write soon.