

“Somewhere Over There.”

The following letter was received by Mrs McKinley Steadham:

My dearest wife,

Will answer you letter just received a moment ago; was sure glad to hear from you again and to hear you and dear little Cecil were well and getting alright. This leaves me well and getting along just fine and my cold is lots better. I do hope this will find you all and everybody else back there real well and enjoying the very best of life.

Well guess you went to the Communion at Elk Creek yesterday and today I sure would have liked to have been there I know you all had fine preaching and lots of rations. I went to preaching today, we have American chaprons here that preaches every Sunday but I can't tell what denomination they belong to but still I enjoy hearing them. Yes, I have the same captain I had at Camp Senier and I am sure glad of it for I think lots of him and all my officers. The Alleghany boys are all well so far as I know, I want you to send me one of yours and the baby's pictures in next letter; probably I will get some made before a great while and send you all some. Well I will close for this time hoping it will be the good Lord's will for me to be back with you by this time next year and probably sooner. With love to all, answer real soon, I am your loving husband.

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