

HEADQUARTERS
113th Field Artillery

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1. In taking leave of the officers and men of the Regiment upon its muster out of the service I desire to express to them personally and individually my deep and heartfelt appreciation of their work as soldiers and their conduct as gentlemen. During the period of training at Camp Devier and later at Camp Coetgaidan, through the battles and engagements in the Toul sector, at St. Mihiel, in the Argonne Forest and at the Meuse, after the Armistice through Northern France and Luxembourg and finally at the various camps preparing for return to the States and demobilization, - you have at all times rendered the government its due and been true to the tradition of your forefathers. No finer set of men or truer or braver soldiers have ever fought for their homes and country. The record of your achievements and your valor will live in the hearts of men and be engraved on the tablets of time. Your future life will be enriched by memories of duties well performed on the battle fields of France. May a pleasant moment will be spent in recalling to mind the part you performed on the fronts of both the First and Second American Armies, and your sojourn among the Luxembourgese while with the Army of Occupation.

Most of you are young men, many of you came into the service as boys, but all go out as men, full formed and equipped to do a man's part in whatever may be your task. There is work for you to do; much work of varied kinds; work to the performance of which you will bring many valuable ideas obtained during your service as soldiers. No State or Nation can be greater than the individual citizens that compose it, hence it behoves us all to carry into every undertaking, - be it social, industrial or governmental, - the full power of earnest effort. Be leaders in all movements which are inaugurated for the best interest of our country. You have courage, energy and self confidence. Don't permit doubt, timidity or discouragement ever to have a part in your makeup. Keep your head up and your back straight and smash into the problems of civil life in the same spirit you stormed the strongholds of the Kaiser's hosts.

Nothing can ever take the place of the pride I shall always feel in having had an opportunity of commanding such a body of men. Words cannot express my gratitude to the officers and men for their cheerful cooperation and absolute loyalty. I hope that each of you feel that in me he has a friend and that you will never fail to afford me the opportunity of demonstrating the friendship I have for you.

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(Signed) Albert L. Cox,
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to each unit at its last assembly.