

ccc Diary
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Notes

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FIVE CENTS

Co. 1268

Highbridge N.J.

State Park No. 5

December 28 - 35
Saturday.

Worked today because it rained Tuesday. Had a talk with Pop today about my marks. He didn't know I meant unreliable. Expect an improvement from now on.

What's news we got tonight. We're going back east on the tenth. The willie is staying. He's being sent to Albany. That's a tough break.

December - 29 - 35

Sunday

After breakfast went back to bed till noon time.

Wrote some letters after lunch and did some reading.

All you can hear around camp is "going back east". Everyone feels good except the ones who are staying here.

Walked to Clarkia after supper for some stamps. Made me a spot of tea this afternoon.

December - 30 - 35

Monday

snow

It rained and snowed today but we went to work — some of the fellows signed out for New Year so they wouldn't have to work, but they were caught at lunch hours and fined a dollar.

Dropped a tamarack that was 200 ft high. saw a flying squirrel today. It sailed thru the air about fifty yards.

walked to Clarkia after snow.

skin tag

December - 31 - 55

Tuesday - snow

It was snowing so we didn't go to work. Sat around reading and writing.

Went to a New Years Eve Dance at Clarkie's when I got there was drafted into playing the drums for the orchestra. Got a dollar out of it. Danced with a small blond (Vera Webb). Got into camp around 3:30 A.M.

I grabbed some oneside's pocket in the dance hall. Found a whole pack of Chesterfields on the first floor. I gave them to the boys.

January - 1 - 1936

Wednesday snow
New Years Day

After breakfast I went back to bed and slept till dinner time.

Got paid after lunch. Collected \$17.80

Did some reading, writing and sleeping. Got out annuals.

Took a shower and turned on.

January 2-36
Thursday now

It was a terrible day today. Rain, snow, sleet, etc., but they sent us out to work. Boy did we get soaked. We even went back to work after lunch - but they sent out for us to ~~and~~ come in - I don't know what evens made them think of it.

Did some washing before chow.

Just hung around the barracks all evening. - made the "skin" last today. Dirty floor even tho' I had mopped it.

January 3-36
Friday

Came in to camp for lunch today. No more eating on the job. Made the "skin" last again. It's getting to be a habit. That makes four times this week my place is much better than a lot of others, but he insists on picking me for some reason. I'll probably have to work Sunday.

January - 4 - 36
Saturday snow

It snowed hard but we went out to work to make up a half day. We shovelled snow around camp.

Slept all afternoon. Lay around the barrack all evening chewing the fat about foremen, personal records, etc., Woods got locked inside of his locker.

January - 5 - 36
Sunday

Did some reading and sleeping.

Took a walk with Roger in the afternoon.

Did some lettering on my foot locker.

January - 6 - 36
Monday

Had a tough time plowing thru the snow on the job today. It was up to over waist in some spots. The best way to travel is on your hands and knees. The crust holds you up then.

The fellows left for Avery tonight. Said good bye to little Willie. It sure was tough. I may see him at Camp Dix when we check out in March. Uncle Ab, Bob and I are the only ones left of our gang now.

January - 7 - 36
Tuesday morn

It snowed off and on most of the day. At night went up to see Pop about my record again. All the foreman thought F was satisfactory but Sandy has it otherwise. ~~as~~ A lot of records will have to be changed.

January 8 - 36
Wednesday snow

Dropped a couple of
big ones today. There
was quite a wind
blowing which made
it a ticklish job on
the big ones — The
snow was up to our
waists in most places
today. It sure was cold
working in that.

Packed a lot of my
things ~~tonight~~ tonight.
Only a half day
tomorrow

January 9 - 36
Thursday snow

It was snowing again.
We didn't mind because
it was our last time out
to work.

After show turned in
most of our clothes.
Our barrack had to
stand inspection three
times this afternoon.

Took a shower and
washed some clothes.
Finished packing.

Gabbled around
with Mac for a few
hrs.

January - 10 - 36

Friday snow

Turned in bedding after
show - Clean up barrack
and then loaded baggage.

Left for St. Maries at 1:00
The train pulled out at
5:00 P.M. - McCue, Uncle Ab
and I share the same
compartment. - Uncle Ab
smuggled Cleo aboard
she stays in the baggage
car.

Passing thru some
towns we saw snow
six and eight feet deep.
Went to sleep in Montana

January - 11 - 36

Saturday snow

still in Montana.

Stopped at Harlowton
and Miles City - Passed
the troop train with
the bunch going in to
our old camp.

Entered Marmath, N.
Dakota around 3:00 P.M.

Crossed the line into S.
Dakota after supper.

Went up ahead and fed
Cleo. Stopped at Mo.

bridge for 20 minutes.

Bought out the
cafeteria.

January 12-36
Sunday

Pulled into Minneapolis,
Minn. at 7:00 A.M. Stopped
over for an hour.

Now passing thru Iowa.
Spent an hour chumming
with the heating engineer.

5:00 P.M. Stopped in
Waterloo Iowa. Mailed
cards to Gennie and Frank.

8:30 P.M. Dubuque Iowa.

9:00 P.M. Crossed the
Mississippi into Illinois.

January 13-36
Monday

Entered Lima, Ohio
after breakfast.

Canton after lunch.
4:00 P.M. Passing along
the Ohio river in
Pennsylvania.

4:30 P.M. In Pittsburg.
7:15 ... Altoona

Keeper working there
The cars discovered the
coupling had come loose
between our car and
the one behind. They
had to stop the train
and fix it. One of the
nigro porters said
he was scared.

January 14-36
Tuesday

6:00 A.M. Pulling into Dix.
Fourteen troop trains coming
in today. Hocked for unloading
baggage. Marched
into camp for chow. Quite
a difference from the last
time I walked that road.
Same old Camp Dix chow.
All new York fellows went
to N.Y. Roberts, Mullins,
Woods, etc., - quite a
lot of our fellows are
still together. Going to
Highbridge, N.Y. - Had a 53
mile ride in open trucks.
Was it cold. Pulled into
camp 9:00 P.M.

January 15-36
Wednesday.

The camp isn't so bad.
The inmates are a bunch
of goons. They got bed and
then threw their shot at
the lights to put them out.

Spent the morning
dodging work. In the
afternoon got hooked for
K.P. with Nash and
Frelach. What a pot.
~~other~~. Peled dishes and
scrapped grease off the
stove and polished them.
Didnt finish till 8:15 P.M.

The Co. no. is 1268.
Camp Voorhees - State
Park.

January - 16 - 36
Thursday.

went out to work today
Digging up a road with
a pick - we have no
clothing yet.

went to town at
night to inquire about
trains home - Then
went to a show -

No train till 8:10 P.M.
so am going to hitch
like home

January - 17 - 36

Friday
we are getting the
afternoon off to go

home - Got the
road at 2:00 P.M. Got
a lift in an army truck
as far as Clinton. Got a
lift to New Brunswick
in a coal truck and
from there onto South
River. Walked from
South River to South
Amboy and got the
bus in - It sure
was great to get
home again after
nine months

January 18-36
Saturday

Went over to see
Aunt Allie and Grandpa
Wendy. Rode around
in the afternoon with
Uncle Henry and saw
Mable and Howard.
Also saw Hudson
and the Grahams.

In the Evening went
around to see Ray
and later the Botters.

It feels like a
million dollars
being home.

January 19-36
Sunday

Sick
Bronchial
Pneumonia

Jan-20-36
Monday

Sick

Jan-21-36
Tuesday

Sick

Jan - 22 - 36
Wednesday

Sick

Jan - 23 - 36
Thursday

Sick

Jan - 24 - 36
Tuesday

Quarters

Jan - 25 - 36
Saturday

Quarters

Jan-26-36
Sunday

Quarters

Jan-27-36
Monday

Quarters

Jan. 28 - 36
Tuesday

January

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Wednesday

January

Jan - 30 - 36
Thursday

Practices

Jan - 31 - 36
Friday
Return to
camp.

Pulled into camp about
3:00 P.M. Took an awful
culling down from the
C.O. for no reason at
all. He was going to fine
me \$5.00 but after he
cooled down he let me
go because I brought a
Lois note.

Went to the show at
night