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YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
"WITH THE COLORS"



France, Oct. 21 - 1918

My Dear Stella:

It has been a long long time since I have heard from you and I don't know what to think about it. I have only got one letter from you since last June. I have had two or three letters from Lillie and was sure glad to get them but still that is not like hearing from you. I have been writing you about ever two weeks for I will remind what I promised you the last evening we were together. Dear you don't know how I would like to be with you some of these Sundays especially when I don't have to work on Sunday. I haven't been to Church for some time for we haven't had

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any chance but I think I will
get to go next Sunday if we
are not some place else. I have
been continually moving since we
have been over here and getting
use to it now and want to be on
the go all the time. There is some
mighty pretty country here in Hawaii
but the beauty is all in the way
the people have there places laid
off. It is very interesting to go
through the towns and see the way
the people live nothing like we do
at home. I had my first fried
chicken the other night for supper
that I have had since over here.
There was about twenty of us got
five chickens fried them and had
French fried potatoes, bread, butter
and coffee for supper. I wish
you could see me dressed up in

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My winter cloathes you wouldn't
think that I would get cold this
winter. I ought to have had the
that Sunday I went out home last
winter and then I wouldn't have
told whether the wind was blowing
or not. Uncle Sam sure is treating
us boys good for cloathes and food.
I was rather surprised to hear that
you were going to teach again this
fall hope that the kids are not as
bad as I use to be when I went to
school yet well it is getting almost
supper time so will close for this
time. I just received a letter from
mother and am very sorry to
hear that your mother is
dead. I know that a death makes
a big change in a persons home.
That is the only thing that brings
me is that the folks at home are

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getting very old and I don't know
what might happen any day.

I am well and feeling fine hoping
that this finds you the same.

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