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**Allan Boyce Adams, F.A. U.S.R. 149th Regiment A.E.F., To Mrs. Joel Randolph Adams, Claremont, Mississippi. July 10, 1918.**

Allan Boyce Adams

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Lt. Allan B. Adams  
129th U.S. Fa.



Mrs. J. R. Adams

Claremont,

Mississippi

Allan B. Adams  
129th U.S. Fa.

149<sup>TH</sup> FIELD ARTILLERY

U. S. A.

July, 10<sup>th</sup> 18.

My dearest Mother,

Just a note to-  
night to tell you  
that I am all O.K.  
in my little pup  
tent. Believe me, it  
comes in fine, as  
we are having a  
nice hard rain but

my little tent does not  
bark. At night we can  
have no lights but  
my tent is covered  
so that I can light  
a candle and figure  
all the sondages that  
come in. That is every  
four hours day and  
night I correct the data  
of my platoon for the

different weather conditions. We are out in the open with a little flat top made out of tennis netting and cut burlap bags but I have had the men to dig little trenches so we now have a reasonable amount of protection. Another big drive is expected and

we are laying still until it begins. We have a good cook now and have been eating corn fritters and cakes. He is a frenchman by birth but has lived in Chicago since he was twelve years old. Before that he lived

in Paris so he is  
an extra fine cook.

This country is very  
flat and there are no  
crops except grassy  
meadows. The soil is  
chalky, like lime and white.  
Another one of my friends  
left yesterday for the  
states to become a  
captain in the <sup>training of</sup> next  
drafted army. But I

would much rather be  
a first lieutenant on  
the front than to be  
a Captain in the states.  
Then it is always possible  
to be changed into some  
of the outfits just  
coming across and  
train them over here.  
Later on I think it  
would be fine to get

into the National Army but  
the experience here is too  
valuable to be lost by going  
back to the States.

I will close for this  
time. Much love to all of  
the family.

Your devoted son  
Allan B. Bayne  
1st Lt 149th US Ia.  
American C. I.