Parkersburg, West Va.
Oct. 12, 1919

Mrs. W. R. Jackson
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Birmingham, Ala.

My dear Mrs. Jackson,

I hardly know how to express my sorrow in not answering your kind letter sooner than I have. It would have been answered long ago had it not been for my carelessness in putting the letter where it could not be found. I happened to run across it today and am only too glad to answer it right away for I am sure you will be glad to hear from one of Curry's friends. I believe in the last

letter I wrote to you that I spoke of most everything that happened overseas. Our company stayed together up until Nov. 7, 1918. On that date most of the 38th Division was divided up and assigned to other divisions that needed replacements. Most of the 150th Infantry was assigned to the 78th Division which had just returned from the lines and would not go back into action for a period of from four to six weeks. Two days later on Nov. 9, 1918 the armistice was signed and as far as I know there was but one boy that went across with our company that did not return. He was a

little fellow by the name of Axel Abrahamson and died of pneumonia on the ship while going overseas. The total number that died on the ship was about fifty-two and all were buried at sea except a few.

The company I was in was discharged on May 29 th and my opinion is that all the boys that were in the old company are now home.

The following are the names of the officers you ask for:

Colonel Erskine B. Bassett
Lt. Colonel Jackson Arnold
Major James A. Watson
Capt. Charles H. Bell
1st Lt. Harry C. Casper
1st Lt. Richard E. Carskadon
2nd Lt. Raymond A. Miller
2nd Lt. Shelby Perry
1st Sgt. William M. Day

as to Curry's death Mrs. Jackson, I can only tell you the same as it was told to me by one of the boys who saw it. Curry was working on one of his mules and was standing behind the mule when he was kicked. Some of the boys who were working at the corral heard his cries for help and immediately went to his assistance. An ambulance was sent for which immediately took him to the Base Hospital. You may rest assured that Curry was not struck in the head with an axe for there was no one near at the time the accident happened. Furthermore Curry was a favorite among the boys in

the company and was also liked by his officers.

Am enclosing the "tribute to Curry" which you wrote in memory of him. It is really a wonderful poem and I have kept a copy of it to remember Curry by. I had only known Curry since I enlisted in the army but after he parted from us it seemed as though he had been a life time friend.

I also happend to remember tonight that on account of my transportation being mixed up, I was forced to borrow $7.70 from your son Robert so that I might return to Camp Shelby. Am enclosing a money order for this amount payable to your

sow and beg to be forgiven for having him wait so long. I really had forgotten it and just thought of it tonight as I sat thinking of my trip to Birmingham.

I promise you that if by any chance whatever I should be passing through Birmingham, I shall feel it my duty to stop over and talk with you.

With best regards to you and the family, I am

Your sincere friend,

Leslie Chrisman.