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Description: Herbert Cobb is commissioned as a WWI officer, France, 1918

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I have something to look forward
to and its only up to a
man himself how far he goes.
It means lots of hard work
but I guess I can stand it.

I got the box Bert D. and
the other girls sent tonight.
It surely was worth waiting
for. You never saw anything
so nice, tobacco, socks, writers,
a trench mirror, candy, handkerchief
and a lot of little things. I
surely was very much pleased
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the crowd today but there isn't
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I'll let you know as soon
I find out more about this
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