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ACTIVE SERVICE IN FRANCE



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THE "WILDCAT'S" WENT OVER THE TOP.

The 321st Infantry went over the top
 To gallantly face the foe.
 They had longed for the chance
 That had brought them to France,
 They were ready and willing to go.
 They were keen for the test,
 Ev'ry man at his best,
 They awaited a whispered command.
 There were tears in some eyes,
 Tears of gladness, surprise,
 There was much in the clasp of a hand.
 While the shrapnel o'er—head,
 Sighed the dirge of the dead,
 And the mist like a dull curtain fell,
 Ev'ry bayonet of steel
 Voiced a silent appeal :
 « Give'em Hell, boys, give'em Hell ».
 Then the order came down,
 And they crept o'er the ground,
 Grim shadows on one purpose bent.
 No count for the cost,
 No count for the lost,
 Just a prayer for some life that was spent.
 In pages of History, God grant them a place,
 Who will ever forget the day,
 Two vict'ries were won,
 Two tasks were well done,
 All on November the eleventh they say.

Corporal IVAN RABD.

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DEAR Mrs Kollock.

The 81st DIVISION better known as
the "WILDCAT'S", is a

National Army composed of North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Tennessee, and most States. Arrived in France Aug. 16, 1918. Activities: East of St. Dié and Raon-l'Etape sector, Vosges Mts. Sept. 18 to Oct. 19 (brigaded with 20th French Division); Sommedieue sector between Handie-men works and Benzée-en-Woevre Nov. 7-11. Argonne-Meuse drive, north of Verdun. Insignia: Wildcat of varying color. Selected in the belief that the division could emulate it in its fighting qualities. Which it did.

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