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Supply Officer, P.U.O., Disposition of Remains Section,  
 Port of Embarkation, Hoboken, N.J.  
 Mr. George G. Dexter, 224 State St., Batavia, N.Y.

Death of Cpl. Robert I. Dexter, Co. B, 309th Inf. U.S.A.

My dear Mr. Dexter:

It is with regret that we advise you of the death of your son, Corporal Robert I. Dexter, of Co. B, 309th Infantry, on February 12th, 1919, at sea, from Pneumonia, lobar. This information was transmitted to you on February 14th by telegram and in confirmation this communication is sent.

The Medical Officer of the hospital on board the Transport on which Corporal Dexter sailed enroute to the United States, has given us the following details:

"Developed Pneumonia on board ship, on February 6th. Later examination showed that Fleurisy set in. All possible medical aid was rendered but patient did not respond to treatment. Death occurred at 7 o'clock in the morning of February 12th and was caused by sudden cardiac dilatation."

Our deep and sincere sympathy is tendered you in your loss. Corporal Dexter distinguished himself by his splendid courage in serving his Country, and fully demonstrated the ideals of a true American soldier by having suffered and risked all for a righteous Victory. As our noble President has said "They went forth to win a Cause, not a War." Although your son did not fall in battle his Supreme Sacrifice was made in 'Line of duty', which crowns him with honor. Our sincere hope is that his loyalty to the Colors and the courage with which he bore all and gave his life, for the Country he loved, will be a source of inspiration to you.

Very respectfully,

John A. Nelson,  
 Major Q.M. Corps.

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