

AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

France, 15th March, 1919.

Lieut. Col. David Barrow, M.C.,
Director, Base Hospital No. 40,
c/o Chief Surgeon, Hq. Port of Emb.,
New York City.

My dear Colonel Barrow:

Your letter of March 10th calling my attention to the cases of Capt. Samis and Lieut. George H. Wilson and also two Sanitary Corps officers who had been overlooked in the recent promotions, has just this minute arrived. It is too late now to rectify these omissions, as the authority given General Pershing to make promotions ceases when the officers concerned sail for home. No new promotions are being made just at the present time, although we understand that the door will be opened again in two or three weeks. As, however, you are now at Liverpool it is evidently too late.

I regret especially the case of Lieut. Wilson and would suggest that you take up his case with the Surgeon General. It is possible that he may be able to make some promotions. I have written to the Surgeon General calling attention to his name.

I am glad we were able to get in some promotions for No. 40. I hope that you will arrive safely and quickly at your home and will look back with pleasure to the valuable service which you have rendered our country.

Please give my cordial regard to Miss Margaret Brown and Mrs. Waite if you see them, *when you get home -*

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

J.P. Kean

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