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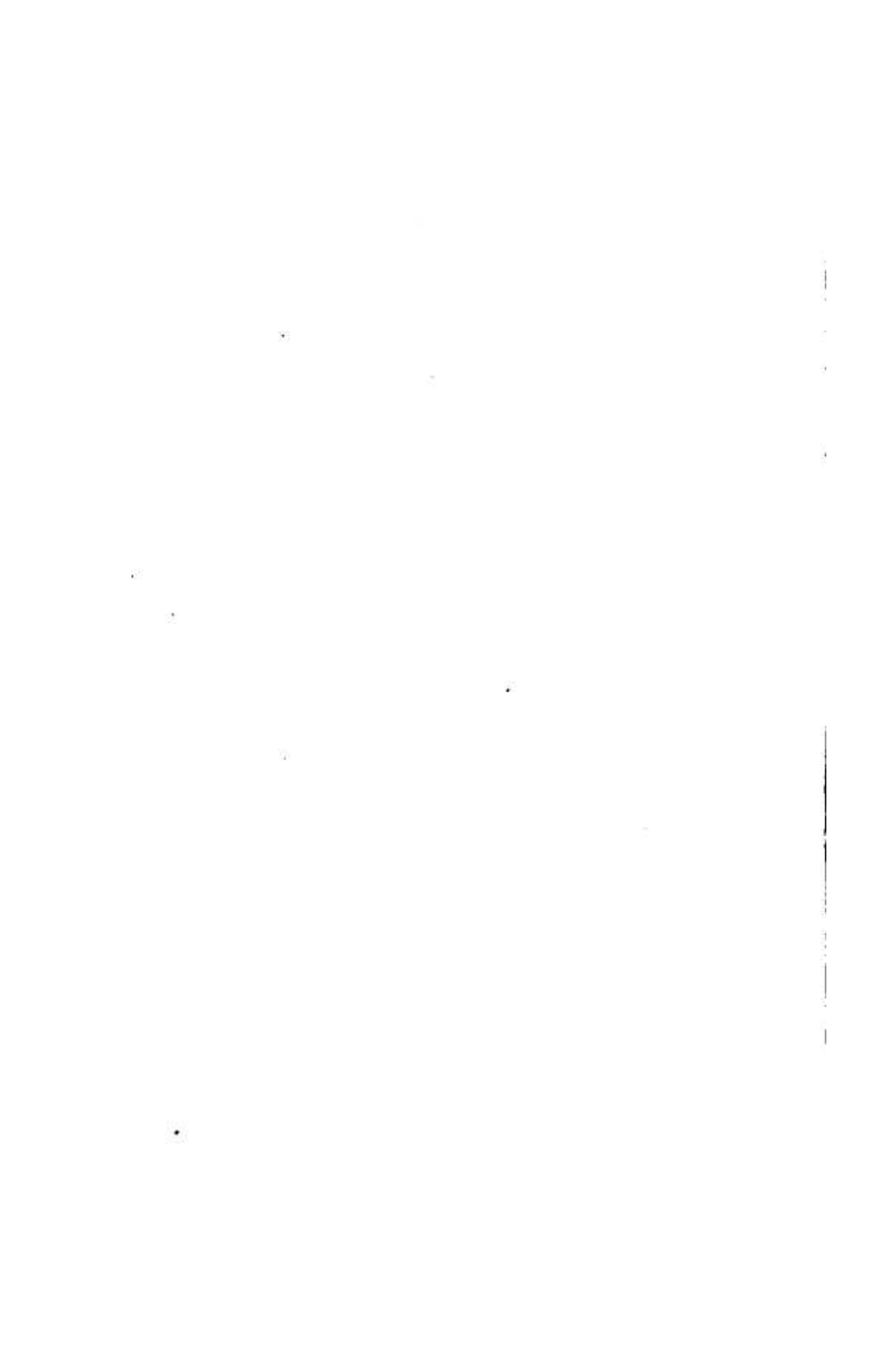
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To

FLOY PASCAL COWAN

THIS BOOK IS DEDICATED, WITH A LOVE THAT WANES NOT,
BUT GROWS AS THE YEARS ROLL ON



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SERGEANT ALVIN C. YORK

FROM a cabin back in the mountains of Tennessee, forty-eight miles from the railroad, a young man went to the World War. He was untutored in the ways of the world.

Caught by the enemy in the cove of a hill in the Forest of Argonne, he did not run; but sank into the bushes and single-handed fought a battalion of German machine gunners until he made them come down that hill to him with their hands in air. There were one hundred and thirty-two of them left, and he marched them, prisoners, into the American line.

Marshal Foch, in decorating him, said, "What you did was the greatest thing accomplished by any private soldier of all of the armies of Europe."

His ancestors were cane-cutters and In-