

2) The last we saw of him he was getting
over a fence and a shell burst
under him tearing the fence all to pieces
around him, all of our company are now
safe except Thomas Henderson W. L. Smith
and this man we think is killed - as
soon as we arrived at the woods I
saw it was no use for us to fight
them, so we went on for Bridge Port
I gave out soon and told the Boys to
make their way to our army and report,
the 2 Coker Boys also gave out at the
same time - we lay down in a hollow
and in a few minutes Calvin Esby &
M. J. White (the one that went to School in
Jefferson) come to us, while we were
lying there a Bomb come whizzing over
our heads and bursted a little before
us - Simeon Carr had a canteen full of water
which he threw away. I picked it up
I was perfectly exausted and think if
I had not come across that canteen full
of water I would have been dead now
we five then made our way on towards
Bridge Port, we Broke down again and
while we were there the Yankees passed
within 30 yards of us - we then made
another push and the first thing we
knew ~~the~~ we were on them again