

Thursday Eve.  
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Dear Folks;

I wrote yesterday but I have some more things to tell you so I will simply write again.

In the first place I got my first letters today. They had been sent to Ft. Harrison so they were more than a week old but I was very glad to get them. I was glad to get the newspaper clippings and to hear that at that time Richard had already played a whole football game. I certainly would have liked to have seen you as we had planned in the letters but maybe it is better that I didn't.

You mentioned my shots in your letter and it reminded me that I got a tetanus shot since I have been here. I am not so mad about

my tooth as I was last night.

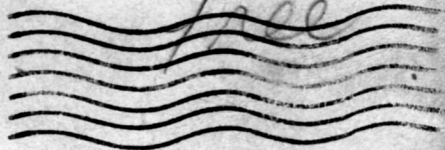
This morning I was officially signed up for ASTP. If I finish my basic training OK, I will enter a basic engineering course. If everything goes well in this after 36 weeks I will start in some specialized branch of engineering. I wasn't especially anxious for engineering but that is what the army needs so I am going to like it.

This evening a group from the 13th Company was moved to the 16th Co. Since they took the last 50 of the alphabetical list I was one of the group. I hated to leave since I was beginning to get lined up and since I liked the officer but I had no choice in the matter.

The only change in my address is 16th Co instead of 13th Co. Spread the news around about this. Love

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