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Tuesday morning

Hello Folks,

I am cheating just a little on my time but I wanted to get this letter off to you. What I mean is that I should be sleeping right now. We did a full day's work yesterday and then had a night hike last night of ten miles. So we are getting this morning off and I should be sleeping now. But something or other woke me up and I decided to try something.

Here it is: I received your package yesterday and tried on the bathing suit. But there is no stretch to it and it just wouldn't go on. But the legs were too little around to allow it to come up to my waist and the waist was too small. All the tags are still on it so you should still be able to exchange it.

I would like to have a suit for this Saturday so I thought that if this letter happened to reach you tomorrow and you sent the suit on the next mail (likely Thurs. morning) there is a chance that it might

get here by Saturday noon. It would be worth a try and if it didn't work there will be no harm done.

I didn't quite understand what you meant about the buckle on other suit but it would please me better if it wasn't quite so elaborate as this one. But I'll not send this one back till I hear from you just in case you meant that there was no buckle at all on the other suit.

Thanks a whole lot for the cigar box and what it contained. I think the green thread will simplify the sewing on of patches for me.

That hike last night convinced me of the need for heavy sox. I wore wool sox and still I got two great big blisters on my feet. What would it have been if I hadn't worn them. I wonder if you have been able to locate any of them for me. I am in no especial hurry for them so, if you don't have them, don't hold up the sending of the bathing suit while you are getting them. See what I mean.

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hard work was pretty tough on me, I had been working but, of course, communications school was nothing like hiking etc. Last night we walked on hard surfaced roads (about like the road past our house) for the entire 10 miles and everyone had pretty sore feet. In fact, I woke up once or twice last night and my feet hurt so bad that I was afraid I wasn't going to get back to sleep.

This hasn't been much of a letter but at least you will have heard from me. Hope you are all coming along O.K.

Love

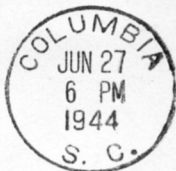
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