

Sunday

Dear Mother,

Well, here I am, after three days in the Army all well and happy. I haven't had time to write before. Perhaps you haven't even received the card I sent Friday. I am not at all certain as to the speed of the mail.

I will start at the beginning — Everything went fine in Boston. We stayed with Mrs. Nielsen. Thursday we went to the Army about 10 A.M. Something went wrong and only one truck came to get us. Those of us that had already had the physical exam waited for the second truck. Jim went in the first and I haven't seen him since. If you know what he is please let me know. Well the second truck came about 4:30



There is of course all kinds. There were many visitors here this after-noon.

Tonight I am writing to you and going to bed about nine. It's funny just being out in the air and walking around makes you sleepy and nervous at 6.15 demands are being heard now.

I'll write more later about life in camp. So far I haven't really done anything.

Tomorrow I report for work at the headquarters office.

There are a few things I would like sent me - if you will - as soon as possible -

1. Two bath towels - the old green ones
  2. Cleaning fluid - "Engine"
  3. Sewing kit: just some needles + dark brown thread
  4. Duffle bag - blue one I think is in attic - don't look too hard or buy one.
  5. Shoe brush + cloth which is in the green room or small cupboard.
  6. Small bottle of iodine + tube of ointment (small tube)
- Lots of love to all. (Put.) Fred.

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