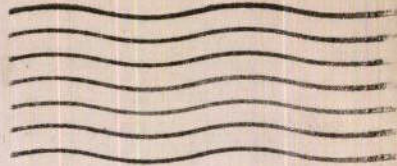


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Dearest Judith,

Tonight being ^{7 floor} show night, w in
 civilian language is called scrub day, I
 find myself very busy today. We
 worked a good system in cleaning
 the barrack so we finished early.
 A few of us when for a short
 swim in the swimming pool directly
 across the street. While at the
 pool I was thinking of the time
 we last when swimming together.
 This morning I had a drill in
 gas mask attacks. We went
 into a chamber with are
 gas masks on, ^{beg} the officer
 let the tear gas escape but I
 didn't get a smell of it because
 I already had my mask on.
 The reason for that was to
 prove to us how safe the
 gas mask is.

Then we went through the 2
chamber a second time with gas
mask on before we entered chamber.
after being in there a few minutes
we were instructed to remove
gas mask. then the tear gas
took affect on me. my eyes
started to water and cry plus my
neck was burning me slightly. We
left the chamber in a few seconds.

The reason for the second time
was to also prove to us the different
when wearing the gas mask and
when it is removed.

That wasn't the end. Once
more we had to enter the
tear gas chamber but this
time we had to enter without
any gas mask on us. as soon
as we got into the chamber
we had to go about placing the
mask on us as we were
instructed. I never put the mask
on me as quick as did that time.
It was a good experience.

Tell me, does the daily happening of what I did interest you or would you just prefer brief explanations?

Two fellow from my barrack today we transferred to any another part of camp. They are being transferred to a riflemen's battalion. I hope I won't be next.

Glad to hear that you were up to see my cousin and had a nice time.

Received your Army Digest.

Thanks for sending it to me.

I didn't have a chance to read it yet but I will at first opportunity.

How about sending me pictures of yourself, that I can place in my wallet.

It's close to bed time now so I say good night darling.

Love (to my heart beat)

xppp Ben