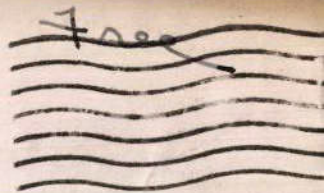


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my dearest Judy,

I received a letter from Aaron yesterday explaining to me that he made O.C.S.

It's very hard for me to believe that Aaron will be a future officer of the United States, all the power to him. of all the fellows to be selected to go to O.C.S.

I think Aaron would be the last one in my mind.

That's the way the breaks go and I do hope he will come out of O.C.S. as an officer. The course will be tough, requiring many hours of studying.

If he puts his mind to it
I think he will be able to
complete the course.

Received the tasty package
of Hanson Brownies from
your parents. Kindly thank your
folks for the delicious cake. It
came as a suprise and I
enjoyed and appreciate it
very much.

Last night I was
all set to go to bed early, a few
minutes after I got into my
bunk we had an air raid.
For us the raid doesn't
mean the same as it did
two months ago when in
New York we just took
cover in a building or
you remember in the subway.

I had to get dressed
carry my field pack, gas mask
and rifle, then go into the
woods as cover, what a
life,



On a whole the Army life is beginning to improve. yesterday morning I went on a combat field where targets are placed from 10 to 15 feet in front of me. The idea is that I run around the path and every time I see the target I have to immediately fire on it, then proceed to my next object. all together I fire 16 rounds taking about 1 minute.

The point I'm trying to stress is that I was waiting around the range all morning until I was called up to shoot. Oh yes my score was 16 out of 16. my sergeant as well as myself was completely surprised.

Today was another easy day. I saw movie pictures and demonstrations on difficult Army tactics.

It sure sounds funny to me that you met a fellow from Spartenburg. It's such a small town you should have asked him about the weather. What did he have to say about Spartenburg and Camp Croft?

I'll write my mother about coming down to your house for supper.

My mother just wrote me saying I received notice of another payment of my income tax. It's too bad the government had to draft me so soon because now they are going to lose out on the balance of my tax at least for the duration.