

October 21

Dear Mom:

Just got through breakfast and decided to take a few minutes off to write to you as I am sure you would be worrying. I have an exam today, just finished one yesterday and have a couple of more coming up. I am up and about and began taking drill again yesterday. I had so many things to catch up on with tests coming that I couldn't write earlier.

*got a 100 in the exam*

In just a couple of more weeks I will be leaving for Shelby and will arrive there probably two weeks from Monday. The days in study here pass so quickly, two weeks will be by in no time. I received a letter from Hank Bjorek yesterday but under the present plan I will not be able to see him. It would be nice to see him - and expect to the first furlough I get but won't this trip. I am still hoping that I may be able to see Alice and the folks even for a few minutes and perhaps can fix it -

The days are getting colder daily and expect to see snow on the ground any minute now. The leaves have lost its foliage - however, daddy manages to get along, althou my cold insists to hang on. I went down to arrange for my pictures to be taken but the studio won't be able to do it at least for another month so decided to wait until I reached my permanent station before taking any pictures.

Last night I attended the Congregational chaplains meeting with Dr. Fagley our national secretary. It was very interesting - one of the things discussed was the possibility of chaplains after the war attending a seminary for six months or so - it would be nice if this came about. Dr. Douglas Horton was also at the meeting.

I am having lunch with Mrs. Greenough this weekend - she is coming to pick us up. My roommate was also invited.

I wrote Kito and the rest of that gang a long letter this week - he probably will get them about the time this gets to you. I also sent Doctor Ikeda and Kito a "fisherman's rule" a simple ruler that measures so that six inches will look like two feet - in case they catch anything, it would be an advantage to measure the fish on this ruler. They probably won't get that until near christmas. Have read in the paper of the excitement you had early Sunday morning - it was just a by line in the news but must have been headlines there in Honolulu.



I am eating regularly in a boarding house now. It is much nicer and much cheaper. At least I don't ~~expect~~ to get another case of food poisoning.

The drilling and the hikes are getting tougher and tougher but proportionately we are getting to like it - and perhaps are in better condition then we ever were. I still don't get enough sleep but hope to catch up on it after the war.

Thanks for the pictures you sent me - Peter doesn't seem to enjoy taking pictures, I must tell him about it. Will write again over the weeked -

DEAR PETER:

HOW ARE YOU. DADDY MISSES YOU VERY MUCH BUT KNOW THAT YOU WILL WAIT FOR DADDY BECAUSE HE MUST HELP FIGHT ALL THE BAD PEOPLE SO THAT WE MAY HAVE PEACE AGAIN. THEN WHEN PEACE COMES YOU AND I WILL MAKE MODELS? GO TO SHOWS, AND GO SWIMMING EVERY DAY. MOMMIE SENT ME THE PICTURES OF YOU AND MOMMIE - YOU STILL DON'T LIKE TO TAKE PICTURES. DADDY WANTS TO SEE YOUR PICTURES SO NEXT TIME MOMMIE ASKS YOU - PLEASE DO SO WILLINGLY. YOU SEE - DADDY WANTS TO SEE YOU LIKE YOU ARE AND NOT POUTING OR ANGRY. YOU WILL DO THAT MUCH FOR DADDY?-

HOW IS SCHOOL. DO YOU HAVE LOTS OF FUN COMING HOME ON THE BUS WITH BUNNIE. BE A GOOD BOY AND DON'T PLAY TOO ROUGH.

VERY SOON DADDY WILL BE IN CAMP WITH THE SOLDIERS FROM HAWAII AND THEN HE WILL HAVE MORE TIME TO WRITE TO YOU AND SEND YOU PRESENTS. RIGHT NOW, DADDY IS SO BUSY HE CAN'T GO TO THE STORES IN TOWN.

WRITE TO DADDY SOON AND THANK YOU FOR THE VERY NICE LETTER YOU SENT ME. YOU ARE GETTING TO WRITE REAL WELL. BEST REGARDS TO BACHAN

LOVE

*Dad*