



ARMY AIR FORCES

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Dear Sweet Family:-

No mail yet today of course but  
my mail should start coming Mon. or  
Tues. I hope. I sure miss it lots!

Golly, my handwriting gets worse every day!

Maybe I should use this style again for a while, eh?  
Have just shaved & showered so I should  
→ & do - feel better now.

The more time on this field the better I  
like it. The food is swell & our mess hall is open 24  
hours a day so we go in & eat anytime we feel like  
it. We eat all regular plates too! Breakfast is the  
only meal that milk is served but there is plenty  
of it for that one meal. We also had Fr. toast &  
bacon & ham for breakfast. Pork chops, potatoes,  
green beans, rice, & cocoa. besides bread & butter for  
dinner.

We, the whole crew, spent most of the

afternoon gain' over a B-24. It is a great ship! Poe, the Pilot, is one swell ape & has 104 hours of him' time in B-24's so he should know his stuff. He has been in the army for over 3 years & was a top kick in the infantry so I imagine that I will deserve stripes. Will act j'm for me. I think I'll make Staff within 2 months. I sure hope so.

I can hardly wait to start flying! The Radio Compartment is directly behind the Co-Pilot's seat. It is small but I have everything there that I need. The top turret, which will be manned by the 1st Engineer, is just to the right & rear of my "seat & desk". I won't act the tail turret but will act either a waist gun or the lower 5 cent Ball turret. I kinda hope it's the latter but will be satisfied with either of them.

The six of us enlisted men on the crew all live together in this barracks. There's about 10 crews - 6 enlisted men in each - in this Bk. all together. The six of us have 3 double bunks all together. The Pilot, Bombardier & ~~manipulator~~ Co-Pilot



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all line together with other officers in another barracks.  
Our barracks are just like those at Sioux Falls  
- almost Chicken-Coops - but are plenty warm.  
Due to the altitude - 6,178' above sea level, it  
is pretty cold here.

The mountains are all covered with snow  
& are really pretty. Pike's peak is sure a big deal.  
It is really pretty to see the bottom of it & then to  
look the top clouds form all the way around it &  
you see the peak stickin' up thru' the clouds so  
you can imagine how high it is. 14,000' high!

There is a Sergeants Club here so the  
boys are after me to finish this & look it over so  
till tomorrow.

Love to you all  
Glenn