

Sun. Afternoon.

12:10

3-12-44

Hi Snell Family:-

Once again I missed writing
you & now have 2 letters
from you to answer. I went to
school until 9:00 last night
& then went right over & put
in a call to Ruth without
going back to the bank for
my stationery. I should have
gone then it came my call didn't
go there till 11:30 - 12:30 there -
& the bank cannot accept calls
after 11:30 so it was a waste
of time. I sent her a telegram
informing her that I'd phone
today.

I have two hours of school
- 1 & 3 - today, even tho' it

is my day off. I'll put my
call in at 3 & wait till it
goes thru.

We didn't have 8 brief
this morning but 5 other
ones, who weren't driv' as
well as they should, did
go down at 8:30. This a.m.

I got up about 10, took
a nice shower & shave, shaved
all up, & then had the best
meal I've had on this post:
chicken (I had all white meat
& plenty of it!), mashed potatoes,
chicken gravy, chicken noodle
soup, dressing, lettuce & salad
dressing, bread & butter, cake,
ice cream, & green house!
I was kinda disappointed
that they didn't have any

Smile for me & drink, tho!
It was really swell & first
night's fall!

Ha! Ha! Boy, I sure do
want a picture of that lip,
Dale!! I really got a kick
out of that! Not that I
enjoy seeing you get hurt
but for "a couple" fist
& split lips my self. Well
but it really looks sweet!
Excuse me for laughing but
you'd do the same! Deep
you a line, kid!

Poe went over & com-
munications & see how I
was doing & they told him
that I was the best damned
operator in the flight & one
of the best in the whole damn

Phase! I often wondered
how I was lucky enough
to graduate at Sioux Falls
Camp & that I didn't know
a damn thing but I guess
he knew I'd soaked a little
of it in. Up! I'm huggin'!!

That's not all: I've heard
any number of pilots & in-
structor pilots say that Poe
is the best pilot on the field!
and Poe has been informed
that Tadd is the best Engineer
on the field & the other pilots
know it!! Now that would
we can't miss!

Hope you're better
by now, Mom. Take care of
yourself!

I did from letter from
 Ruthie yesterday. She
 can only be here for 2 days
 & it'll cost me around \$50
 & ~~to~~ get her a round trip
 ticket. Sounds like a lotta
 money for no short a time
 but it's worth it to me!
 However, I'll send it be-
 fore the end of the month
 & won't have it so soon
 know it from you? I'll
 let you know more about
 it later, after I've talked to her.

I'm glad that you
 could do my laundry, Mom,
 & I'll be glad to get it as I
 had to borrow a pair of slacks
 & a handkerchief from Rosa.

very this morning & I have
my last pair of clean socks
now. I have a million, now!
I have some & need some
soon as they get's here. I know
some of the socks are gone but
if I wear 'em with another
pair they're ok & I always
wear 2 pairs when I'm flying
As I said before I have
to go to school at 1:00 PM
till next time ~

Love
Shawn