

ARMY TECHNICAL SCHOOL



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SIOUX FALLS, S. DAK.

Tues. Afternoon

12:30

4-27-43

Dear Family +

Boy, I really got the mail today! Corder from Mary Helen, Dake, 3 letters from you, & one from the nurse.

Boy, when the wind blows around here, it really blows & when it does, there's so much sand that you can't see a thing & that's just what it's doing today. It's impossible I walk in an upright position.

I walked over to the Public Relations Office this morning with Bill Lake & registered you for Mother's Day. His mother is coming by train, from Wash., D.C. I have to phone them Fri. & let them know what time you will get

into Sioux Falls & they will have
 someone there at the bus station to
 meet you & take you right out
 to the camp. They are arranging a
 place for the smelter & they sat.
 with or if you get here Fri-
 at any time - they'll be there to meet
 you - & you'll sleep right down on
 the pret. Fri. night too. All the smelters
 will be there.

We are going on a different shift
 starting tonight. 2 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.
 - sleep from 4 p.m. till midnight.
~~They~~ If you get here before or by
 1:00 Fri. night (Sat. morn), I'll be there
 when they bring you out. I hope you
 get here early enough that I can see
 you a while before I go to school.
 Then Sat. I'll see you during the
 day - from 10 or 10:30 in the morn.
 till 5 or 6 at night & then sleep till
 12 & go to school again. Then, Sun. -



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my day off - we'll go in to Sioux Falls
 & spend the day. There is some sort
 of Mother's Day program in town too.
 We'll go to a show or two & talk &
 walk around, go up to the U.S.O. &
 then we will get separate rooms in
 the Cypress Hotel - that's the best
 one in town - & stay Sun. nite.
 & then Mon. - we can find something
 to do - I don't have to be back in
 camp till about midnight now. I don't
 think I can get a ^{extra} chaperone but
 I'm gonna try. If you want to we can
 find some nice Tourist Home & stay.
 I haven't been in a house since I've
 been "in". You could stay all week
 until next Sun. & Mon. & we could
 be together then too. It'd be kinda
 lonesome but Clarence could spend

a day with you & that will be better
 getting over the weekend & I could
 phone you every day. I'd love to
 have you stay till I graduate &
 then go with me from there —
 But I imagine Dad & Mom would
 have a sweet time finding things
 without you. How about it fellows?
 Ha Ha. All is all, Mom, well
 have a swell time & I just want to
 sit & look at you & talk to you.

Some glad to hear that the
 business is going so well. It's all
 your fault & yours got to admit
 it. You earned it & worked like
 hell I mean it so why not have
 it?

Thanks a lot for the well
 letter, Dad. I'll write you one
 soon but I wanta sew on some



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P.S. stripes & then go & get. I'm
really tired. Say, you'll be making
pretty good money over at Messge,
won't you? But you needn't
send me any money - thanks an
awful lot. But I really don't
need. It will come in handy tho.
When Momegets home from her
trip up here, she'll be bringing
your birthday present from me.
Give her some ideas on what
you want. Guess it'd be safe
for me if I'd buy you a set of
boxing gloves now that Liss gone.
Ha. Ha. Keep up the good work
with the women. If I were you, I
think I'd hang onto your job at the
chow till school's out. You'll find

That that little bit of extra spend-
ing money comes is awful handy.
Be good, now, kiddo. I'm de-
pending on you. By the way - I
gave Mr. Dr. strict instructions as
to what I cut off & to be careful.
Be sure to get Byrnes Cook
straight on that. About that nurse -
she was married - damned!

I'm glad you asked Doc
Boyle about the apparatus. I was
anxious to know about it. He may
be able to tell you about the tech-
nical part but when I see all
you guys I'll tell you what the
deal is. I don't have much any
more. Quite a bit when my tools
move & a little what after but that's
all. I have a bag full of animal
oil. They gave it to me. I
have to go back Mr. St. I may &



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He looked over. They sure are
careful to take good care of you.
So much for my little
troubles.

Did I tell you that I met
Arnold Shuman a couple weeks
ago at the P.T.? He is in the
same class as I am in school.

I took a set of O.D.'s (pants
+ shirt) + a set of Khaki down
to the tailor this morning to be
made + changed + pressed + it's
only gonna cost me \$3.20 - not
that, eh?

Well I guess that's all for
today. Till tomorrow -

Love to you
all
Shan.