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— SIOUX FALLS, S. DAK. —

Mon. After.

Dear Folks:

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4:45

Well, we got off K.P. early today. I'm getting wise, ^{and} where & when I find the right kind of work I don't mind hard work but I try to steer clear of the messy jobs like garbage & cleaning gutters & such. You should have heard one guy gripe when we were changing horse cars & canned food around in the stock room. I was working along at a good clip & he wanted to say so I told him if he didn't want work like I did, to forget it & find

it. I can't help it - when I have to do more things, I seem to be getting it done right away & right. the guy got pretty sore but kept on working. Suffering.

Got a well letter from you today & also one from Bob. I have so many letters I'll never get 'em answered.

Yes, I am in much better spirits than I have been. I guess I just have to force myself to forget things & think of other stuff or I'd go nuts. I'm always thinking of home & dreaming of the day I'll see you all again.

I almost passed 18 w.p.m. last night. I'm embracing the

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"Chuck" It explains how I am
 tonight I'm going to work on
 8:20 a.m. until. I check
 & then go on. That way is
 will mean a lot slower.
 We are also getting thicker and
 now. A light thinks I can
 out & we have to write it
 down without looking at the
 paper. I have a deal of a time
 to keep from writing off the
 paper & I write in straight
 lines. In theory, we are working
 with the command set a trans-
 mitter & receiver. The trans. is
 set up to transmit code or voice.
 It is very interesting. Now the
 Lisa A.P. I don't get as much
 sleep & have quite a time keeping

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awake. I wouldn't mind going
to sleep but I'm afraid I'll
miss something so I just fight
to stay awake. The only thing
I really dislike about N.P. is
that I have no spare time &
I'm on my feet all the time
I have to stand up the first 5 1/2
hours of school. Get up at
12 midnight, school at 12,
back to barracks at 9:50, N.P.
at 10, off at 4:30 (supposed to
go to bed at 4:00) take shower
till 5 & then try to write
you an undisturbed letter.
But Boy do I eat snow!!

You said it, Dad. The boys
are really passing the days.
Things are looking right now!

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I hate to close so
soon but I'm awful
tired & have to get up
soon.

Till tomorrow

Yours truly
The R.P. Keck