

546 Rose St.
Sept. 16

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Tuesday Evening,

Dear June & Morgan,

Well here I am after my second day at Lexington & from the looks of things I am really going to like it. We arrived here about 1:00 P.M. yesterday and went to the reception center to sign in. They fingerprinted us and photographed us & we looked like a bunch of convicts. They take a front and side view of you with a little name plate & a number..

After that they gave us names to go see about room & board. The fellow I am rooming with went to school here a few years ago & he knew a lady who ran a boarding house so here we are living across the street ~~from~~ from the University. The room is really swell & we have a new innerspring mattress on our bed. The meals are also good and we get all this for \$6.70 a week, we only eat two meals a day here.

As back would have it we got on the night shift, 10:40 to 6:40. They have a cafeteria at the school so I will eat a little lunch out there about 2:00 A.M. in the morning.

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You should see the school. It is located about a mile outside of town (By the way, a bus passes right by our house to the school.) Anyway there are about 6 or 7 new buildings to accommodate the ~~some~~ some of 3,000 students. The grounds are really beautiful & the schools are modern. After looking at what they had done here since the middle of January you would think that "Uncle Sam" hasn't been asleep after all, as they started from scratch.

Morgan, I guess you have heard about some of the equipment they are using, but they were telling us today about some of the airplane detectors they have, by the way this is no military secret. The instructor said we are using some detectors in England that can hear enemy planes coming $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles away, how fast they are coming and in which direction they approach. From this they can calculate at what time the planes will arrive. They also are using a detector that can hear enemy planes at fifty miles & automatically fire anti-aircraft guns at them. If ~~they~~ these machines are set up right they are said to be able to fire a direct hit every time.

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This is supposed to be the reason that Germany has let up on their bombing of England and what bombing they are doing is all being done at very high altitudes.

If I am smart enough and know enough math, this is the type of work I will get into when I get in the army. You have to graduate in the first 15% of your class to do so. The graduating classes are only 1,000 students a month so I don't know if I can make the grade or not. At any rate I am going to work like hell.

I don't know if you all have been to Lexington or not, but it is the biggest little town I have ever seen. I believe the business district is bigger than home. They have as many big buildings here as they do at home. I feel right at home here because the streets run just like they do in Evansville, every way possible.

The University has a pretty campus with lots of trees & the buildings are all nice.

I think I am going over to Louisville Sat. U of K play Georgia over there so I thought I would go over.

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Morgan, they play 4 games here this year.
October 3, Washington & Lee, Oct. 10, Hamdubilt,
Oct. 24, Alabama & Nov. 14, West Virg. University.
If you care to come over for any of the games,
let me know in time & I will get you the
tickets.

Well I am about to run out of words
so I had better close. I never have written
so many long letters in my life as I have today.
This is also the first place I have stayed that
there was anything to talk about.

Let me hear from you both when you
get a chance.

Love

Owen.