



GREENVILLE ARMY
FLYING SCHOOL
GREENVILLE, MISS.

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Dear Folke,

Here it is 6:30 Sunday afternoon, my first
free minute today, which began at 4:00 this morning.
The only thing Sunday means around here is no P.T.,
everything else goes on just the same including ground school.

I thought Jerry made a typographical error when he
said that he got up at 4:15 this morning but he didn't.

There is a different schedule every week though, depending
on whether we fly in the morning, afternoon, or night.

It doesn't matter much which it ~~is~~ is because only
a few hours are allotted to sleep each day anyway.

If I ever said that Basic was hard, just forget it,
it was a snap compared to this and I'm not kidding
a bit.

I haven't very much to tell about the flying here
because I've only been up twice and they were mostly
orientation rides. I don't think that flying is going
to be very much fun because this is a twin engine ship.

The ship is restricted from any maneuvers that are any fun so the only thing left to do is rig around and manipulate levers, knobs, switches, and handles, at least a million of them by the way. I haven't a picture of the crate or I'd send it to you. I'll buy a post card, when and if I ever get a chance ^{to go} to the P.X., with a picture of the air plane on it. Papa saw one at Greenville on the post card that Harvey Harrison wrote me from here. Incidentally all of the boys are here, I got a glimpse of them thru my first two days here. They said that this wicked schedule doesn't let up, even to the bitter end.

I don't know how long it takes mail to get from here to there or from there to here but I haven't gotten a letter from 512 since I've been here. ~~Because~~ If my first letter got lost and you didn't get my address that's tough because that is one less of the very few letters that you will get from me while I'm here. I also sent a card and some pictures I had made at Greenville. I hope you get the pictures anyway. Dispose of the two extra big ones as you see fit. If you ~~not~~ want any more of any of them you can copy the ~~so~~ number off of the back of them and order more from the studio at G. A. F. I'll have some more made some day so there is probably no need of that. If you do have some more made for distribution you don't have to have them made so large. With that size pictures it looks like there is too much sky in it to look right. Maybe a smaller one would look



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now in proportion any way.

I don't know whether I'll have time to read it or not but I wish that you would order me a copy of the Star-Telegram. Here before I've had access to a Dallas Morning News but now all of the Dallas boys live in a different barracks so I need a Star-Telegram to keep up with the news. Don't order both daily copies because I know I wouldn't have time to read that much. One daily copy and a Sunday will suffice I'm sure.

I'd better quit now and study a little bit before I get so sleepy I can't hold my eyes open. Remember how I used to quit studying ^{if I ever started} and go to bed when the 10:00 news came on? Well I do the same thing now when the sun goes down, if I don't have anything else to do, which isn't often.

I'll write again when and if I ever have time,

Lots of love,
Joe