



SELMAN FIELD
MONROE, LOUISIANA

Thursday 6/19

Dear Mom,

I received your last letter just after I mailed one to you.

Well, I'm almost through my first week in advanced, & it's pretty good. So far, it's been easy, because we haven't learned very much that we hadn't taken in pre-flight. The school here is run altogether different from preflight. Here, each one of us has his own desk, a regular office desk, & we stay in one room for all our classes, even our studying. We have 3 instructors, & they alternate in taking the class. We have about 7 hours of classes a day, & all we take is navigation.

I've been made a cadet officer, & therefore get more open post time. All cadet officers here get all weekend off and one night during the week, while the rest of the cadets get only Saturday or Sunday off. Our com-

manding officers believes in making cadet officers, those men who are married & have their wives in town. If there are too many men for the positions open, he creates odd jobs & gives them the additional open post privileges.

Pearl is fine, & she's been waiting to hear from you. She told me that she hasn't received an answer to her last letter as yet. She's kept busy taking care of her room, laundry, & my things. During the afternoon, everyone down here stays in because the sun is too hot, so she takes it easy then, & comes out here in the evening from 6 to 10 P.M., unless I'm busy.

It's nice & cool here today, & just now it started raining. It's just a shower, though, & will probably stop in a few minutes. It never rains more than a few minutes at a time here.

How is everyone at home? I still haven't heard from Cecil. All the letters I write to you are also for Grandma & Grandpa. I don't have the time to write letters, & I would only write the same to them anyway.

Regards to everyone & answer soon.

Marty