

Saturday 10/30/42

Dear Mom,

As you know from my wire, I arrived here Thursday late in the afternoon. Since then, I've been busy filling out papers, taking a physical exam, getting quarters, & signing in with the various departments on the field. I finally completed all these preliminaries today.

The place is the same as any other field, but since we are officers now, everything is better than we've had it before. The food at the officers' mess is good, & our quarters are better than we had at Monroe. We have orderlies to make our beds, clean our rooms, & tend to the furnace.

I don't know how long I'll be here. I might leave the end of the week, or I might stay here for about 3 months. Nobody knows what is going on around here. Anyway, I'm planning to have Pearl come down in about 10 days. If I leave here before that, she can always cancel her train reservations & come to the new field.

The weather down here has been quite cold. It's

windy all the time & the air is cold. During the day, however, the sun warms it up a little.

I haven't been to town yet, but expect to go in tomorrow to look the place over. I've heard from some of the fellows that it's not bad at all.

How are you feeling & how is Grandma?
How is the weather in New York? Is Orey still in her new job?

Well, that's about all there is to tell right now. I'll write again & let you know any further developments.

Give my regards to Cecil, Orey, Al, Grandma & Grandpa & let me hear from you soon.

Masty