

Saturday

Oct 9

Dear Mother & Dad:

By now you're probably nuts with these special deliveries. But here's the lowdown so far. Nothing exciting to you, undoubt'edly, but it probably means sudden upheaval for me. Troops have been moving out of our barracks suddenly all week & I was griping that I'd be stuck here for the duration. But no so fast, me bucks!

Thurs AM. Sherman & I & Forth were informed we'd be leaving on Sat nite (to ride!) for Wash, D.C. to attend a conference with 2 of our Officers. We'd be back in about a week. We couldn't figure it out but it was as good as a vacation — & only 4 hrs from home. If I couldn't get home, surely somebody could come to Wash for a nite. By Friday AM. things had changed. It was discovered that our little parent

would have extended us a 2mo. tour of the country - for what I don't know - but something in connection with recruiting. New orders were sent to send 9 girls to the first female class in A.G. School. So our original group + 3 more are now scheduled for A.G. & another 8 are off on the "safari" tonight. Words can't express the emotions, opinions, & gripes that have been floating around here for the past 2 days. Each one knew what she wanted, & also had a mental list of whom she thought should be chosen in each group, as well as who should stay for the week here. I knew I was scheduled for A.G. but was rooting for Mary Cline to go with us instead of on "the tour". And at the last minute she was taken off both lists to make room for a buck private who needs habizing (a woman of 40) & who had to jump to Pfc & then T/5 in 2 hrs, to be eligible as a non-com

for AG. It's the poorest judgement I've
 ever seen exercised, Even in the Army, &
 as unfair a piece of hardiwork as I ever
 care to witness. But there is no changing
 it - just one of those things you have to
 take. As things stand now, we leave
 here Tues or Wed for Washington
 Jefferson College in Washington, Pa -
 about 35 miles from Pittsburgh.
 Still don't know whether it's a month or
 two. (But it looks like a 4 mos
 furlough is shot.) The worst part
 of it is that it may not be
 temporary. Rumors are now that
 we'll "clear the post" - take Everything
 we own - & may be assigned
 from AG school. Our section Chief
 here is going as P.O. for the class
 so it's a cinch our group will
 get the choicest assignments if we
 don't get to come back here. Now
 I've got to adjust to the possibilities
 of a field assignment & vice

probably never get back here to
Oxethorpe & my old friends. It's
almost like leaving home, & will really
take some doing to get used to the
idea.

Right now I'm wondering
if I'll get a chance for a day home
while Fran is there. No telling.
Or if Arthur could get down
there for a few days. But we'll
take care of that up after I arrive.
Don't suppose I'll be writing
again for at least a week. Drawing,
essays, doing laundry, packing,
is really going to keep me busy for
several days.

Don't know how what time I
can see you, but will, as soon
as possible.

Remember, You Can wash out
NAG - Pray!! Time under your
what as to where & when please.
Love, Dad.

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