

9:25 A.M. Thursday
Fort Lewis, Washington
Nov. 11, 1943.

Dear Audry:

While things are quite and before I have to go over to the dispensary for another shot I'll try to dash off a few lines.

Finally got a letter today, Thursday. It has been a long week and I hope that I'll never have to go this long again without any mail. It means a lot to get letters even though you don't have much to say, Hon, so don't let it happen again unless you are trying to get rid of me. I still havn't received the letter you wrote Sunday and addressed to the Casual Detachment. Can't figure out where it could have been sent.

Naturally I was quite surprised to learn in your letters of Monday and Tuesday that your YWCA chorus was going to sing Sunday. Tell me more about it.

It is very doubtful that I will be able to get to ~~pxw~~ Portland this week-end and quite probable that I will be shipped out of here during the next week. A ruling has just come through that they cannot hold anyone here, unless assigned to headquarters company, for more than ten days. That is going to mean that a lot of the fellows will be shipped out during the next few days. This changes things and I'm not sure where I'll be going. They will have to shp us wherever they can and there will not be too much choice in the matter,-- if there ever was any choice in the Army.

Nearly called you up Wednesday night. I went to bed about nine but was so worried over not receiving any mail all week that I was afraid something had happened to you. I got up about 9:45 PM, dressed, walked over to the Service Club to make the call but the telephone girls have locked up for the night. Got some change and came back over to a telephone booth to place a call, but central said they were holding the Portland line for half an hour and could not take any calls. Went over to the Company recreation center for awhile and by that time it was so late I was afraid

both you and the Covington's would be in bed so I also went back to bed.

I suppose that you were right at the Cov's. Did you go home before 10:30?

I went down and bowled last night. Had scores of 199, 172, 164, 158 and 124. Really got a good work-out. And all of that after having two hours of drill. However, the first hour from 3 to 4 was mostly a movie, but during the second hour the made up an awkward squad of about 60 of the new men and made us go through drill until after five. The drills have changed quite a bit since I last had them.

The bank sent the copy of the Duplicate deposit slip here. I also note that the slip says commercial acct. You had better check with them right away and find out if ~~hax~~ they got it in the correct account, Checkmaster Acct 1313. I told them all of that but with all of the new help they are having their troubles. Also check on the address with them and see if they hve it right. I'm also sending ~~xxxxxx~~ mother's letter to you.

I received my August expense abbout of ~~19~~ 10.30 from the Government so I will probably have enough to get along on for the rest of this month. Also the fellow paid me back the \$5 so I have 21 or 22 dollars at present. However, I wont be getting much of a pay check in Decemberso I'll probably be needing some money then. Have you received any allotment checks from the Government? You should be getting one soon. Remember that is for ~~yx~~ our big trip after the war--- if we don't spend it now.

Geuss I have better get over and have that shot now.

Love,

Harold.