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Dear Mom & Dad,

I find it hard to study tonight for, as you must already know, the Reserve has been called. It means that about 700 of us will leave the campus between April 15 and May 1.

That means that excited all of us, no one can remain still. But it is not a strange, terrible tragedy as already you are witnessing, Mom—no, though we all are being deprived from higher education for a time, the picture of further training is bright—both as cadets in an Army school and/or as officers candidates. I suppose I had much to say on advance training in languages, et al. and filling out an attachment tonight, I just down as any special skill languages and my service preference as Army Intelligence. My background, however, is miserable needs.

I'll finish finals Thursday, March 18. It is a great problem, which the choices. I refuse to allow me to select, whether or not to pack up and living it all home before I leave, or to leave it and come back before the
"Yes" week of April I begin... I no can... month's notice is required before that time, but all will be called before May 10. They cannot recommend very strongly that we enroll next quarter because we cannot reach mid-term hence we will receive no credit, regardless of the few weeks we go. I should like, however, to attend some classes without credit hence before I go, but the problem of rooms etc. will be great since we are so unsettled. I must emphatically say, though, that it is not your duty to leaving the car to Boulder. All that we have can be shipped and my spirit is not so discouraged that it can't fit into a bus seat.

I said goodbye to Jim Rice tonight and Aunt Jane's friends will return to Canon as soon as his parents can unpack it. It may be necessary for you to ship my Supremo trunks if we pack my next week. He will request it than his parents should be here to.

After our orders come, we report to Fort Logan, there to receive our tests and assignments — a vast number of so well
the next week is school, following a proced-ure followed at Yale, Wisconsin, etc., when the reserve was called there.

None of us will probably return to Boulder, however, and many of the non-tech-nicians may not be sent anywhere for a while.

You should have heard the screams of delight, and some anguish, that arose upon its announcement tonight. It was a release for much growing tension.

It is regrettable, however, that it must come in final weeks. Studying is now nothing but gargantuan boxes of castor oil.

Looked into my scholarship today and found that, due to possibility of army, sending us back post-war, the University is making no guarantee. Am writing some letters to various people for an extension of my course.

I am not yet sure, but I don't believe that I'll return to register next quarter. It is hardly worth it, since call is no certain.

Got your card today and noted that Miss Russell is enjoying your hospitality. Hope fl ado cold gets better.
If you are now uneasy—please feel relieved----because I'm relieved. Another
impassive has been passed and a new chapter opened.
Let's just hope I make that physical--another
reason why I should come home for three or
weeks.

Jim has placed a call for his folks
who will be instructed to phone you. There
is no great exigency because a quick letter
to our Congressman won't be necessary.

I urge that you will find time to
special thank--telling me, in your own
humanized way--whether or not I should pack
up and live home these bundles fast forward
now or make a trip up late again, cleaning
up my affairs--because April 15 is not
years away.

I feel tonight as though the doctor
had just said I was going to have tennis--
frisks and an induction notice. But she is
nagging me to write.

Introduce myself to the principal head
of the English department who likey looks me and
I have now walked home several times.

Thank you!

[Signature]