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Dear Miss McGlynn,

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Finally I have the opportunity to drop you a few words. Since I arrived (almost 4 weeks ago) we've been on the double. With drilling, marching, studies, et al there hasn't been a minute to spare. Today we had the final examinations of our indoctrination period. As far as I know, I have nothing to worry about. These exams were in Ordnance, Seamanship, Drawing (Blueprint Reading) and Mathematics. The Math covered everything from elementary algebra to spherical trig. It was considerable ground to cover in 3 weeks. However there is ample time to cover these things, if you don't waste a minute which incidentally is impossible. The work is interesting but I still prefer somethings less more than all sciences. Give me social studies and lit. ✓

I received your "New York" card today and your "College Notice" yesterday. Write when you aren't too busy. I'll answer when I can.

Notre Dame is fine. It is a beautiful place, even in winter.

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I'm looking forward to spring.

Pardon my lack of continuity -
back for a little more of Navy life
here. There are two of us to a room
and believe me that room must
be clean or else... My room-mate
and I alternate as room captain -
which means simply that the room
captain takes it in the neck if a
speck of dust is found in the room,
if the bunks aren't properly made, etc.

① We have "watches" to stand here
just as in the fleet. I got up from a
nice comfortable bed yesterday
morning at 3:10 in order to stand
watch from 4 until reveille. Oh
for the good old days! How soon
do you think it'll be before we re-
turn to them.

(There is daily Mass & Communion
at 4:45 p.m. for ^{us} sailors. I go
when I can, once or twice weekly.)

I saw Danny O'Neil 2 weeks ago
last Sunday and haven't had a
chance to see him since. He wanted
to be remembered to all you folks
back home. He's looking fine & has
put on a bit of weight. Our Navy
life is mild compared to his life -
stoking fuel at 1:15 a.m. among
other things. God luck to him
but he can have it. I value my
freedom too highly.

It's time to "weigh anchor." Remember
me to all my S.P.C. friends, Miss O'Keefe
et al., and of course your impish
sister, and to your mother too.

Sincerely,
Duke