



UNITED STATES NAVY

Dear Mom,

I got the certificate and everything last week. I've been pretty busy and this is the first chance I've had to write and at that I don't have much time.

Yesterday I had liberty and went into Fall River, Mass. From there I went to Lincoln Park New Bedford. I think I told you about it. It's a place like Clementon or Willow Grove. I went with a gang of fellows from my company.

It seems like I know everybody around here. I can't go in a place in Newport or Fall River without meeting somebody I know. I know all the corporals + nurses from the hospital, the guys that used to be patients, all the boys in my old company, and I know everybody in my new company now. Aside from that I constantly run into fellows I knew back in Bainbridge. De Livo has completed his 6 wks of school and expects to get sent up here. The more time I spend here the more I like it. It's almost like Beverly everybody knowing me + me knowing everybody else.

On the seventeenth when the kids graduate I
will have been in exactly 5 months. Remember I
was sworn in Feb. 17. Time really flies.

Those pictures were pretty good. Especially
the one with the refugees & the one with your
stove teeth sticking out.

Well, I guess I'll close now. I'll write
a longer letter when I have more time

Love + Kisses

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