

Camp Ward
November 15, 1942

Dear Mother,

I mailed you a picture yesterday because that was the first chance I had to go to the Post Office. It out [sic] to get there about the same time as this letter. I also sent Jean a little one. Aunt Annie's letter came last night and I answered it and sent her a picture too. None of the pictures that I had taken were very good. The next ones that I have taken I will probably be in my dress uniform. We won't get any more shore liberty until after graduation.

Today we have station liberty. I would like to go mountain climbing but I have a little sore throat and am not going to get out of the barracks any more than is necessary.

[page 2] It hasn't snowed here for several days now. It rained night before last and last night though.

You said that you saw [say] Ray. Has he ever received my letter. [sic] He hasn't answered it if he has. Neither has Joe or James.

There is no way that I can have so much ~~money~~ of my money sent to you from this camp. They haven't the facilities for doing it.

I would have liked to have seen Tom [illegible] He still owes me \$1.50.

I am glad that Julia likes her job and that daddy is O.K.

We have been having some interesting lectures the last few days on sea watches and lookouts, on guns and union things. Most of the men that have been giving them [page 3] know from actual experience. They have been out there. One of them said that there was no better thrill than to get your Jap. Another one said that we had promised [sic] the Japs half of the ocean and that if we did our job and kept on the alert they would get their half. (the bottom half.)

I do not know what I made on my G. C. test. I will probably find out about Wednesday. I don't know when I will find out whether or not I am going to school. Tuesday we have some more tests about thing [sic] that we have had lectures on.

I think that we get another hair cut [sic] Monday sometime.

Your Son,
Tom D