

Keesler Field, Miss.

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Dear Mama,

I got the box Saturday. The candy was O.K. but the cookies were dry. If you ever send more cookies send thicker ones and they won't try out so quick.

I've been here for over four months now but it don't seem so very long. I asked Pra. Hodge about my church membership yesterday. When I joined here I just left it up to them to write for my letter because they said they would. He said he would check up on it and let me know next Sunday.

There sure was a big crowd at church yesterday. A man came and made a picture of congregation. I'm going to try to get one of them. I was close to the front.

I went home with Mrs. Pates and had a fair time and a good dinner. We went down to the church to go to the old soldiers home but we didn't hae but car so I didn't go. I left and went to the show.

I got in from church at 9:58 and went to bed. They didn't get us up until 9:30 this morning. Today is Army day but I don't guess I will know any difference. There is going to be a big parade in Biloxi but I won't get to see it or be in it.

I will have about two more Sundays here then I will leave. They might make an instructor out of me and leave me here but I will probably be sent somewhere else. I might not be able to let you know where I go so don't worry if you go several weeks without hearing from me. I will write as soon as I can.

We had to turn in two of our summer close [sic] because there was a shortage. We can't wear them yet anyway. These woools close [sic] sure are hot. It hasn't rained for a week or longer and the hot sun beams down sure is hot.

Well I guess the meeting has started back there now. I don't know if they ever have one here or not. They haven't said anythang [sic] about one.

I just got back from mail call and I got your card and letter and the church paper. Tell more about the new field they are going to have back there. What kind is it going to be and when will it be finished. They are going to put a new camp close to here. They sure need one. Last night at the Fellowship service, they had everyone to tell what their home church had done for them. There wasn't many that had anythang [sic] to say.

This church has a game room and library. They have a church hostess that stays there all the time. If the Immanuel would do something for the soldiers there are a few of them might come to church there. I know it would pay to do what they do here because there isn't many soldiers but if they get a new field there I think they alright to do something.

Norman