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Dear Betty, Doug & Alan.

U. S. ARMY AIR CORPS
MAXWELL FIELD, ALA.

I am sending to you another Pre-flight magazine. This one is the one our class had charge of. Don't look for my picture, because it isn't in. and there are no pictures of any dances in it.

I think Dow Field is an operations field. an operations field is a training field for pilots that have been commissioned but need practice in combat tactics and maneuvers. That is where the crews are organized and get their practice together. They must work as a team. I hope I can make one of those teams in time to get in on the big game in Europe.

That was a tough break about Doug's summer job. I should think the change would have been a good thing. Not to mention the extra change. (money)

That book, "The Raft" sounds like a good book. But, as a cadet we don't have much time to read books. I did see a picture that I wanted to. It was, "My Friend, Glicka." It was quite different from the book. Did you see it read the book? The photography and scenery is beautiful. It makes you forget everything.

I don't know whether I told you or not, but we are going to Jackson, Tenn. for our primarys Training. By this time next week, we should have a few hours flying time.

I don't know what I want for my birthday. But I do like surprises. I have a knife at home. so far, I've found no use for one.

Yes, we have plenty to do except dance. They had a dance last Saturday night. Ina Ray Hutton, and her band was here. I didn't go. None of these women down here bother me.



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Now, it is a pretty good idea to buy bonds. I don't know what I'll have after this thing is over. as for the insurance, they give us a \$10,000 policy as long as we are cadets. when we graduate, we have to pay for it ourselves. It is very reasonable then. Around \$6.83 per month. That is pretty good for \$10,000.

Don't worry too much about my score with a pistol. The machine gun and the bomb is what I'll get those Mijs and Majis with.

Mather told me that Fran lost another one. Perhaps it is better at that. I would go nuts with all of those kids around.

It is getting pretty close to the hour of departure. It must be a grand feeling. I wish I was going on a furlough. Two months of Pre-flight is plenty.

Man, the zombies don't even have to eat at attention any more.

I have to close now. we are having competitive Guard Mount for the Corps Champ. I hope we win.

Sots of Love,
Frank.