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Hi gang:

I wish I could complain about the cold weather, and the snow being three feet deep but I can't. The weather down here is plenty hot. Every day it hits 90 and boy do we sweat. Not only from the heat but from the work. Hot, too, hot, four.

You were right about the strawberries down here, we have them two or three times a week. It seems as though the only dessert they have is strawberries or in cream.

Why didn't you take Alan to the beer party? I bet he would be a devil with a beer under his belt. He is devilish enough sober.

Didn't I tell you that Pres. Roosevelt was here? we paraded for him on his visit here. His car stopped about 30 ft. in front of our Squadron, and I was in the second row of our Squad. so I got a good view of him. He didn't say anything, no speech. They also had an air show for him. About 200 trainers were flying in formation at about 1000 ft. what a thrill.

What goes on in Orono? Is another fire-bug on the loose? First wingate then a frat house.

You tell Mr. Hamlin that nothing would phase ^{me} more than to come up to Maine and to chop down a tree. That state got in my blood when I was there. How do wish I were there now.

Did you go to the ROTC inspection? I can't see anything thrilling about an inspection. But I guess ROTC is different.

We are now upperclassmen, so no more rat-line or other things like that. Man that it is all over, I miss the fun.



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I sent a Pre-flight Magazine to you today. That will explain the zombie life and all about Pre-flight. Just think in another month, I get to fly. we go to Primary about the first of June. I have been waiting for that for a year and a half.

we finally got an open post last weekend. so I went in to see Montgomery. It is a pretty nice town, but after looking at nothing but G.I. stuff for two months, I guess anything civilian would look good. I was supposed to have open post next Sunday, but I drew guard duty. wouldn't that burn you up.

Tomorrow we are supposed to go up in the high altitude chambers. They take us up to 28,000 ft. That is they have the same conditions as occur at 28,000 ft. But we never leave the ground. Of course we have oxygen masks so everything will be OK.

In Doug's aircraft Rec. class, do they have enemy planes? we had a few, but not many.

Have to go to sleep now. I've been waiting for this since I got up.

Lots of Love,
Frank