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Dearest Robert,

As I write this, I can only wonder if you'll ever get. I found your address in the Hamlin paper & it probably wasn't all there. Anyway here I go again. I wrote you several times through your old A.P.O. # but they are being returned all along. I also got a Christmas card back the other day.

It is more like December than March. A Norther came up last nite & is still here. In fact, it is so cold Dad has the water cut off. I guess that is "Texas Weather" for you.

Do you remember Joelle Burrough? You went to school with her at Tarleton. Anyway she married a Lt. New Years Eve & he has been sent overseas. Guess she'll be home before long. I he met him in Stephenville where she was working. She was a stenographer there at the college. She knew him about a month. Another was marriage.

The new class only has 183 cadets. Quite a cut from the others of 230. They get younger all the time. Iannah & I met them & find they're only 18 or 19. She then turns up our noses. Aren't we mean? I'll entertain them, but darned if I'll

raise them! You know facts of life & so on.
The classes are supposed to get larger now.

One of the old buildings, where the gym
used to be, has been made a ~~theater~~
theater, with picture shows & entertainment on
Friday Nites. One of the officers said it
was a Necking party. The wives & girls all
go out & I guess they really have a time.
They make them either go to the show or
stay in the barracks as they caught too
Couples around the buildings.

Hannah is just saying how she hates to
get old. She'll be 25 next month. We've
decided to stay this age. Wish we could.

Last month a scared cadet stepped
out of his plane calling for help. An
officer walked up to him, saluted & said
"What is up?" The cadet said "My instructor
fell out of the plane." Soon the instructor, Andrew-
son, came in carrying his chute. He said
they were doing a loop & his sleeve caught
on the safety belt & he tumbled out. The
funny part was that he had on his
glove & had to take it off in mid-air
before he could pull the cord. I wonder
if you have had an experience similar
to this.

I wonder a lot & guess I'll wait a
long time before everything is cleared

up. I wonder how much will be censored & so on. If this isn't returned I'll keep writing, as you probably can't write me. I wrote your mother & she didn't answer my letter. Probably too busy.

My brother is in the Navy now. He writes us almost every day. He is sure Mother's boy. Did you know him? He has finished his boot training & will get to come home, perhaps before long.

Robert, I hardly know what to write & am making a poor attempt at this. I do hope you get it & write me if you can. With my sincerest wishes for seeing you soon, my regards and



Lots of love
Ida Mae
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