



UNITED STATES AIR FORCES

Sims Hall
April 21, 1943

Dear Ann

You should have received or will receive the surprise that I promised you. I hope you like it.

Received your card telling me of Red Carter's change of address. Do you think that you could get his new address so that I could drop him a line.

Not much happening here. Weather has been so rotten here that we hardly ever get to fly. I now have seven hours. I don't think I will be able to get my full ten hours because there are a lot of other boys that have to get some time before May 8.

As for the money, I did indulge in a little crap game but the luck of the Irish held up for once.

I had a letter from Patricia today. She says that Mom bought some more chicks so I guess the Donnelly's are returning to the soil.

As for my not being a student officer, some guys have got it and some guys haven't got it. I haven't got it. I told you that I wasn't interested in commissions of any kind. I just want to become a pilot and I'll be happy. I envy Ann's brother having his girl come to see him more than I do the Cadet Sergeant.

You're getting to be quite the jive fan aren't you? Horace Heidt's band is improving a lot but I still don't think he is in the



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same class as James, Dorsey, Barnett, Miller
and a few others. I'm listening to Tommy
Dorsey right now.

There hasn't been much happening here
lately so I won't write much.

Tell Paul ~~and~~ and the kids I send my
regards.

Ed