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My dear Aunt Em:

Just a word or two, to you to-night, to let you know that I am in the best of spirits, and am enjoying perfect health. One thing, though, is giving me considerable trouble. My letters keep coming in so rapidly, now, that I find it impossible, to keep up with them. I know that you will excuse me for not writing, more often, and I am going to ask you to try to explain matters, to the rest. During the past week, I have received about a dozen letters. All of which I am very anxious to answer, but owing to lack of time, will have to postpone that pleasure. For example, last Wednesday morning, I went on duty at four A.M., and though it was a half holiday, I had to work until after nine, that night. Now as the following day, was a station

holiday, the boys were in very high spirits, and just had one grand rough-house, which lasted untill mid-night. Well, the morning came, and, being a "holiday" most of the boys rested, (in one way or another) but yours truly, had to go to work. Well I got to the hangar at 7 A.M. Thursday morning, and left it on Friday morning, at 5³⁰. Some days work, I'll say. There were two "busses" which were unserviceable, and which had to be "in condition" this morning. One of the boys had my blankets, all spread for me, so that when I reached the tent, all I had to do was "flop." (which I did, in great style). Well, I slept about all day, and am now allready to go on "at 4-A.M. tomorrow.

We signed the payroll this morning, so so sometime, within the next month we expect to get paid.

Love and best wishes to all.

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