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Camp Crowder, Mo.
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Dear Dr. Anderson:

There isn't very much news from here that isn't restricted - just a line to give you an idea of what is going on with the Boynton's. I regret that I haven't been more of a correspondent but I always hope to have some definite progress to report and the progress was a little confused this time. After leaving Mississippi we were in Atlanta for some time, then sent to Chicago. About the time I got comfortably settled in school up there, they pulled a load of us out for active service; back to Atlanta. Gruenewald wasn't very well and went over to her mother's home in North Carolina.

I got a couple of weeks furlough with her and then to Fort Bragg for processing, thence here; replacement training center. We only have about 4 weeks' basic here - the camp trains ERC's and specialists, both for their basic and in some advanced subjects, all Signal Corps. Quite a few of the boys who qualify are shipped elsewhere for their advanced training; I am at present assigned to be shipped to another camp for Radar study, and hope that will work out within a couple of weeks - I still have one week of Basic to finish.

This is a pretty busy routine - we're literally at it every minute except for Sundays, and housekeeping + laundry catch up with us then so all things considered, it's pretty steady. The exercise is doing me a lot of good - I got pretty soft in radio school and it hurts but it comes more easily every day. I'm getting in good shape pretty rapidly and glad of it. Haven't had any arguments with liquor - the busier they

keep me the better I get along.

Reports from Geneva are not too good. We had been hoping for an addition to the family but the poor kid had a miscarriage just after I left for Fort Bragg and I gather had a very bad time of it. She is up and around a little now but still pretty weak in the knees. She is very anxious to get herself a job when she gets back into circulation again, and has spoken of going to Jacksonville - her brother and his wife live there - as there is no demand for draftsmen in the Carolinas. They seem to still be making a good living from furniture & hosiery there and aren't unduly upset about the war.

Quite a few boys with whom I went to school in Tallahassee were around camp when I got here but most of them have gone away for advanced training. Most of them seemed glad to get out of school and into the army but I suspect there's a lot of difference in viewpoint before & after completing four weeks' basic. Wish I could have stayed in school myself but they are closing that program down pretty rapidly and withdrawing boys who are near the end of their reserve period. No good worrying about it now, anyway.

Can't tell just how long this address will obtain, but Geneva, at 509 Jones St., High Point, N.C., will always reach me. Would be very glad to hear from you.

Meantime, will be in there trying.

Sincerely,

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