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DEAR MR. EICHE,

I WISH TO THANK YOU AND AUC FOR THE LETTER AND THE COPY OF THE COLLEGIAN, RECEIVED SOME TIME AGO. AS YOU CAN SEE, I CAN FALL DOWN PRETTY BADLY SOMETIMES WHEN IT COMES TO ANSWERING LETTERS, BUT I NEARLY ALWAYS GET AROUND TO IT SOONER OR LATER.

I AM STILL AT THE SAME PLACE, WITH NO IMMEDIATE PROSPECTS OF MOVING. THINGS ARE IMPROVING A LITTLE HERE: MORE THINGS AT THE P.X., LITTLE BETTER WEATHER, ETC. WE MOVED INTO NEW QUARTERS RECENTLY TO BE NEARER OUR WORK. THE NEW ARRANGEMENT HAS SOME DISADVANTAGES, BUT ALTOGETHER I LIKE IT A LOT BETTER.

IF YOU CAN GET HOLD OF THE APRIL 8 EDITION OF COLLIER'S YOU WILL FIND AN ARTICLE THAT TELLS A LOT ABOUT THE FUNCTION OF A.A.C.S. THERE IS ALSO A MAGAZINE FOR RADIO AMATEURS, QST. A RECENT EDITION, FEBRUARY I THINK, HAS A COUPLE ARTICLES ABOUT A.A.C.S. THAT ARE

PRETTY GOOD. YOU MAY HAVE TROUBLE GETTING HOLD OF THIS MAGAZINE THOUGH, AS IT IS ONE THAT IS NOT READ BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

AS FOR MY TRAVELS, THERE AREN'T ANY JUST AT PRESENT. THE WAY THINGS STAND NOW, I HAVE ABOUT TEN MORE MONTHS TO SWEAT OUT IN THIS GOD-FORSAKEN PART OF THE WORLD. OF COURSE, HOWEVER, NOTHING IS EVER DIFINITE IN THE ARMY.

THERE WAS A U.S.O. SHOW HERE RECENTLY, WITH THREE GIRLS IN IT. THEY WERE WHAT IS REFERRED TO AS "OLD BAGS", BUT THEN UP HERE YOU HAVE TO TAKE WHAT YOU CAN GET AND CONSIDER YOURSELF LUCKY. IF YOU SEE A WOMAN EVERY THREE MONTHS YOU ARE DOING EXCELLENT.

THAT ARTICLE, "THE CHEMISTRY OF WO" IS OK.

NOT MUCH MORE NEWS THAT WILL PASS THE ALL-SEEING EYE OF THE CENSOR. KEEP 'EM FOOING!

BEST OF EVERYTHING,

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