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Dear Miss Sally,

At last a couple of hours to catch up on some letters. I am beginning to understand what is meant by the old saying "a womens work is never done." The other fellows living here with me have given me all the house work to do since I work at night and can't wash the dinner dishes so it takes all my spare time just cleaning house. With this training I will sure make a swell wife for some lucky girl someday.

That little newspaper you are publishing is the greatest idea to come out of Arlington in many a year. I believe there has been more news packed into the three issues you have sent me than in all the letters I have received since I left Arlington. I am afraid I will have a hard time paying the subscription price since I am almost out of touch with the principle of "42." I'll do my best however since I really enjoy the publication.

I am in the midst of a struggle with the army right now. Local Board No. 1 Arlington Virginia seems to think I should be in uniform with a salary of \$50 per month. The fourth fighter command and the CAA seem to think I should stay where I am. The draft board has classified me 1-A and called me for preintroduction physical exam. I told Anchorage about it and they said to request transfer to Kodiak while they fight it out in Washington. I haven't heard anything new for a couple of weeks now so I may be practically in uniform or definitely deferred. It makes little difference to me as to what the final decision is. I do wish they would hurry up and tell me about it though.

The mail service is getting to be pretty poor up here now. Last summer we were getting letters by air mail in four or five days. Now it takes two to three weeks from Arlington. I think that is mostly due to the weather. Sometimes it closes in for two weeks at a stretch. We have rain at least once a day, and snow once in a while, the snow never stays on the ground more than a week. It never gets very cold.

Well my times about up. I go to work in about fifteen minutes and still have a little work to do at home. Write soon.

LeRoy

