



13TH COAST ARTILLERY
FORT BARRANCAS, FLORIDA

Battery M
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Dear Sam & Cecil

Please accept humble apologies, I sent out that first letter to you the Saturday after the Friday I arrived here and I don't know why it took so long to reach you. If you don't know why I felt that way, I will explain. It seems that I have been going up to meet all mail calls since I arrived here. Mail calls are twice a day, and up to today I had received a grand total of one letter from home. It seems that most of the other fellows were receiving five and six a day, from people that they hadn't even written to, so naturally I felt kind of bad, I'm O.K. now though, I received three in tonight's mail call. Also it seems to like I jumped on you everywhere one of the fellows got something from home. Therefore the cards — I apologize again

Enough for that, How are you Cecil and Arthur, So far I am still in quarantine and will be for a while yet. It seems like one of the fellows in the next battery caught a case of the mumps

so we will be in for at least another week, therefore
no pictures yet. Also all pictures must be censored.
I expect to get another haircut in next week. My hair is
kind of long again - at least an inch and a half in front.

You don't know Pensacola. If you think it
is ideal, look it up. In the summer it goes up to
110° and it is very damp. In fact it is as bad as the tropics.

This coast artillery barracks also is no snap, as
I have found out already. We have about three hrs. of
lectures and instruction a day. I think that it would be a

lot easier in the air corps as a cadet. We have to know
as much about wind velocity and azimuth etc. as a pilot.
It seems that this is a packed bunch. Now I got in I don't
know. We have quite a few college grads here and
most of the fellows ~~are~~ have high school. We all find
it equally as hard. Besides that we have to take
infantry drill.

Well I might go out in a few minutes and better
close now.

Regards and love to all

Harry.

P.S. I received a letter from Eddie today.

P.P.S. Please excuse the writing I am writing this
in bed.

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Please answer soon

Harry