

Nov. 8, 1944

Dear Hank,

Received your card and have been wondering how in hell you broke your thumb, but as long as it wasn't your arm you can still write, then again as long as you had to break something why wasn't it a cherry.

There must be quite a few "Eager Beavers" down there. What is Endres doing there? If you see him again ask him what happened to Atridge, we heard he got killed by a 20 mm.

Have you heard from W. H.
yet, or any news about Howard?

I lost my friend Cole
yesterday they shipped him to
Sheppard Field yesterday. I
don't know why but he is
going to write and let me
know. They were pretty well
pissed off at him here, first
he wanted to fly, then got
grounded and just when they
had him broke in on the D/F
station he quit and wanted
on flying status but that
had nothing to do with his
shipping out because there
were over 40 men on his
shipping orders.

I may get to see you some of these days Hank, I was in St Louis last week was also in Denver and wish I would have known then that Mike was there. I get to go all over and haven't flown with anyone but majors so far. I'm through with ground school and when there is a cross country flight it's always an entire veteran crew. There is one scheduled for Dyersburg tomorrow and one to Detroit the next day but I'm not eager to go on anymore, it's getting too cold.

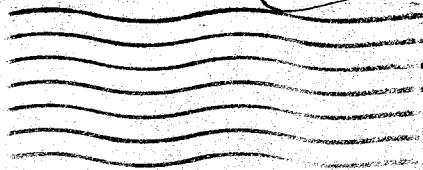
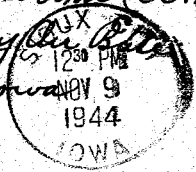
I don't do much around here.

This is really a nice base though
and the town is pretty big and
the people are swell. I would
just as soon sweat out the
duration here but am constantly
reminded that the war for me
isn't over. Almost every day I
am asked if I would like to get
on a crew and I guess you know
what I tell them, but I'm afraid
they will get me eventually and
it will most likely be, B & 9.

Well Hank, must wind
this up so Cheerio
and write when you can

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