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Dear Frank,

I was very surprised to hear from you but glad. How did you find out my address?

How are you doing? Is the course going any easier? Let me know.

I'm trying to write this a take a crap at the same time so you will find it hard to read probably.

Everything is O.K. here. I haven't started school yet and won't for two more weeks. This place, Navy Pier, is not very good for living quarters but the school is supposed to be good. The food is lousy and the barracks are crowded and damp.

The liberty is fairly good. 3 right a week. And Chicago is a swell liberty town.

There are 5 to 10 girls for every serviceman there. There are more servicemen's centers and U.S.O.s than we need and we can do lots of things free. The S.P. & officers are pretty thick there, though. Navy Pier is just about 10 minutes from the main drags of Chicago.

We have a couple small aircraft carriers anchored just off Navy Pier. The Glenview Naval Airfield uses them for landing practice.

We also have a large barge and 20 to 40 planes of all types that the fellows work on.

There really isn't much more to say this time as every day is like the day before.

Write and let me know a thing or two.

A shipmate & friend
Roger F.