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Dear Mother,

I got the letter from Westinghouse. It was an offer to take an exam for a scholarship to any college I wanted. It was based on a test that we took at Billard last year. According to the letter I must have been fairly high on the list. But it doesn't make any difference now.

My Calculus and Physics are all right now but I'm going around in circles trying to keep up with all the history reports etc. When you try to go through 500 yrs of world history in 36 lessons your really traveling.

Last week I got a good bathrobe with a blue cord and everything. It really is a good one. I think I'll get another uniform soon if I can find the money someplace.

We are finally getting rid of the reserves  
and spars. The last classes in  
both groups enter Feb. 8. That  
means that there will be lots of room  
for a big 4th. class next yr. I'll  
probably be a 3rd classman again  
because I'm in the lower half of  
the class. According to scuttle but  
only half of us are to be made second  
classmen. Going back to the 4 yr.  
plan.

My new room is 205. one of my  
roommates is the Frenchman who  
didn't know whether he was a  
citizen or not. He speaks French.  
Writes all his letters in French and  
even thinks and curses in French.  
The latter is handy because no one can  
report him for profanity. He is a  
great help to me in translation.

David

P.S. Have you made any plans for going west  
this spring. We get the 3rd week in  
March.