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Don't want you to come

for night and the night I
can't tonight because I picked
up this letter at the No. 5 station
to write on as I ride back
to Haverhill.

Been in the city
this am. To keep an
appointment with Lieut. Murray
called him up yesterday and
he promised to see me.

Today.

Will be about the thing
over and I imagine this
the camp at Specimens is
for fellows from 18 to
24 years of age. That
therefore, would be most
he said tho' that the navy
is now working on a plan

for a new training school, where order, filled with college education, and other qualifications such as military training etc. would be taught (aviation).

This service will be the Naval Reserve. A fellow enrolls as a recruit for four years during which time he must serve three months ^{only} in camp, except, of course, when the needs of war demand him.

Just now I am instructed to sit tight for two weeks. As that time I sent Murray will write me telling what is up. Roberts suggested that we look up the arsenal works together, and perhaps we shall do that.

Some time this morning
This winter. Thousands of
was some thing of a sort, and
and really I don't know,
and for a fellow of my age,
and conditions to jump in,
and by golly I am as satisfied
as the rest of you. The
President hasn't asked for
volunteers - except that the
regular army and navy be
brought up to war strength,
when he does, and Johnnie
can see he needs 'em, and
when he can know too, that
his own girl Katie will see
him soon, and that his
folks will be landed in
then he'll go into it, and
by Johnna he'll fight!!! x
That's a long tale about
the war isn't it. But gee
that's all we talk and think

here.

Sonlight singing society, and
I am going to see the
Prince of Wales - the
president of the German
club is giving and the one
I didn't go to because
it cost too much money.
It'll be good too, I think, I
only am wondering if a
Gute Nacht piece with its
"Heres to the land which
gave me birth - heres to
the flag we fly" sung
by German students, will
score a large hit.

Have a date, too, at

5 o'clock to meet a singing
teacher. Lats going today -
and its made me think
about whether I'm neglecting
my work. We've had rotten

weather. Since then, say last
Friday & Saturday it rained
beautifully - abundant & very
pleasant but cold. Yesterday
was bright & dry with a couple
of inches of snow - and
now today things are
working around to normal
again. But selling things
during these times is
hard business - especially
for me. It's hard to talk
hot summer days, and the
need of an "all gas" kitchen
with a new range and a
hot water heater, when peo-
ple are huddled around the
kitchen stove trying to
keep warm. They're afraid
to buy too, because they
don't know when husbands
and fathers will be called

to war, or else being
wounded and sent. And by
the shed for the gun.
Looking up and just
now some 12 or 15 hundred
those letters are out of the
the best I know how to do
is to keep a plugging, only
I'll have to plug twice as
hard to make up lost time.

I'm pretty near home
now - I've talked to you
for nearly an hour. Hope
you will have something to
say for yourself when I get
home this evening. Didn't
hear a word from you yes-
terday and it was Monday
too. Wonder if our letters
are being censored. See

would be a ~~very~~ good time with them. But
we won't shut him out
because, being sure that
if the passengers might
excuse it now, it need be
somewhat careful.

You know what I want
to say to Sweetie, and
you know how I'd say it,
and how I'd punctuate every
other word if I could tell
it to your own ears. I'm
doing all those things now
thinking them in my heart,
wishing for them to come
quickly, and praying that
when they do come we
can be the happiest couple
there ever was. We have
it in us Sweetie - God bless
S.T. (Um-)

now I leave you alone
for just a moment. Like
the dark place on the
races at the park in
Berkeley. Un - now.

I'm kissing awful hard.

xxxxxx Love you xxxxxxxx