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Dear Mummy & Sis,

Sundays here again already.
How the weeks do hit past.
It really seems no time from
Sunday to Sunday, and I don't
mind a bit because these
short weeks make up the
period of the war - and those
we want to be short.

Took a cold Sunday - couldn't
talk Monday - coughed all
Tuesday - better Wednesday -
all cured now. But I was
scared of it.

Got my first mail today
but it was all local. My

mileage came from Paris, and a couple of pairs of glasses from England. I broke mine on the boat, and had left a broken pair with Ruth. So when we that we had a few days in Eng. I took them to be fixed and also have another pair made. Had to leave tho' before they were finished and it's only now that I'm getting them. They are cheap in England.

Last night we had an excellent chance to meet the Signal Corps. The whole list, nearly, of this 1st Army Corps met in a town a few miles from here for a reunion. Some came right up from the front and everyone was there from



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the Colonel down, and we made merry, talked shop, and got well acquainted. The spirit in the Corps is great - big, enthusiastic, brainy men, and their hearts are in the job. And how proud they are that they are the 1st Corps - the boys who lead the way. That's the way to feel about a dirty job - start it early - hit it hard, and soon it's all done.

Today is a beautiful one - and we've had many such these two weeks. The airplanes are making the best of it

too for practice. One day we saw eleven in the sky at once. There is a training camp close to here.

We probably ^{will} only be here another week and then perhaps be assigned to jobs, and I'll be glad for something definite to do. Here I've been drawing pay from our old Uncle for nearly six months, and have done no useful work yet, and it's getting a bit irksome.

Maybe before next Sunday I'll have a bit of mail from the States. Gosh it will be welcome, 'cause I can't help wondering what is happening.

So long - people lots of love to you all - and please send Bert's address soon.