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Dear Miss McGlynn and Repin C.D.C,

Whom It May Concern,

And I said the army was tough! You should just sit with me now; no K.P. guard duty or what have you. No more southern U.S.O fellow but honest to goodness, American "Co Eds", just writing to be dated.

Well here I am in Syracuse, N.Y., only there hundred miles from home. There is ready a beautiful racket, I live in an apartment with other fellows, go to class, eat in the college cafeteria, and date coeds. Pretty so if I say.

I really don't have a bed of roses though I for have a pretty stuff (1) schedule. I have algebra, physics, chemistry and trig three times a week, and history (American), English, and geography twice a week. So you see I will have quite a lot of studying to do. The accelerated program here memmes that we cover in three months what the ordinary civilian class would cover in a semester.

The campus is fairly large and now it is very beautiful for all the grounds, buildings, and tress are covered with a thin coating of snow. The school is located on a hill just outside the center of the city, and there are buses with adequate service either to take a student to the other side of the campus or to town.

I received the interesting better about what is happening to all though ex students from Salem and it seems (2) rather ironical that I should have the privilege of going back to school, while they who were and are much better students than I'll ever think of being are doing all the work. I wonder what some of the hids who need to call me 4 f last year will think when they hear where I am now? They can't say I'm 4 F but neither can I be classes as a soldier in the strict use of the word.

It seems that my remarks about the mail situation are bringing results however there is still room for improvement for which I express my appreciation.

Sincerely yours,
Joe Allen