



UNITED STATES ARMY AIR FORCES  
CHANUTE FIELD, ILLINOIS

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Dear Grandma,

Here it is may and we may wear our summer uniforms if we wish. They are a tan cotton shirt & trousers & cap & we can wear a flight jacket if it gets a little cool. I have worn my shirt some with my O.D.'s (olive drabs) but haven't had my sun-tans (summer uniforms) on yet. They look good when new but after a few washings they look more like work clothes.

The weather is rather funny here. There has been lots of rain storms and the day may be nice & clear & warm in the morning and at night be cold stormy & miserable or vice versa and all sorts of combinations in between times. Anyway I guess it is better than a lot of fields and it is nice to be where I can get off & see a few things. I have been to Chicago twice and I really enjoyed myself both times. I spent a lot of time in the Field museum and the ~~the~~ Rosenwald

museum and also at the service  
men's centers. Also I saw quite a  
bit of Chicago but I wouldn't  
want to live there. Everyone  
is nice to men in uniform. We  
ride the buses in Chicago free  
and can stay at the service  
men's center free besides all the  
tickets to & entertainment and  
refreshments you could imagine.  
It is sure different in the Army  
plenty of everything you want with  
not much to remind one of rationing.

In fact it is a good thing for  
the soldier to get out & see what  
the people are going through for  
us to have what we need.

I hope you folks are all well  
and that the garden is coming  
fine. I sure miss all of you &  
hope I will get to see you soon.

Tell Charlie and family hello &  
all the rest of my friends. Tell  
Charlie that Pay day here isn't like at  
the plant. I have been paid twice  
and the last time I drew \$26.67 for  
a months time. Still that is pretty  
good. There are lots of card games & lots  
of money change hands. I'm sure glad  
I don't gamble. Love to all of you  
and I'll try to write again soon  
Your loving grandson, Jean

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