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Dear Mom

This is the most amazing thing I have ever experienced. Our company is made up of 17 year old kids like Stuart and for out of men 38 to 45 years old. We are considered equal to them in every respect.

We are beginning to learn to march now. We must also know the semaphore alphabet by Friday, plus the eleven rules for guards on duty.

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Our C. P. O. just informed  
us that we have a test to  
take tomorrow of some sort.

We have only been here  
three days and already we are  
getting tan and beginning to  
look like old salts.

Stuart is here beside me  
writing a letter to ~~his~~ dad.

Well I have to line up  
for show now so this is  
all for now.

Love,  
Jim

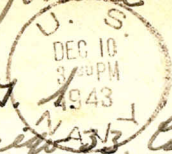
P.S. Please share this with  
Aunt Hope and all the rest as  
we haven't much time. I will try  
to write to them soon. J. P.

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