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Dear Alfred,-

You've been getting the Dartmouth right along so I won't waste a lot of time telling what has been going on up here lately. The big issue is "What is going on down at that Troop B armory?" When are they going to be called out? When I was down there they said it would be in between a week and three weeks and so it is about time they got around to it. I'm beginning to think that they will not be called out at all.

There is a persistent rumor here that from now on all cavalry will be dismounted. In that case I can't see going in on it. I almost feel like a slacker sticking up here when every one else is packing up and hitting out. For Heaven's sake write and give me some definite knowledge as to when the troop is to be called out and what it is to do then. If it is not to occur soon I will pack up and join something else. It's almost impossible to get in on the misquito fleet now anywhere. One of our freshmen is up here on a short leave of absence from Newport and tells of the wonderful time they are having down there. The drill up here is doing me a lot of good and building me up but I am restless to be up and doing something. All the seniors that have had any military training have left for the training camps leaving the companies here in command of Plattsburg freshmen or sophomores. This officers' training camp is a fine stunt but is practically restricted to seniors and only those of military experience. I don't understand what Mother said in her last letter--something of your trying to get into one of these officers' training camps.

Really that would be practically impossible, for you are not a college senior nor have you had any military experience.

So you received word from New Haven did you? Jack Holt is waiting to get his call. I don't like to butt into your affairs too much, but I think you would be foolish to pass up this misquito fleet business. The fellows in it consider it a wonderful experience, and that is just what you need before leaving home for college. You miss all prep school experience and this misquito fleet business would be a good ~~experience~~ substitute. So think it over more than once before you throw it over for an idea of getting into Plattsburg, which is impossible.

All Street came around tonight and told me that he has just got funds and permission from his folks to go to France. They all seem to be leaving. Dusty's roommate is going over and is trying to get him enthused, and now that Dusty is worrying as to whether he will be kept out of the cavalry on account of his poor eyes, he is thinking quite seriously of going over. I wish you would talk Mother and Dad that I want to go myself and see if you can't talk them into letting me do it.

It is absolutely unequalled for experience-- you can find all about it from the recent issues. Tell them that I can probably get the funds from some alumnus through the President's secretary if they will allow me to join the thing. Two units of 22 have already left college to meet in New York next <sup>week</sup> to sail, and a third unit is all ~~ready~~ but complete.

Do this for me, will you?

I was assistant on the issue Thursday and we did not leave the press until 4.15 in the morning. We could read the paper as we walked up the street before turning in. However I made it up this morning-- slept until almost eleven as I had only one class. I am sending an issue of the Bema featuring my article. Fa ta, Sherm.