Dear Essie,

Today, I received some more mail, but as I have to get up at 7 A.M. tomorrow, am not going to write much now. The letters were from you, Mrs. Nangle, and Ch. Three clandy letters, and I surely enjoyed them, even if I had to hold the letter in one hand, and turn a nut on a bolt with the other while reading some, unless I wanted to postpone reading it. We are rest on the pump all right, but don’t mind it, as we are all enjoying perfect health. This week, I am on the morning shift. That is, get up at 4 A.M. and work until 11 A.M. Then we have chow and attend school in the afternoon. Next week, I will be on the afternoon shift. Get up at 6:15 A.M. drill till 7. Breakfast, and then a rest, and some more school till 12 M. Go to work at 1:15 P.M. and work until
we are through. That is the shift we do not like, as it is often 1 or 2 in the morning before we pull. Tomorrow afternoon, I'll try and get a couple of letters home, so we'll close now with lots of love for all.

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P.S. We all are looking forward to a very great privilege, to be granted soon.

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18th May 1940.
Soldier's Letter.

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