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My dear Cecil:

I see your letter of Nov. 18th but we started out on the 9th of Dec. and have been on our hike out of France into Luxembourg and into Luxembourg and are only stopped now for a day rest or so. I think tomorrow we move on. We are close to the German border now. God. Cecil, but this is a beautiful little country. I sure will tell you all about it when I get back.
It has been an easy march, because it has been thru such interesting country. I've been in three countries now and the capitals of two of them. We marched thru Luxembourg city a few days ago. Those roads and beautiful drives thru the cities and forests, you can hardly imagine such a place. So old and with a castle occasionally to set it off. And the whole country is as neat, clean & well kept as the average front yard. Roads winding up the side of these great hills like a letter S. One place the road bounds down the side of a hill and thru a building and on down thru one of the most beautiful valleys you ever looked out over. Every place you can see the touch of the hand, even in the forests - for the undergrowth is all cleared out. It is not a natural beauty so much as a clean well kept beauty. Hills are terraced and gardens on them. Every place available is used to produce something. I'm glad to know you are getting started back to school again. And be sure to do as you were about you
music - for I am sure I will give you a chance to make use of all your practice.

I seen Ruby's letter too. Enjoy it very much. Am sorry I will not get to answer it now and have no idea when I will.

So Freda is married. Can hardly believe it.

Well I imagine it will be longer than you imagine before I get home. I hope I can get to a place where I can write more soon. For I hate to send such a little bit. Hoping you a merry Xmas & a happy New Year. I am as ever yours -

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