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OFFICER CANDIDATE  
JAMES C. QUEEN

5th Company  
3rd Student Training Regiment  
Fort Benning, Ga.

13 January 1946  
Sunday Evening  
Time 5:00

Dear Dr. Tate,

Well, here I am back in school but not like I want to be. I am in my Fifth Week of training here in OCS. It is pretty swell at that. We have about 225 men in our class. Three of us are colored, three Chinese and two Porto Ricans and the rest are white fellows. That is the class that we had to start out with. Now it is down to 200 men. Some of them have gotten discharges, some are re-enlisting in the Regular Army and some others are resigning. The work is pretty hard and some more of the men are going to drop out. They really believe in working pretty even though the war is over.

I got a letter from Darrell Gordon last week. He is going to Army University in Honolulu studying math. He said that he liked it very much and was hoping to finish. His outfit has been declared SURPLUS and they are due to be discharged on the 26th of this month. However he says if they don't come back to the States for it he will not get out. Edwin Sizer is a mail clerk in Ft McClellan is waiting like so many other fellows for the point system to go out so that they can start on service. Tyson is one of the fellows here with me. You may remember him; he said that he was one of the fellows to come in right after we left.

As it stands so far I have passed all of my exams but things are due to get tougher as the weeks go on. We had a rough period in physical conditioning yesterday supposedly to separate the men from the boys. Since so many of us are under 20 they lead us a rough life. About 95% of the class is under 20 yrs old.

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YOURS,

JAMES C. QUEEN