

theory of gunnery to the instructors here - they're trying to learn enough about it to teach it, and information is scanty. So goes the army. All this, by the way, is off the record.

It's also a blow to learn I'm confined to the limits of this country for a year instead of six months. I'm not in love with fighting, but while there are air battles going on I'd rather be in them than reading about them. I begin to know how Civil War Veterans feel.

I can't be too grateful for your kindness to me in Lawrence, particularly fixing up that neck of mine. Three days after you gave me the last treatment my neck felt as well as ever, and in spite of a trip of three days and nights in railway coaches I haven't had the least trouble since. You have the touch, Doc.

Best wishes to you and Mrs. Allen, always.

Sincerely,

Bill Howie