

BATTERY "C" 57<sup>th</sup> BN A.A.R.T.C.  
CAMP CALLAN, CALIFORNIA  
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Dear Doc,

I should have written sooner, but I've been very busy learning the manual forms, use of rifle, machine gun, bayonet and 37 mm. cannon etc.

As you probably have heard I was sent "west" to learn to be nuisance to the Japs by giving 'em hell with the ack-ack gun. The battery I was put in is a special training battery in which only men who made high enough to apply for officers training are in. So I feel very fortunate to be in such a select group. I only hope I can come through and be sent to officers training school. We are to have 8 weeks of basic training and then 4 weeks of prep-training for officers training school. That is all of us who make the grade. We have to pass a trigonometry test and another