

Boston, Mass.
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Dear "Doc":

Just a line to let you know that my leave did not permit me to visit Lawrence; I was able to visit my father in Michigan. I was greatly disappointed in this turn of events, but my only hope is to look forward to another leave which will permit the trip to Lawrence -- I hope the next one is not two years in the offing.

My new duty assignment is on the staff of the Supply School here at Harvard. I feel greatly handicapped in not having had any practical experience, but since my orders read thus I will perform my duty to the best of my ability. It will be quite a strain and far from the active duty I so desired, but it is not for us to say. Many K.U. boys are back here so our school is well represented in persons and on record.

As things progress I will keep you posted. Your interest and friendly notes are greatly appreciated; may the time be short till we can meet again as in the "old" days. Sincerely,

William H. Shannon.

P.S. Kindly remember me to our mutual friends. I understand K.U. is looking for a dean of the School of Engineering -- time and circumstances play peculiar tricks.