

Tuesday
Feb. 15, 1944.

Dear George,

In your card to me you say "a long time you no write" - you're right - it's even longer now. However I've been in a blizzard. Since writing you last the children came down with "Scarlet Fever", a siege of six weeks. This ran Syd ragged and she was gripped by the "Grippe". The children at the present time are acquainting us with "Chicken Pox" - of three weeks duration. And what with getting home a little after seven, then having dinner, dishes, glancing at the paper and showering - well never a dull moment; no rest for the weary, etc.

I spoke to Florence the other night and I can honestly say that you can rest assured where Flo's and Jimmy's well being is concerned. Of course Flo misses you however she seems to have taken the proper hold of things and is managing very nicely. She deserves lots of credit for keeping Jimmy in good health considering all the childrens ailment epidemics that are prevalent in these parts at present. I would like to have visited with them or had them visit us - however you can see how impossible anything like that was and is - however I do hope that we can get to-gether in the near future.

the children are now students in the

1-A grade - and are they proud. They are very enthusiastic about it and feel quite grown up. Syd and I get a great kick out of them but with all these illnesses that they contract in school, about which we were warned, we really get to wonder how much schooling they are going to get.

Florence told me of your schooling assignment. I was very happy to hear about it but not surprised - need I say I told you so. Lots of luck.

You probably get all the dope regarding Lowitz from Florence and other sources. However just in case they are lagging in bringing you up to date here goes - It seems to me the office is falling apart. Max Pinus

is quite ill with kidney trouble - understand he suffered an acute attack - has been home now almost two weeks.

Bill Fowler collapsed in the lavatory, Friday, and had to be carried out - they thought he'd pass out - due to bleeding ulcers in the rectum. Still home but seems to be coming along fairly well at present. Ken expects to hear from his draft board in the very near future. Bill H. is back at Lowitz.

Some fun - this peaceful home front

I haven't heard from the draft board as yet but boy I can feel them breathing down my neck. Do you require a description of this uncomfortable feeling.

I finally got a break from that
dog Dunhill. They own a block of
Park & Tilford who contemplate making
a dividend payment in liquor. On
the strength of the move in P. & T. —
DHI got up to $12\frac{1}{2}$ — I sold mine at $12\frac{1}{2}$
from here in I don't care what it does.
Another canine that came to life on
rumors of one sort or another is UFG.
It is selling at $20\frac{1}{2}$ and I certainly am
trying to keep on top of it as much
as possible — do hope it doesn't get
away from me. The market as a
whole is in the doldrums, at the present
time, awaiting invasion news, the
end of the Fourth Bond Drive, tapes and
all the other usual if, ands + buts.

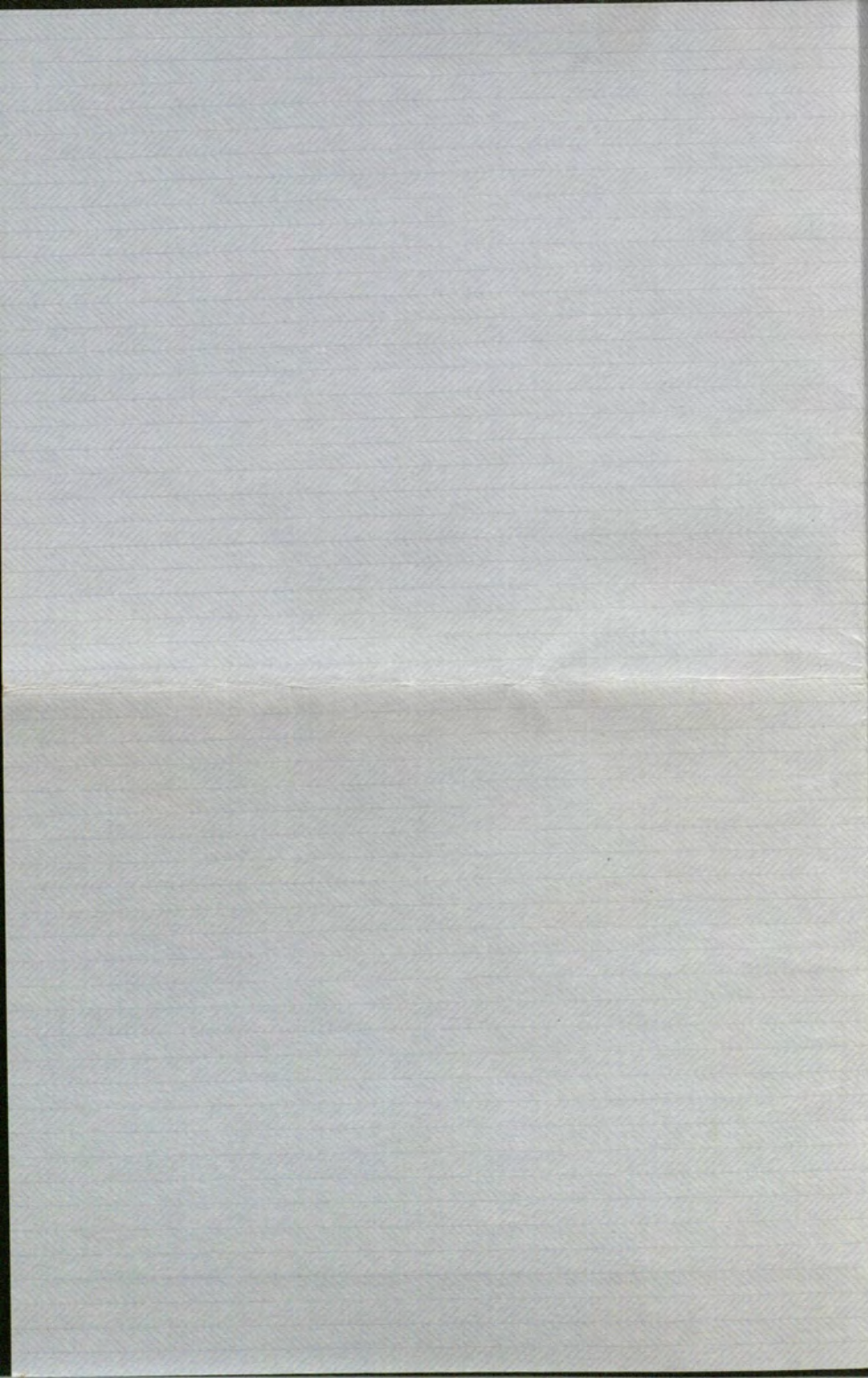
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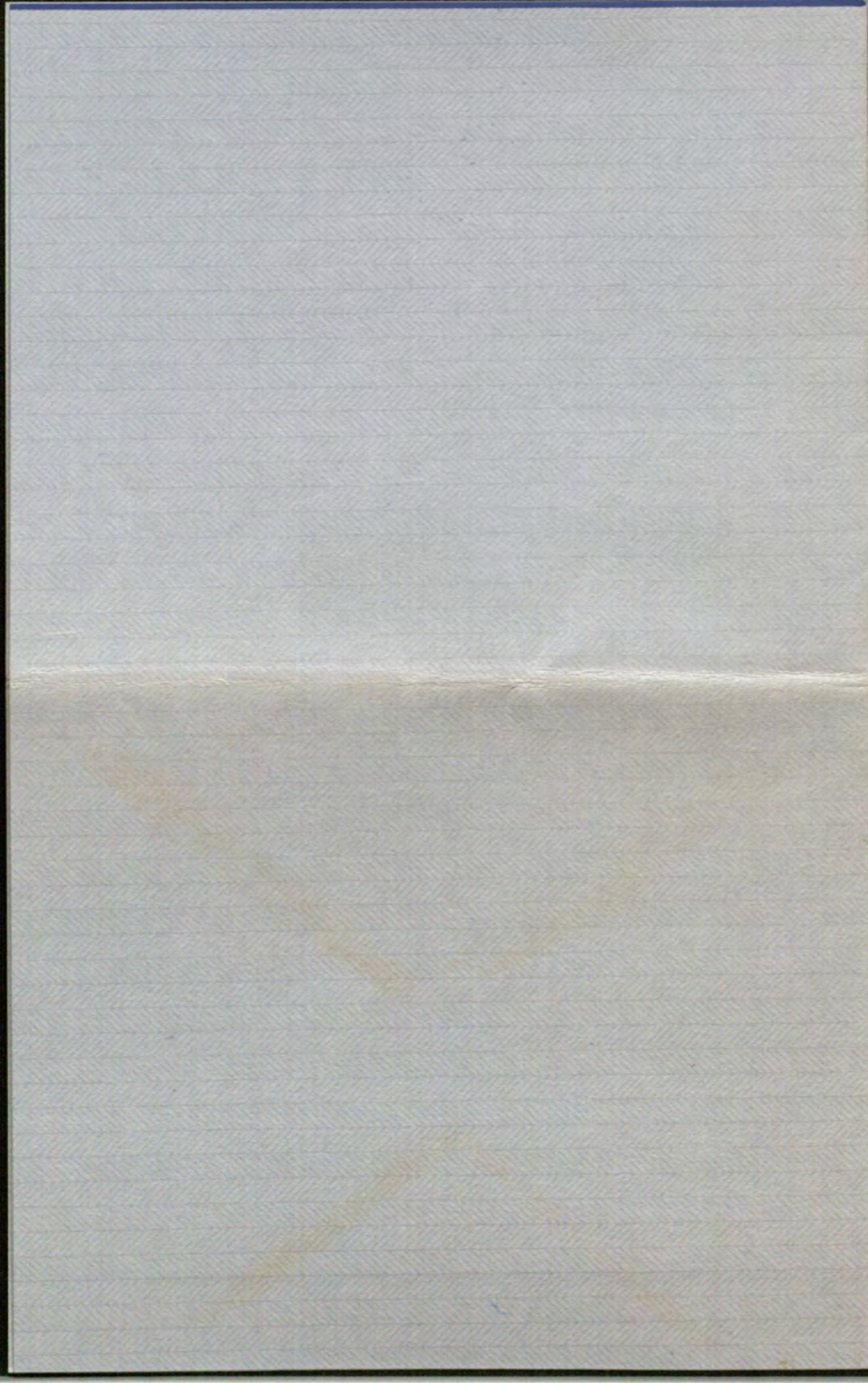
I spoke to you regarding a subscription
to the "Readers Digest" - can you use it?

I realize that you are going to
be very busy as a student from now
on but how about a nice newsy
letter anyway about army life in general
and your activities in particular -
first chance you get. As for myself
I shall try to be more frequent.

Regards from Syd and the children
and our best wishes for a "Happy
Landing"

Sincerely,
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