



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

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Dear Fran:

Lo and behold! - I now am a rookie first class, complete with uniform, work clothes, underwear (completely comfy coverall class) and at least 199 lbs. more of spare clothes and equipment packed into two husky duffle-bags. The "processing" we go through here at Upton consists (chronologically listed) of: Mechanical aptitude & intelligence tests, clothes outfitting, 3 "shots", a motion picture (popularly called the "Mickey Mouse") concerning venereal diseases, and an appreciation of Job's patience, gained from standing on line in the cold waiting to get into the mess hall. However, all in all, the life's not so bad. Will be here, supposedly, only 4 or 5 days, so will write again from perm. camp.

- Gene D.