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744<sup>th</sup> Ord. L.M. Co.  
APO #44 ~~c/o Postmaster~~  
~~Shreveport, LA~~  
Camp Phillips, Kansas

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Miss S. Loving  
c/o Wash. Lee High School  
Arlington, Virginia

March 29, 1944

Dear Miss Loving,

Beat up stationary, scratchy handwriting and 'free' on the envelope. A typical Army letter & guess.

I suppose you heard that almost all ASTP was sent back to active duty. The 44<sup>th</sup> Division was my lot, and what a time to join them. Right in the middle of Louisiana maneuvers. We're almost through now and expect to move to a permanent camp within the next two weeks & say permanent in the sense that we may be there more than a month.

These maneuvers aren't exactly what they're cracked up to be. I guess I'm getting tired of the Army.

I haven't seen anyone from W&L in all my 13 months in the Army. I wonder if all the fellows are as anxious to get home as I am.

Say – What's the idea of letting our whole class get married like that. You know those kids shouldn't be doing that. Why pretty soon I'll be the only one left single (I wonder) and I never was one for letting a thing like that happen.

Do you have a couple of addresses for me? I'd like to get in touch with Everett Craig, Bob Vaughan, and Bob Oksanen. They were both writing to me from Florida but stopped, and I wonder if they are still there. I haven't heard from Craig since I came in service and I thought maybe you had his address.

I got a short letter from A.H. recently. He sounded sort of like he would like to come home. I can't blame him much – Cadets and the Army aren't quite the same.

Oh yes, I should also like to get in touch with Eddie Smith. Maybe you have his address lying around and can help me.

I'll have to close now. Best wishes to all.

Sincerely,

Freeland