

UNITED STATES ARMY



CAMP RUCKER
CAMP RUCKER, ALABAMA

April 9, 1944

Dear Bro. Clarence:

I have been trying to find time to drop you a line since I got back here from leave. I just got in from the rifle range and decided I would take care of it before I went home. (Notice this is Sunday).

The day of the week means nothing now - all is feverish activity.

I got down to Detroit one day while home on leave and intended to return the next day for the lodge meeting but the weather was so bad I didn't dare take a chance in driving. Before the next week rolled around I had a telegram to report back for duty.

So you see how it goes! Maybe some day I'll be able to attend meeting in my Mother's lodge.

Thanks for the 1944 Dues card, Clarence, that's what I have now - getting to be sort

of a return.

Will give my regards to the brothers and
express my regrets at not being able to attend.

Must close now

Fraternally

Charles Smithley.