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Very Reverend
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Very Rev. and Dear Father Provincial:

While on my recuperation leave I tried three times unsuccessfully to visit with you. On one occasion you were attending the funeral of Fr. Conaty's father and at other times out of town. I am genuinely sorry I missed you for I did want to thank you personally for your kindness while overseas and to report my activities. My leave was short and I was restless after all the traveling from Germany to New York and then Camp Devens. Then afterwards the Army put us aboard a train and we ended up in sunny California.

This is a beautiful camp but the beauty is lost on the men and myself as we are told we will leave the country again..when perhaps October but unless congress and public opinion saves us we are bound for the Orient. Hence my work increases each day as I try to assist the many men who would like to remain home. Personally I would prefer returning to the classroom and teaching once again but always they tell us of the shortage of priests. So Father Provincial I am praying earnestly that I remain in the country but come what may I will do the job as well as I can.

I wish to thank you again for your many kindnesses and express my regret at not having the opportunity to visit with you before departing for the West coast. Asking a kind remembrance to all the fathers,

I remain,

Obediently yours

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