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Dear Nannie -

Just a note to wish you a speedy recovery, and hoping you're up and about by now. Or have you already been drafted for farm labor? Has Stan been doing the cooking and laundry during the emergency? I sure would like to see him at it. Perhaps I'd better come quick with a supply of G.I. soap and show you how we do it in the army.

My application for discharge seems to have been lost for a while. Then they now claim to have found it. I'm going around to the office now to see if it's the original or a fake.

The newest recruit to our Art Section is an Oklahoma Indian who speaks Creek (not Creech) and Seminole and has attended Oxford University. He is an enormous fellow all around as well as straight up but he can paint the most precise and neat little picture in Indian style. He seems to be a swell guy - knows his stuff and a very competent lecturer on Indian subjects.

Last night I called on the chief Grey Lady

on the Post. The new Red Cross guest house - reception hall -
theatre - and - offices has been opened with banging blarney
and she was anxious to show it to me, no doubt
wishing me to pass on a favorable report to my
'cousin' Mary L. who had much impressed her.
She had bragged about her extra ordinary kitchen
but all she could produce out of it was ~~cola~~ -
cola without ice. Now the bait is something
stronger in a bigger bottle for next Sunday
even.

It had been some weeks since I'd been in to
the Steeles until I dropped in on them last Sun.
evening. Burt had gone to work and Peg was
near speechless with the typical St. Louis laryngitis.
Art is getting a C.D.D. because of his too
numerous allergies. In the meanwhile he's on
fatigue doing heavy labor. He will probably go
into defense near Washington

Cheeris and speedy recovery

Tom