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Dear Sue,

Many thanks for your
welcome letter which has been
too long unanswered.

I'm at the Post Library
writing this and your old friend
Lucille Meredith is on duty tonight.
This end of the Fort is mighty dead
at present as the Quadrangle is prac-
tically devoid of living souls — the
tenants in the brick bks vacated
to Edwards. When I told our old
1st Sgt, Sgt Zak in a letter that we
had to move into wooden bks next
to PX 13 above the Fire Station (No 1)
he wrote back and asked "What was
the matter? Couldn't you pay the
rent?" All the Reconditioning and
Invallescent patients were moved to
Camp Edwards and the Quadrangle

prejudiced and they are generally those who wave the flag the hardest.

Heidi is a whole sunrise. Glad you heard from Mrs. King. Missed out on that wedding entirely and didn't see Mary before she went off to school.

Too bad you weren't here to go to Texas with Mary. Such are the breaks. I've been in the Army over four yrs. — never been to school — never got away from Devens.

Yes, it is futile to waste time thinking of what might have been. Three things someone once wrote cannot be taken back — the sped arrow, the spoken word and the lost opportunity. We can profit tho. by evaluating our past mistakes and planning for the future.

Generally tho. in the Army the future is in the hands of the War Department.

The best thing in the world is to

is being turned into a real hospital and will be known as Lovell East. Extensive alterations are being made — looks like elevators and ramps are being installed. Many other changes must be made.

Glad you rejoice in Heidi's promotion. I wonder if she beat out her husband Sam in winning Car tracks? Seldom see Heidi now but used to meet her quite often in your old Orderly Room.

Indeed there are many new faces down at your old Devens' home. I've not been in your Day Room since last year. One, rather two, other customers just came in — a mother with her little boy and their dog.

I'm glad that you and Bette and Iris had Heidi for your C.O. for those ten happy months. It wasn't easy for you lassies. So many are so damn bigoted and

be kept healthily busy - but not on the scale that the lassies were kept going at Personnel in the R.C.

The War news in Europe and in the Pacific looks better all the time and I hope that all nations will soon be at peace and families - what is left of them after this awful Carnage, will soon be reunited.

Still have oceans of snow but tomorrow promises more followed by rain and warmer temperatures.

We just need a week of 40° temp to melt down the snow piles.

Heard that Irene Brooks got a Tech Sergeantcy today or yesterday and I hope it's true. "Brookie" is a wonderful girl - quiet and generous and good. I met her little brother Herbert who was killed in Luxemburg the middle of December. A fine type of young manhood.

Had a letter today from Bill Griffin who used to work out of

Public Relations office. Bill is at Camp Liberty and he was up North to the Dorchester section of Boston recently on furlough. Didn't see Bill but he wrote back of it being so warm there that there is no need of wearing a blouse.

Sunday's Herald carried a story from Luxemburg written by another old Hq Co and PRO man - Bill Dorman who used to be a by-line writer for the Boston Herald.

Still very quiet here tho there's a steady customer in the person of a 1st Lt. It's as dead here as last year.

Wish I had some more news. I wrote to Iris last night and I don't want to repeat myself. Next time I'll try not to send letters to two people in the same outfit at practically the same time.

Do write me again Sue and
let me know how you are
getting along.

Best wishes as ever.

Bernie