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Dear Mrs. Whitney,

Virginia & I attended Rosary services to night, and altho we really didn't know what it was all about we enjoyed it any way. (But, I did learn one thing - the fine glorious mysteries) We also attended mass this morning, and since Father Clement gave me a booklet on what a visitor does - how to follow, I've almost learned when to kneel & when to stand. After Rosary this evening, Father Clement told us since the Army is not going to permit any one denomination to come & get established in Camp (as, if one is permitted to come, the rest will feel they are entitled to - too, he is going to apply as an English teacher as there is a shortage of teachers here, and in that way, his he permitted to stay in Camp. He said he planned on seeing the director of education tomorrow morning.

School starts tomorrow - my what a mess it is too! The grammar school children according to paper will be located all over Camp #1. Some in our block have to go down to 27 & etc. The High School students have to walk from one end of Camp to the other - (Carrying their own chairs) depend on the subjects they take. It's really a pity, they can't vacate a couple of blocks & centralize school in one place so I rather believe it's going to work a hard ship on the younger children.

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Friday, all of the pre-school teachers & Kindergarten teachers were given their place to work. About 10 teachers were dismissed - some of the former pre school teachers who worked with the 4 & 5 year olds were placed as kindergarten teachers - well - all in all, it was a reshuffling job. Block #4 moved to Block #3 - & they are to take children from the Block #2 nursery which was closed. Dorothy is to stay on at Block #3 with 2 other girls who have been working there up until now - plus 3 new girls. The formula miss - & I are going to Block #6. This is a new school - & we are to take children who have never attended school. There will be two other girls working there too. Incidentally, pre school is from 3 to 4 1/2 - kindergarten from 4 1/2 to 5 yrs 9 mos. Virginia has been transferred to block 39 where she is to be in charge of the kindergarten. Pre school hours are from 8:30 - 11:30. Kindergarten from 1 - 4 P.M. Personally, I feel kindergarten will not be very successful as it's going to be so warm in the afternoons. Goodness, how I hate starting all over again - especially leaving all the bedding just at a time when they had improved 100%. To say the least, the teachers who step in at Block #3 will have an easy time with the children.

This week end we are having the County fair.
It has been postponed about 4 times - but
finally!

Here it is Monday morning already. Goodness -
how cold it is. I shall have to hustle
along to get to work by at least 8:15.

Dad & the rest send their regards to
all of you.

With love,
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