Dear Mom,

This will have to be short and sweet, honey. Boy, this schedule is something! I'm on the go from six to nine-thirty. All my courses now consist of Naval Identification, code, maps and charts, and physics, and they've quite a bit tougher than my first. In W.I. we have two seconds to identify the ships! Those hairy boats look all alike to me. The taking eight words a minute now in code plus five words a minute by visual or light flashes. Man, that's rare. If you watch the
light you can't see where you write the figures, and if you watch the figures you can't see the light, quiet fun, eh? The Maps and charts is a very interesting course, where we learn to construct, read, and plot courses on maps. The Physics is the same old stuff I had in high school and C.T.W. Tell Judy, Bob, and Nan that I'll write them soon. Really, now, I've got no time, I have hardly time to read the letters much less write them. But keep writing honey, you have no idea how much I enjoy all your letters, how much I miss the movies. I love you with all my heart, goodnight, sweetheart.