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Received your welcome letter & was glad to hear from you. I am in good health & hope you are the same. Glad you are enjoying the vextrola as you surely deserve some past time.

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I was very glad to hear that the chickens are doing so well and pay up for the trouble and expense.

In regards to talk about the regiment leaving, I do not place much faith in it, as there have been all together too many rumors to that effect for me to believe them any more. They are, however, picking up the harness and getting the horses ready for shipment. Aeroplanes are getting to be very common around here and there is hardly a moment of the day when there isn't a few in sight somewhere in the sky. Sometimes as many as twenty-five and thirty at one time. To see them in the air with the sun shining on their wings is one of the prettiest sights I have ever seen.

Our pay was held back pretty late this time but we were paid and I am sending you twenty bucks to put in the bank for me.

Did Hinkle pay you the twenty five bucks he owes you yet? In your next letter I wish you would tell me how I stand financially.

Well fellows, I thank I will close as there isn't much more to tell you with love.

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