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Fort. Sherman, C.Z.  
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Dear mama -

Thought I would write a few lines as I don't have any thing to do. We are going to have a 3 day alert beginning tomorrow. They have what is called alerts about once every 2 months - every body has to carry field equipment - and go to different batteries that are located at different points along the beach - some of them are 5 or 6 miles away. we will operate search lights and fire harbor defense guns etc. I will have to clean up my mess equipment this

evening as I will have to use it to eat out of.

I hope everybody there is ok. How is Alice getting along in school? I suppose she has to study a good bit now.

I got a letter from Clayton the other day. He said he had a 20 meter rig working. The fellows at the radio station are a little more interested in building a station than they were so we may have one on the air in a month or two. I'm not going to build one by myself. if I did they would operate it as much I would. But I think they have about decided ~~that~~ that they would like to have one. We already have some of the parts.

Tell Bill I would like for  
him to wrap up my log  
book and send it to me if  
he doesn't mind. It would  
be interesting to look over it now.  
Lots of times Dickenson, the other  
ham I told you about, asks me  
if I've worked a certain  
station and I can't remember  
whether I have or not.

Well I can't think of any  
thing else to write so will  
have to close. I have less  
than 21 months to do now so  
will soon be home hi -

I suppose grandma got the  
letter ok. hope she is getting  
along alright - and soon.

With Love

John