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Dearest Grace:-

How to answer your letter of the 26. Any stationery will do Grace. It is what is on the paper that counts and not the paper. See?

I don't suppose you folks miss the I hours. There seems always to be something the matter with things to them. I wish I was back to sing in the choir. I can't sing anymore. I never could, but now my voice is rotten. I guess my choir days are over. I am a good listener so I will be content in doing that.

Tom is going to ~~buy~~ buy a ring and give it to Arline. I guess my little talks to him have


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been to some good. Then we are
 leaving soon and he realizes that
 too. Better be ready for a telegram
 any time now. I believe I will
 send it to your home. Tell your
 mother so she won't be frightened.
 I think that is best. After that
 I wonder how long it will be
 before I hear from you. Grace
 dear, as soon as you receive my
 new address, write to me. It
 is going to be hard, but as every
 thing else, I will have to get
 used to it. I will write to
 you as often as I can. Oh if
 you only could be at the boat
 when I leave. After I leave,
 then for the wait for the end
 of the war.

The cake was fine. I am