

LOU MASCHER WRITES OF ARMY LIFE IN FINE STEVENS BUILDING

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Lou E. Mascher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lou Mascher, Sr., of the Brush Creek Farms, writes a very interesting letter from Chicago where he is serving in the U. S. Army as an instructor in the Radio School.

He tells of the splendid way Chicago is taking care of soldiers and sailors and the quarters afforded the radio school which is located in one of Chicago's Finest hotel building.

His letter follows:

Dear Mr. Page:

Just a few lines to let you and several of my friends know my new address.

I'm living at the Stevens Hotel in Chicago now and like it very much. I have a lake front room with private bath. The food here is grand. It certainly is heaven for the service men here in Chicago. There are service clubs and U. S. O.'s all over town. The famous Chicago Serviceman's Center, sponsored by Mayor Kelly is located just a few doors from the Hotel. Everything there is free. You can get tickets there to any kind of entertainment in the city. So you can see that the Windy City has really opened it's doors to the boys in the service. Most of the fellows here are a long way from home and really appreciate this friendly atmosphere.

The school here takes up the Stevens and Congress hotels and the Coliseum. I am instructing Radio operating at the Coliseum. I think that I am going to like our set-up fine.

I am enclosing a clipping taken from the Tribune, which you may have noticed. It happens to be of interest to me as I helped to unload a great number of these sets. The picture shows only about a fourth of the used Radio sets that have been donated to the school. These sets will be used by students for study to familiarize them with repairing radios and the actual parts in sets.

My new address is:

Pvt. Lou. E. Mascher.

100 1st Tech. Sch. Squad (sp)

Room no. 821.

720 S. Michigan Blvd.

Chicago, Ill.

I hope to hear from some of my old friends and will try to answer their letters.

As Ever,

Lou. E. Mascher

Stewart Williams Assigned

Stewart William, former teacher teacher at the Newton High School, was here Friday afternoon on his way to Lincoln, Nebr, where he will take up his duties as civilian instructor in an army camp. He has recently finished a training course at Chanute Field, Rantoul.