

seven ocean trips. The ship can accommodate about 1500 G.I.s. We have only 800 aboard. Thus I am able to walk on deck without tripping every two feet. Being in the medics I help out on the daily sick call. That takes an hour in the morning and leaves me free the rest of the time. No details to keep stepping. I hate to have to keep these kids working. Mainly, 'cause I don't like to work myself - in the Army I mean. So, to all intents and purposes, I am a gentleman of leisure. (Correction - a man of leisure - only officers can be gentlemen - Congress told them so.)

We are due in Japan on the 22nd. It doesn't look like I shall be spending much time there. However, I have five rolls of film on hand and shall take lots of pictures to show you when I get home.

That's about the crap for now. My best to everyone there.

Sincerely,
Ed.