

Sept 29, 1901.

Dear Grandfather,-

We are nearly over our hard drilling now because we take up our regular studies on the first of October. After the 1st, only one period a day will be given to drill and seamanship because our books will take the most of our time. The upperclassmen who were home on furloughs are coming in now and by Monday night they must all be

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here. So far there has been very little hazing or "running" as it is now called. While we were having our seamanship practice yesterday afternoon on the Chesapeake, Ohnie and Nuddye came to see me. As I had not received my blue uniform yet, I could not obtain leave to show them over the grounds and the town. They went back to Washington last night.

The United States Marine Band gives a concert every morning and evening in the grounds here so

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there are always lots of visitors.

The Navy football team is getting in trim for the coming games with Yale, Harvard, West Point and the big colleges. The Army-Navy game will come off in Philadelphia some time in November and all the cadets of both Academies will be present.

Some of the grades made in the entrance examinations were very low but they were pulled in. My lowest grade was 3.4 and my general average

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in mathematics was 3.5, which was the highest made on the examination. My roommate made the next highest grade in mathematics.

Is everyone well in Fredericksburg. How is little Karlie?

My best love to all.

Your affectionate grandson,

[signed]

Chester W. Nimitz