January 10, 1902.

Dear Grandfather:-

Your two letters came all right. Yes we had another holiday for New Year and I spent it in our gymnasium. I have made it a point to get as much exercise as I can and not do too much studying. Don't you think that is a good idea?

It is very cold here now and most of the cadets spend their recreation hours skating on Severn

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River, but as I have not learned yet, I keep off the ice.

At present we are being instructed in fencing, and also in the use of rifles and revolvers. We spend about two hours at pistol and rifle practice every day.

I am having more photos made, and as soon as they are finished I will send one to you.

Nuddye has not written to me since she left for New York.

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Our semi-annual examinations will take place in the first week in February but I have no cause to fear them at all. My margin is good and it is large enough to give me a satisfactory mark even if I should fail completely on the examinations.

I sincerely hope that Dr. Palmer can cure your sore soon. How is Aunt Bertha? Is she well?

There was a New Year ball given in the Armory and a number of my classmates went.

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I received a letter from Otto and one from Dora. Dora is certainly learning rapidly, and so is Otto. How is Karlie?

Well Grandfather, I will close giving my best love to all.

Your affectionate grandson,

[signed]

Chester W Nimitz