

Saturday - 13 Oct.

10:30 AM



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Hello folks,

I sure am off my ^a schedule of writing this week. I didn't really intend to make this my ~~mid-week~~ ^{week-end} letter but it may turn out as such. I got a letter and the box from you yesterday so I can't really expect anything today. And, of course, if nothing comes today, it'll be Monday before I hear again. Thanks for everything in the box. The trousers are really better than I thought they were, and I may be glad to have them before the winter's over. I appreciate the reading material, too. Even though I don't spend any great amount of time reading; if you'd add up all the short periods, it'd be a good bit.

Before I started writing this I looked over a few old letters and I see there were a couple of things I had either thought of

before or you'd mentioned. You asked if I have been getting the Tribunes regularly. The only ones I have received up to date is that one bunch from Richard. It's not not important enough for you to worry about whether I get every one of them or not. But of course, I'd like to get a few once in a while especially if there's anything of interest to me.

I've been very glad to get the pictures in the last couple of letters but ~~in all of them~~ I've been kind of disappointed in them. Some of them were really good pictures but I guess I just didn't like the way the pictures of me turned out. I think I can see the trouble is that khaki is just don't look nice in pictures. Perhaps that's one reason why I'd like to get home at least once this winter - for you to take a picture of me in uniform (O.D.'s) that I wouldn't be ashamed of. I know it's crazy of me but khaki's never have looked right. If you get a chance how about



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sticking an extra film in a
hole someplace with that in
mind. I'm going to send a
few of the pictures back and
I knew you won't take it that I wasn't
glad to get them. Briefly here were the
deciding reasons: I already have a really better
picture of Grandma and Grandpa; the picture
with Jim in it is just as good of the
dog and it means a little more with
Jim's cue-ball in it; the picture of "us
kids" really isn't very good and I have
several ~~really~~ better group pictures; and
I think the picture of Dad and I on the
shed will mean more to you than it
does to me. I carried the little picture
of Judy and Linda with me all through
Europe but I see that I've another one of
them with Aunt Mary and Uncle Cecil in it
too. I guess the best picture of the
whole bunch was the one you took in
front of the church. I got a kick out of the

one with the horses in it.

I'll bet there's a lot of flying around being done today in preparation for tomorrow. I'm still hoping that everything goes off O.K.

Last night was my night off for this week so I got to bed fairly early. Consequently I got up earlier this morning or otherwise I would not be getting this much done before noon. - And speaking of noon it's time I was signing off to get something to eat. I'll not seal this until I read any letters I might get at noon but unless there's something I need to tell you I'll not write any more. So till next time -

Your son and brother,

Donald

I don't know why but in looking over this letter I see I've sure done a messy job of making mistakes.

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