



UNITED STATES ARMY

Sunday June 18, 1944

Dear Grandparents,

Well how are you coming on the school house work by this time? I hope the trustee has started letting you have supplies, etc. so that you can get some of the work done before bang-up school time. I'll bet the lawns won't again look like they did the first week of my furlough.

Speaking of furloughs, I understand that Duane Cook is at home. I wonder if you have got to talk to him yet. Ben's furlough was just a little before mine and his is a little after and I turn out missing everyone. But even at that it was sure good to be at home.

I haven't heard from Daddy yet since he started his new job. It will be something different from what he has done in a few years but I hope he can get along alright with it.

Going to communications school brought me quite a lucky break for this week. There have been so many new men come into the company since we were out on the range that the company had to go out again yesterday for them to fire. But those of us going to school got to stay back in camp so that we could go this week. You really appreciate barracks and the conveniences of camp when you know the other fellows are sleeping out in tents.

I wonder if the church had a preacher this morning. Since most of the fellows were out on the range services were held out there instead of here so I didn't get to attend any service today.



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I sure hope it isn't as hot back there as it is here. You just bake out in the sun and even when you aren't stirring at all the sweat just runs off you. I hope mid-summer doesn't get any hotter than it is now.

I got my teeth fixed up this week and my ear has stopped giving me trouble so I am in pretty good shape now.

Monday and Tuesday of this week we went out several miles from camp and had a little tactical problem. We took our radios with us and got a little practical experience in using them. Of course, it wasn't like combat but it gave us some idea of how really useful they could be under combat conditions.

Have you heard anything from Ben

lately. I believe Mother said that she had read one of his letters but she didn't make any mention of what he had been doing.

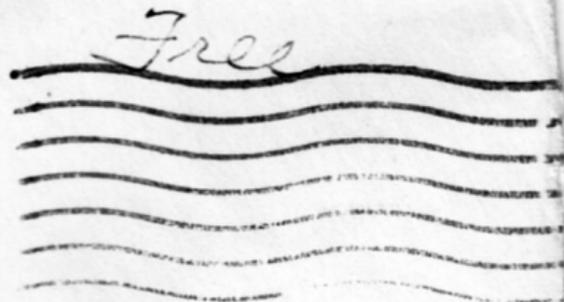
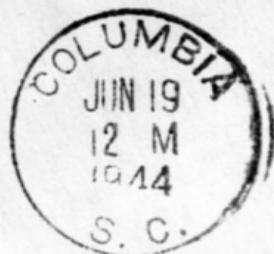
Well I hope you are as well as usual and are coming along alright with your work.

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