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Hello Folks,

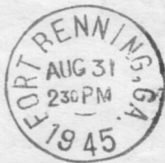
I actually don't suppose I'll be able to think of enough to make this look like a letter but I'll try anyway. I don't know a bit more than I did the first day about how long I'll be here. We're not doing enough though to make any difference. I've been spending most of my time working on the mail but there has been very little time spent in training. The company drilled yesterday morning and as far as I know that's the only work of that type that's been done since we've been here. Being Wednesday, yesterday afternoon was legally a vacation and today might just as well have been. If the higher-ups don't start pushing it I expect it'll continue this way. After next week when the number begins to diminish there'll be less incentive than ever even to try to look busy.

Now just a little explanation about the money order. We were paid our ration money and for the month of July when

we got back to the reception center. I  
got \$19.80 cents for <sup>furlough</sup> ration money and since  
you guys fed me I want you to have  
a \$25 bond out of it. I don't care  
whether Mother's or Dad's name or both  
is put on it. I also want a report on  
the matter so I'll be sure you did  
it. Of course, if you have a real need  
to spend it otherwise it'll be alright.  
The check will be about \$1.25 short  
in buying me a \$37.50 and the \$8.75 bonds  
but there should be enough left from  
the money I left in the bank to finish  
it. The post office wouldn't cash the  
check they payed ~~me~~ <sup>me</sup> with at Camp Atterbury  
or I'd have sent the whole thing.

Well I wonder if the garage looks  
any different than it did this time last  
week. I know you've been doing something  
whether you've got much done on that  
or not. It shouldn't be very long before  
I'll start getting mail now - I hope.  
God bless you.  
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