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Dear Family &

Two swell letters from you today. None from Ruth but I'll probably get one from her tomorrow. You said in one letter today that you didn't care how much I scribbled because you liked it and it will I don't see how you can but know some more.

We didn't have it so much going thing today. What it came a cue of flash across. It shined & drops it this morning & then I washed a pair of fatigues & then some underwear & my leggings. That took most of the morning & then this afternoon we went for "short arm" - better known as "Peta Parade". ha. ha. I guess every one was ok & I know all was well. I say so because

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Lodex & Willkie both got their
shipping orders this noon. They
don't know when they're shipping
either but I don't think it'll be
the same place I'm going but
it might be. Lodex heard
today that the bunch I'm with
is going to Detroit. Suppose it's
just another one of those
"latrine-o'-grams" (crapper rumors)—
but it'd sure be small wouldn't
it? I'll just about be able to
tell where I'm going among those
states & cities. Bob didn't get
to ship because he was on quar-
antine but he is still on the
boat. He was supposed to have gone
to Sioux Falls, So. Dakota. I'd
just as well not be sent there.

That poem by Edgar about
that you sent me is really ok.
It brings back memories of a
nice soft bed is a mighty small



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home is which had 3 mighty
swell people - my Mother, my
Dad, & my kid brother who
seems to be getting around
now days. Will going kiddo!!

The air mail stamps, too, were
very much appreciated as I don't
have passes now that I'm on the island
& wouldn't take a chance on buying
stamps cause my do. n. m. is
so limited. I'm getting along
fine tho' & am having fun
"making my own".

The other day you asked
about my shoes & laundry case.
My laundry case was pretty bad-
ly beat up when I got it. St. Peter
they told us we had to get rid of
them so I threw it away. I sent
my shoes home in Brown's bag &
he said his folks were going to

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Take them over to our place - home -
459 So. Simpson. When we first
got out here they told us we
could wear in, but I run out for
iron ~~cause~~ it's so chidy out here.
I'll probably send for iron when
I get at a school.

Don't worry about my throat -
as soon as I get out of this damn
swampy pen, it'll be ok. Everyone
coughs here.

Dad, you'd be surprised at the
size of the kitchen out here. It's
about 50 ft. long + 30 feet wide.
It has 4 large gas stoves - each is
about 6' x 4' in cooking space with
ovens living too of course. The
potatoes are cooked outside on
wood fires. As for a mess hall
we don't have any. We just carry our
mess kits thru the lines (5 ft in)
get our food + eat outside on
picnic tables - used to eat sitting
on the ground + there wasn't a



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Blade of grass. The food has
gotten somewhat better lately.
The officers have been raising
hell about so many guys getting
sick & I guess that's what made
it improve. They are cooking
in that kitchen 24 hrs. a day. Each
man ~~there~~ feeds from 3000 to 5000
meals a meal. We have
to go to my meal now. If we
don't go, we're A.W.O. L. - some all
go.

Thanks a lot for the tip on
soap. It'll come in handy.

I'm glad you've got a chance
to work at Pete's Dad, but
Damn it it makes me mad
cause you're too good for that.
I'll sure be glad for you when
you go back to the truck. Let
but you'll be glad too. I wish

now more or less I had saved
some money this summer. Now
wouldn't I have to work at that
damned old store !!!

I'm really getting a tan.
People are sure gonna think
I'm an Indian if I get up with.

Mother, don't be expecting a
furlough for a long time! I'll
probably be clear thru school
and gunnery before I get one. I
found out the other day tho' that
if I'm a member of a flying
crew, I can fly with like a
ride in a plane for anywhere
in this country for \$1. That is
the cost of repacking a parachute
& if I don't have to use that I
get my \$1 back. Nice eh?

I've had K. P. 4 times since
I've been in the army for weeks.
Keep writing. Dad, I'll write
you tomorrow.

Love
Glenn