Sat. Eve.
6:00
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Dear Lovell Family!

Well, finished the last of my "pretty" stationery so, till my other stuff gets here, I'll have to use whatever I can find. This happens to be some "Gift" stuff. Cheap, eh?

It's hotter'n the hinges o' hell here today. Have been sweating like a pig. Found a pool hall! Ha Ha. Went down & took a shower a couple hours ago. And I mean it was cold! Have had a headache from the heat but don't worry, I'll take care o' myself!

Had only one letter today. From you & written May 31. Sent Cincinnati first going there that ~~day~~ temporary A.P.O.

Am enclosing a money order for $100. Part of my last 2 months pay. Will try to send some every month. Fix it all out & use dough now. If you ever need

don't hesitate to use it!! It'll be a long time before I'll need it again so you may as well make use of it. It makes no difference to me how you handle it, Dad. You know more about such things than I do. Put in an account in my name, your name, Mom's, Dale's, invest it or anything you decide is best. It has taken me so long time I start saving any dough

I guess I'm gonna sit down. It feels kinda good to know you have money besides what's in your pocket. I realized it before. Am saving the money and stash in case anything happens I guess.

I guess you're up town hunting a place to park or into Harvey's. Mom's at Aunt's eating. Drink a quart o' milk for me, will ya, Dale? It's good for you. Ha.

Do me a favor. Drop a line to this buddy o' mine in the hospital. He has a bad leg.

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Honey. Will be glad if I hear from you. Try to keep his spirits up & encourage him as to the ability of the guys taking care of him.

I spoke some time ago of seeing some cutting wheat. It is really a beautiful wheat & looks pretty good. Saw em "thrashing" - if you wanta call it that - the other day. They walk around on it & separate the grain from the husks, etc. Then pick the straw up in peculiar looking mounds. Had telling how they mill it & prepare it for flour. Also noticed a large vegetable garden. Lots of onions, potatoes, tomatoes, & other stuff I couldn't identify - oh, yes, & some rhubarb.

Still people wouldn't understand the modern conveniences we have in the States. A

open mouth. Every thing is filthy & I can't understand how they live like they do. They draw flies - so help me - flies so ~~damned~~ damned filthy.

Mom. how would you like this for an iron. It was made hollowed out shape iron which is filled with hot ~~coals~~ & heats it. Holes in the top which lets out all the soot & ~~flames~~ ~~the~~ blacken the top. Imagine using that for a days [illegible]

[illegible] a couple [illegible] squadron. & I'm gonna find out what it is & try it home on. I'll let you know later what size film I need. Thanks.

Dad, I completely forgot - at the time - Father's Day this year. I think of you all constantly so I'm sure you'll realize how it is. Sorry! I hate it like the devil.

Had memorized - or read as often it stuck - the 23rd Psalm - my favorite - & when things begin to look rugged I repeat it to myself. Could be engraved [illegible] it helps.