

Sunday –

Dolores My Darling;

I'm spending a very nice Sunday not doing very much of anything. I only wish you were here to enjoy it with me. That would make it perfect.

I got up at 7:00 A.M. this morning and had a meal of fried eggs and bread and milk. They let us have all the eggs we wanted and it was a very nice meal. [scratched out word] After that Bob, Knipple and I went down by the river with our comforters and sun bathed for almost 3 hours. I drew, read the funnies and ate crackers and cheese for which I'm very very thankful to you Darling. It was wonderful of you to send that package. I sure appreciate it and it sure came in handy but I'll get around to that later in the letter. After we had sun bathed for a while – with quite a few couples strolling past and not paying a lot of attention to us

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altho [sic] we were down to bare essentials in that matter of clothing – we rolled up our comforters and carrying them ring merchant style – draped across one shoulder – we headed back for camp, had cokes and showered at our leisure and to our hearts content, it was wonderful. After the shower I went to eat and here come the only mishap today. My tray was right on the edge of the table because there wasn't much room on the table so when I accidentally hit it with my elbow I got a lap full of dinner. I [scratched out word] had to go back, change my pants, and go thru [sic] the chow line again to eat. The trousers I have on now are a trifle long in the legs and are brand new, they contrast beautifully with my shirt which is bleached almost white. After dinner we thumbed to town where I am now. It took us

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almost an hour to thumb to town but I didn't mind because it is so nice out that it's a pleasure to be outside absorbing the sunlight. [sic] A couple more Sundays like this one and I will be nice and tanned. I didn't even start to get tanned today tho. [sic] By the time you get here I should be well on my way to blackness.

Your package came yesterday and I want to thank you very much Darling. It was a wonderful surprise and I certainly liked everything in it. I had to laugh when I saw the Climalene in it. You want to be sure I keep my combs clean even tho [sic] I'm away from you, eh? It will certainly be used. I want you to remember to look at my comb when you come here.

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I haven't touched the Bartlett pears yet but have practically finished off the cheese. That's my favorite kind. It has a nice tangy taste. Your cookies are all gone. With all the cookie fiends around, they certainly went fast. My tent mates, as well as Bob Kennedy & Dave Warren, want me to tell you that you make very nice cookies. I'd better just cut out telling you this or you'll be getting even more egotistical. Hmm! That would be a fine state of affairs.

They've decided to call off these last two weeks of training and are just forgetting about it and starting us all over again. It is now a nine weeks course too. I don't know [scratched out word] what they

expect to do with the A.S.T. graduated in our company because they've selected men for practically all schools here

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and none of our boys are among them. Something is certainly fishy in Denmark because the fellows they are selecting are very much less brilliant than the fellows in our section. I can't figure it out at all but there must be some explanation. About half the company is going to school now and the rest of us are going to have to take care of all the details including guard, K.P., firemen, etc. It doesn't seem fair and I hope they do something about it soon, because if they don't, I have visions of doing a lot of dirty work in these next nine months. So far, I haven't gotten a detail here. I hope my luck continues indefinitely.

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I went to the dentist again last nite [sic] and had two fillings put in. There are now only two to go. The officer who worked on me was a young lieutenant and after he had worked on me a while he decided that the particular tooth he was working on "just had to come out." The major took a look at the tooth and told the Lt. that he could fill the tooth so the net result is that I got a filling and saved a tooth. At one stage of the game, when the lieutenant was rather desperate and was trying to put the filling in, he had to leave me for a minute so as he left he said, "now damn you sergeant, if you bite that filling while I'm away I'll - I'll -- I'll bite you, that's what I'll do." I couldn't help laughing at him when he said it because the poor guy was sweating blood he even had me remove my arm from

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the arm of the chair so he could drape his leg up over the arm of the chair to get more leverage. He was really a character.

I wish I could be in Lansing today. It would be a wonderful day to spend on a picnic or out for a walk. The sun is out very bright but there's enough of a breeze to make it cool. I hope it's just like this when your here Honey. Don't forget to let me know right away just what kind of room you want here won't you because, as I said, it is rather hard to get any place to stay. Hotels are full or have all rooms reserved in advance. With a couple of weeks notice I could get a room all right tho. [sic]

If I get paid on time the 10<sup>th</sup> of

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June I may drop in on Lansing again if you think it would be a good idea. If you think that would affect you're coming to meet me let me know won't you Sweetheart. I'll call you as soon as I am paid anyway.

Gosh, Sweetheart, I love you an awful lot and miss you an awful lot. I just seem to love you more all the time and there's nothing I can, or want to, do about it. I do miss you so much.

All my Love and a Great Big Kiss

Freddie

Say hello to everyone for me