



CAMP WOLTERS, TEXAS

C.O. B. 64th Inf. Inf. Bn.

Saturday.

Jo.

I've started two letters to you but something always comes up and I have to quit... They've been working the "heck" out of us... We have a new "Company Commander", and he isn't quite the fellow the other commander was... This fellow believes in working us...

And to top it all the company set a record for marksmanship... Company B 64th qualified 93% of the men... It is an all time record for Infantry Training centers in the U.S. So they had to have a celebration in accordance... We have been the goats of it all especially me... You see the Mineral Wells Chamber of Commerce presented Company B. with a cup... We had two parades on our own time, that is we did it after working hours



Making our day from 4.30 in the morning until 6.30 in the evening... Everybody is kicking about it, but there is nothing a fellow can do... Then yesterday at 7.30 we had a big banquet with speeches and all... That was all right, but you see I was one of the unlucky ones, it just happened to be my turn for K. P... There was a program after supper so that we didn't get off from work last night until 11.0 P.M. Then this morning at inspection my rifle and belt weren't as clean as they should have been... I just missed K. P. again tomorrow by a hair's breadth... All on a account of a little lousy cup...

Incidentally the parade were ~~is~~ for the benefit of the Mineral Wells citizens... Also for the presentation of the cup...

The meal we had was very good we had chicken, (a whole half a chicken ^{spiced}) ice cream, cigarettes, candy, and cigars... It was all very nice but I was the goat

And what I mean they really worked us... All in all this was a ~~f~~ very tough week...

There is talk about us being sent away from here at the end of the month, but then a fellow can't believe anything in this army.... We are soon to get the wool uniforms we are now wearing cotton uniforms...

Received your card this afternoon... Glad to hear you had a good time... As for me I didn't... I went to ~~Fort~~^{Wink}... The town is pretty nice but when you don't know anyone in town there isn't very much to do... We went to a dance given for the soldiers by the U.S.O., that is it was supposed to have been a dance, it was more of a madhouse than anything.... It was so crowded you couldn't have squeezed ⁱⁿ another soldier with a shoe horn... The dance hall is a big place, too.... I tried dancing twice, each time I was ~~tag~~ bumped for two steps then someone would tag me so I give up and left... I did see a good show...

I saw ~~the~~ "Pot o' gold" on the screen... There was a stage show along with it featuring the "Merry Macs"...
~~It~~ The show was very nice... I enjoyed immensely...

It has again turned awfully hot... It shouldn't last too long now...

I have some pictures I'll send to you soon as they get back... Also some pictures of the rifle range, that is if the fellow who took them lends me the negatives.... As for the camera, I ~~don't~~ can't spare the money just now... As long as I'm going to buy I might as well get a pretty fair one, and I don't have the cash so I'll do without for the time being.... If I change my mind I'll let you know so you can get it wholesale for me...

By the way I placed in the upper ten per cent of the Battalion... I scored 203 out of a possible 250... The highest score was 221 out of a possible 250... I'm very dissatisfied I could have and should have done

Much better... The first shot scared me stiff... You have probably read about it at home so I won't go into more detail... If not I'll tell you more about it whenever I see you...

Thank you for the picture... And as for being able to get rid of things You may take ~~mine~~ my picture to the zoo and I will guarantee to get rid ^{of} over 50% of the animals within a half an hour...

Tell Frances that I will get a furlough in four months so not to run off.... Then she can decide whether I'm good looking or not... Tell her to be ready for a disappointment, a big disappointment....

I've had a bad cough and haven't been able to go on sick call... It's the first chest cold I've had and it made me feel very miserable... The cold and cough are both gone now... I had it for over three weeks...

So, if my letters aren't too interesting or if they are hard reading it is because we really don't have much time, and, what little time we do have we like to relax and

take it easy for awhile... Also if
I'm too long in answering you'll
know that I just don't have time...
Next week we start on the 60 mm
mortar... I don't know how early
we have to get up... ~~We~~ have
been getting up at 4.30 in the morning...
Reveille is at 5.00 but I have to
get up a little earlier as I have to
shave etc. and don't like to get in
on the mad rush, which is just before
and after reveille... The regular time
for reveille is at 5.45, unless like
these last three weeks there is something
special...

I'm closing now, be writing
to you as often as I have time... Hope
you are able to make sense of this
letter...

G'Bye now
Pito..

P.S. Don't forget to tell Frances
that I'll see her in a few months...

"Believe it or Not" what I miss most
is Tues. Wed. and Sat nights when I saw
the show... That's what I think most of and
miss the most. ~~The~~