

FORT EUSTIS, VIRGINIA

20 July 1943
(Tuesday)

Dear Sister and Brother,

I got your very welcome letters yesterday. Thanks a lot kids. Today Shirley and I are married 23 months. I hope that you were able to get her a box of candy.

We may not get furloughs unless we are to be shipped overseas. The 2nd Battalion, which is only one week ahead of us are supposedly issuing only 47 furloughs to men who are to go for a boat ride. All other men in that battalion will receive advanced training at some other camp in the U.S.

My main hope and prayer is that I may be stationed at a camp near home so that I may come home on passes or may have Shirley come to live with me. I do miss her so. She means everything to me. I never knew that I could love anyone so much. She means more to me than life itself. I would gladly die to protect Shirley and Laura from Hitler and Tojo.

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Well, kids, I am working this week instead of going to school. Next week is my last week here at Fort Eustis. I am going to be glad to leave here, too. I just hope and pray that I may be sent to and stationed on the Pacific Coast.

When I get home, if I get a furlough, I'll tell you all the news, or when I get a new address I will send it to you.

So long for now, kids. May God bless you. Lots of love.

Your brother,

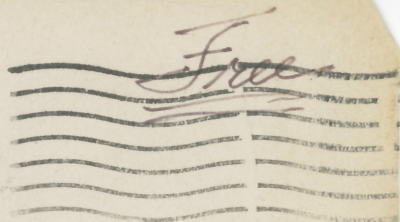
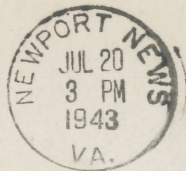
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