



UNITED STATES ARMY

12:30 PM  
Friday

Sept 29, 1944

Dear Mom and Pop,

I just came back from luncheon. We had fish!!!

In yesterday's letter I said something about General Lohr visiting camp. Well, he came to our map reading class this morning. He walked in the class and the officers yelled out ATTENTION! He looked around the class and stared at me, so I stared right back at him.


I might get a weekend pass this week. Anyway I signed out for one. Everyone did. I don't know if I'll get one yet, but if I do, I might not have the chance to write to you, so I'll write Monday night. But if I have the chance, I'll write to you from town. We're going to Jacksonville well, more tonight.



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Well, here I am again.

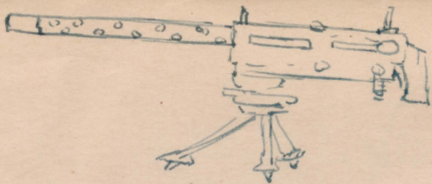
This afternoon was my good day. We went on extended order today in the afternoon. That means drill on the battle formations. That is, it's drill on the different ways to form the men in battle. We had the squads divided into three squads and of course, I was squad leader of one of the squads. We were the first squad to be the enemy so we <sup>had to</sup> hide in the woods. When we had the men (I had 16 men) scattered, I sent out 2 scouts a head to see if the (our enemy) hostile squads were in sight. About 20 minutes later, I got the report, enemy sighted, so we just wait. The enemy was in a diamond formation, that is a formation like this  the dots represent men. In this formation the squad is ready no matter which side it is attacked from.



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Well, all I did was to make my men  
form a wide U and let the enemy  
walk in. When it was ready, we simply  
surrounded them. We had a officer watching  
and we won the battle. It was a lot  
of fun.

Tonight our cabin looks like a fort.  
Besides the five rifles in the cabin, we  
have a 30. caliber light machine gun in  
here. We had to clean it so we have it  
until tomorrow. Boy, I bet the kids  
would give anything to handle one.  
Ask Freddy the next time if he would  
like to have one. Here is how it looks roughly



Well, I'll write again tomorrow.  
If I get a pass, I might not write. If  
I have a chance in town, I'll write.

God

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