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Dear folks:

Well today is Sunday again my  
day off, it rained all night and is  
still raining, it doesn't rain here  
like it does at home it rains real  
slow, we had to build a fire  
last night to take off the chill and  
we have the fire going today, we  
had a hike yesterday, it is really  
cool here all the time now and  
at night it takes two wool  
blankets to keep warm, I got your  
box last night and

The picture above is a reproduction of a mural adorning a wall of Camp Barkeley Service Center. The mural is the work of Corporal Samuel D. Smith, a soldier-artist now attached to the Service Command at Camp Barkeley to paint action pictures showing proper use of weapons.

Bob was here, I think he went  
to town last night, Emil and I went  
over to the PT and ate sandwiches and  
ice cream, they should be pretty  
easy on us soon as our bases  
is over half way done, we have  
finished a lot of our classes, and  
now we are having the actual  
practice, we go out in the field  
and carry patients, wrap them up  
it is a lot of fun and I  
really enjoy putting on bandages,  
as I have seen a lot of it  
done in the hospital, when I was  
there, we have our own student  
cook's now in the mess hall and  
they give you all you can  
eat.