



U. S. ARMY

March 20 -

Dear folks;

From the Sidewalks of New York to the Swamps of Louisiana, oh how this Army changes.

They're really kept us busy so far. We arrived here at 3:30 Thursday afternoon and at 10:30 that night we were out in the wide open spaces on maneuvers. They say that we will be here another month but I hope not.

There are about 3,000 A.S.T.P. men here and they are really taking it out on us. They believe that we have had a soft life for the last 3 months so they are either going to make us or break us. I'm in the infantry attached to an Anti-tank outfit but until I can learn more about it I can't explain what it is.

This is my 3<sup>rd</sup> night out



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And out of the fine it has rained  
2 nights and threatened to the rest  
of the time. I haven't caught cold  
yet and I'll watch myself so  
don't worry about it.

This outfit is a little tougher  
than the medics but at least we  
have something to fight back with.  
They are giving us "Carbine" rifles  
and the Anti Tank Company  
also ~~can~~ is equipped with  
57 m.m. guns, which are big  
and powerful.

I have heard ~~last~~ dirty  
in 15 minutes so I'll have to ~~stop~~  
stop now. Don't worry about my  
A.P.O. number, every combat unit  
is given one when they are on  
maneuvers. After maneuvers are over  
I will have a permanent address.

No chance for furlough for ~~me~~  
some time now, Sorry I didn't get  
home to see "Butch", maybe I'll  
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get a furlough someday!!

Tomorrow is an easy day so I  
may have time to write. I'm on A.S.T.P  
they're not going to break, so don't  
worry about me, I even sort of  
like the place.

Goodnight

Love

Bob.

Friday, This came just now  
so will send it on, no mail  
from Kenny, The Sun is out so  
we may have a nice day.  
It's about time, No News, we  
are O.K. I have gone to work,  
I'll mail this now you  
should get it Sunday.

Love,

The amt of the kids check was \$8<sup>00</sup>  
am sending a blank, you can  
send Fritz his.