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CAMP BARKELEY, TEXAS

Dear folks:

It's been a week since
I've written for some reason.
Henry got back from Lincoln
today so I've spent most of
the day with him. This basis
is over Saturday and he will
probably get a furlough starting
about next Monday. Everyone
in our company was given
furloughs except the U.S.T.P.
boys and since Henry is not
one, he should get a 7 or 8 day
leave.

I am supposed to leave
either tomorrow or Friday
for Camp Mapey in Paris.

Texas, where I will take several tests. If I pass these I will be sent to school to study either medicine, language or engineering. I'm not very optimistic for they say that 50% of the candidates fail the tests. I don't know what would happen if I ~~did~~ didn't pass these tests but I'll probably find out if I do.

It sure seems dead around here with everyone gone on furlough. I loaned one fellow \$10 and he said that he would send it to you and then you can send it to me. Henry and Ernie are already figuring out the best train connections so I do hope that they can go home.

My letter writing has been cut down quite a little now that I haven't a girl to write to. You wear my pin "mom" for Lin though with girls until



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this war is completely over.

I'm sending a clipping about Gene Smith, (Budi's brother). I found it in the paper and I'm almost positive that it is Budi's brother. It's certainly too bad for Gene was just getting started in life. If it is the Gene I know I imagine you've already heard about it, but I just found this clipping tonight so I'll send it on to you.

I'm writing this to both of you though I'm not sure whether "Mom" is there or not. I don't imagine that you had better write any more until I get to a permanent station.

Dad will you pay \$10 on my
check note, I could send it but
we won't be paid again until
Jan 1, and I'll probably need what
I have before then.

Hope everything is O.K. and
keep your eyes open for Henry
for if he gets a furlough he will
probably march home.

Tell Della and Bert that
I will write them as soon as
time permits. How is "hutch"
getting along?

Solong
Love
Bob.