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Friday

Dear folks:

Well I don't have very much time, so this letter is going to be rather short. We must suppose to take a 22 mile hike today but they changed the schedule so I don't think we are going to have it. I saw Bob last night and he said he would write you a letter so I didn't write last night. There isn't very much to say, except it is still pretty hot here. I got a letter from Gladys and I am going to try to answer it today if I have time. I still owe

Recd a letter and I
am Della + Jike one I
hope I get time to get
them answered today, I
get paid yesterday and
I got \$23.00. They took
out for bonds + insurances
but not for laundry or
my allotment they will be
taken out next month.

I am going to put \$10.00
in this letter so I will
have something to come
home on if I get a
furlough when my basic
training is over, I sure
do hope I get one, the
food here is still
getting better but I
don't seem to be gaining
any weight as yet.

water here is terrible
and we have to have salt
put in our canteen's
every time we use them, which
is practically all the time
and the chow house puts
salt in our water &
coffee so I get plenty
of salt water to drink.
The reason for this is
because it is so hot
and we sweat so much
that all the salt leaves
our system, and our
fatigue clothes are just
covered with white salt.

Well I must close as
we are about to leave
to do something, probably
drill or searching &
patrolling the hot zone.