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Camp Barkeley, Texas

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Dear folks:

Well I finally found a few minutes to drop yew a line, I had room orderly again today + I was fireman for the boiler, all I had to do was build a fire + keep it going all day so I really had an easy day, I remember in your last letter you said Roma was married, well ~~she~~ I knew it before it happened so don't worry about me as I am getting over it, you see I haven't written to her for about 6 weeks

A brand is a mark burned on live stock with a hot iron. It establishes the owner's claim to his cattle and identifies them wherever they may stray. All legitimate brands are legally recorded. They are the heraldry of the range. Ranches are often named for brands, like the JA, Straddlebug, T Anchor ranches. A cowboy represents his brand, like the SMS Kid. In general, brands are made of three components: letters, figures, pictures. They are smaller, simpler now than they were during open range days. They are read from left to right and from top to bottom. Some Texas brands are here reproduced.

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You also said something
about coming down, I don't
know what to say, except it is
up to you, Bob said he would
tell you about it. We get paid
the 30 or the 1st. so you should get
a check + maybe my bond, unless
the bond will come the first of November.
Our Basic the way it is now
should be over the 16th of Nov.
then we may get a furlough as we
might make it when Larry + the
girls get there, but I sure hope I
get to see them, maybe they can come
earlier than they planned. my basic
is getting a little easier every day
we are about through with our classes
and about the only thing we do any more
is take bike's,



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and wrap bandages & carry letters
as "stuckers" after this week we have
seven weeks left and these of
these will be ~~the~~ bivouac, which
shouldn't be very tough, the toughest
thing we have left is the infiltration
course, Bob has taken it this week
& I have it next week, will
be good & take care of things &
will try to write more later.

We got your last by Kerney
on a Saturday night.

Dallas, 157 miles east of Camp Barkley, with a population well over 300,000, is generally regarded as the most metropolitan of Texas cities, not Western like Fort Worth, Southern like Houston, or Spanish-Mexican like San Antonio. Leader in banking, oil business, commerce, it leads also in interest in music and art, has the finest bookstore in the South and Southwest, one of America's outstanding newspapers. At Fair Park, Texas celebrated her centennial of independence in 1936. Some of the centennial buildings now house museums of art, history, natural history. Headquarters for the 8th Army Service Command are now in Dallas.