



Mineral Wells  
Tues, evening.

Hello my Darling Wife & Son -

It's about 7:45 in Texas  
and it's ever hot. One can sit  
in the shade of the old apple  
tree & be wet from head to foot  
just thinking about work. And  
to think that this is cool to what  
it will be in another month.

We had a break or something  
this day. We did all that our  
schedule called for by about  
four thirty - We have had the  
time since then to clean our

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rifles & other odd jobs that needed  
to be done -

There was no letter this day  
from anyone - They were probably  
held up for a day in the mail some  
where - maybe the hot weather has  
cut down Production some way or  
the other.

The watermelon season in  
Texas has begun - They sell for  
5¢ per pound - They are not  
near so good as the watermelons  
that grow in Utah & Idaho - they  
are more soggy & tough & not so  
sweet. Maybe its the hot weather  
that causes it.

Leland Baer & I and myself  
spent 55¢ Sunday evening for  
a half - was it ever a good



Piece of mellow ——— About 25¢  
each —

We have been having lots of what they call dry run — this week so far — Just set out in the hot sun on the dry hot sand and listen to Officers beat their guns — if we look a little bored or sleepy or disgusted they send us down around a bridge and back on the double (or run) — Oh, Well, some day the war will ~~be~~ be over and we'll all enlist again.

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Well my sweet heart it would  
be good to walk from here to  
Idaho to see you & the boy for  
a little - but you know the set  
up on this damned life I mean the  
damn life. They do everything under  
the sun to make it rough for a  
fellow and they do a pretty good  
job.

So long for this evening sweet  
dreams & may the Lord bless you  
& the boy with every righteous  
desire of your heart.

Smile Smile smile

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