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Dear Wife & Son -

It is morning in Texas - The moon just ready to complete a trip across the sky. The sun is fixing to shine in about an hour or so hence - In other words and in every sense of the word it is morning in Texas - The cook woke me about an hour ago & gave me a flash light & told me to get the K.P.'S and table wipers.

From then on the past hour has gone pretty fast - but now I'm waiting for about 30 minutes to pass at which time ~~the~~ ^{The Company is} ~~the~~ ~~company~~ scheduled to arise.

You and the boy are no doubt enjoying the best part of your nights sleep. At least the part this last 10 minutes is the time that I enjoy most of all - Oh yes, one fellow left orders for me to wake him at 05:30 but that is a long time from now, 15 minutes about.

Well one good thing about this army it keeps a fellow in shape to arise early - so far we arise by 6:00 or before every day except Sunday. And on Sunday one day of the week that he could lay in bed an extra 15 minutes he can't sleep and gets tired of the bed in a short time

This is a great life - the more that we see of it the more sure we become that we don't want my boy to have anything to do with any part of this business. The less a fellow sees of this business of war the better off he is. You got to do this - and you got to do that or *?! - you'll be sorry. We'll make it so rough on you that you'd wish you'd do it this way the first time. Any thing it seems to get away from the Plan of Salvation that Christ taught while on earth.

But if we didn't have this type of military business we'd have one like Germany or Japan has - you know which is the best of that deal. So here is to the lesser of two evils.

Well, its time to wake the fellow up at 5:30 so all kinds off for this morning with lots of love to my old sweetheart.

Remember to smile & get plenty Rest.

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