

Saturday evening

Dearest Wife & Son -

Now that I am back to the Barracks and seeing as how you didn't receive a letter for last night I will build a brief letter for you at this time while the hit Parade is playing.

Why isn't this music to our ears that this deal with Japan is about to come to an end. Won't it be a happy day when all this business of destruction has come to an end. Although this fellow will be doing good to get his traveling papers by next July 4th

Still so long as we know this deal won't blossom out into a lot of time spent on the battle fronts.

This Army deal has no doubt taught me a lot of things that will be for my own good and for fellows good who live and work with me at some future day.

But I wouldn't recommend the Army training for 18 or 20 year old fellows in Peace time though why? Because the 16 year old boy is right in the Prime of life and his ways are very much plastic. ~~At~~ An 18 year old when thrown into this mess will naturally take up with what his associates aim to do. He will do what his leaders do - And these leaders in the Army are full of filthy habits

Not only do they smoke & drink but they stay out with women who smoke & drink - And women who smoke & drink won't stop at any thing so they say -

Whatever a young fellow sees he is bound to imitate so its for the nations best just to get rid of this Peace time Military Training Camps.

The Hit Parade don quit & an unconfined bulletin came that the Gaps called a quit to their military activity since the United Nations sent the Surrender Terms. ~~well~~

Well I have soap to wash & work clothes to wring out

also I haven't shaved or showered
in two days so I'll sign off
at about 9:00 P.M. & get busy
for an hour —

By the way it is foolishness
to worry about this fellow —
There are days that are rough
but I'm right along with
the leaders who smoke & drink
and eat around till time for
work about 2 or 3 days per
month - They take it so you
can see. This fellow ought
to stand the rub.

So long for now. Sweetheart
with lots of love to my swell
wife & Boy —

Remember Smile!
Leland —

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