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Dearest Wife & Son

Stand by for the latest word from this part of the good old world. We have had one hour of Physical Torture or Training and one hour of I & E discussion - so far this morning. Now we have the rest of the day for inspection on clothing and equipment.

As yet we haven't heard of any specific thing to do so here is for a short line to you and the boy from this plain old ordinary fellow down here in Texas.

The weather has moderated

a bit - the nights are a little
bit cooler & the days aren't quite so
hot. Maybe it is that we are
in the Baraboo most of the time
now - where we were sitting out
in the sun with shade all around
about 3 weeks ago.

In our G.I. discussion
this morning the fellow brought
out the point that Soldiers had
the chance to go to college on
his G.I. Bill of Rights. Up to
4 years I believe. Tuition and books
and lab. fees up to \$500⁰⁰ per year
and \$85⁰⁰ per month living expense
for a married man.

While I was listening the
thought came to my mind of
how good it would be to go
to U.S.A.C. for a few years
after I got out of this mess.

Now that I have spent this long
in the Army I feel just as
lazy as a fellow used to
feel to sit in a class
room for a few years.

From the way the old boys
talked the fellows with 1 child
or more will be returning to
their family in the not too
far distant future. They seem
to be of the opinion that
there is enough single fellows
and Volunteers to do the job in
the Army. Well here is hoping
that they are right on that
score because the sooner I get
out of this mess the better I
will feel.

One of the G.I.'s asked the question of how soon will we leave this camp? He told us that in other cycles some leave the Sat. that the cycle is over and they leave in groups of 100 to 300 till the whole B.T. has left. The job of getting rid of the fellows usually takes about a week. So from that some of us may leave in a day or so and others may leave about Monday or Tuesday. Still others may be here for a year or two.

Well its close to mail time and noon meal so I'd do well to sign off. Remember my Sweetheart keep smiling & don't work too hard. Give the boy a big hug & a pile of kettles to play with -
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