

9-1-45

Dear Folks,

I'm going to town in a few minutes and since I may not be back for 2 or 3 days I had better slack you off a line now. It is Sat. afternoon now and if I can get a room at the Hilton I'll just establish headquarters there and wait for Iris + Cecil. If not I'll come back and ~~all~~ sleep here to-night. I'm awfully confused about this visit but everything should come out in the wash.

Right now I am all alone. Jim, my roommate has gone to visit his aunt. They expected me but guess they will have to get along without me this week end since my sister and my brother-in-law are coming to see me. Everything on the base closed down from

noon to-day untill Tuesday since Monday  
is labor day. So Jim won't be back  
untill Mon. night. I think they are going  
to put us to work Tuesday or Wednesday  
going to ground school and taking P.T. Jim  
and I have't even finished packing yet.  
It is supposed to take 48 hours but  
complications arose. One day ~~they were~~ the  
X ray machine broke down and the next  
day they started painting the laboratory.  
No work is done on Sunday and Monday  
is labor day. (Should that be in @ Captols?)  
Anyway we will finish Tuesday. The d  
am going to start trying to get my flying  
time in. I need 12 hours to collect \$225  
back flying pay.

Oh yes, I got three letters to-day.  
One from Amy and two from Mama. I also  
got Iris's night letter about 2 day ago.  
No I didn't, it was yesterday. Something  
else. That was Lindsey Hankins instead  
of Doney wasn't it? If it was Lindsey  
and he is still there, invite him out for  
a meal. He doesn't go to church so  
(over)

do'n't ask him. I used to try to make  
him go and then his wife told. We both  
failed. The only vice he has is gambling  
and he usually wins so do'n't worry  
about him. The closest he comes to  
cussing is saying, "for crifes sake," He  
absolutely will not smoke or drink on  
any occasion. He's a good flyer too.

Mana, you can hitch about that  
train side I had if you want to. I'm  
hitching.

I'll tell you all about Eric &  
Cecil in my next letter.

Love,

Joe  
11/17