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Fort Sam Houston, Texas
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Dear Grandma & Grandpa,
I got your letter the other day and of course I was glad to hear from you. I am sorry to hear Grandpa is sick. Tell him to take good care of himself. There isn't any use of him getting out in any bad weather. Speaking of weather, we're having some hot weather here. I sure could tell the difference when I got back down here. Up there I was wishing I

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had more than an overcoat, and when I got here I was wishing I could take off my blouse. It was cold clear to Laco though.

I'm sorry to hear that Ray and Pearl have moved. I sure liked Ray and Pearl. However you'll have some company when Devin and Lurline get back. Tell Lurline not to work so hard that her tongue lolls out.

I'll get to come over the new Highway next summer. Tell them to take good care of it until I get there.

I'm getting along fine at the Radio School. Give

got our papers back from the last test today and mine was marked 99, the highest grade in the class. I can take about 18 words a minute now.

My friend Blakemore and I went over to the Post Photo shop and ~~and~~ had our picture made the other other day. I guess its pretty good anyway it looks kinda like me. I hope you like it.

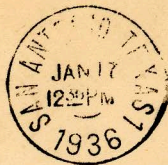
we're having rifle marksmanship now, such as Positions, sighting trigger squeeze etc. We go out to Bullis next march

and shoot for record. If ^④
I can make 223 or above
out of a possible 250 I will
get \$5 extra a month for
the next twelve months. Heres
hoping.

I got my first rating the
10th of this month. I'm
a Specialist, 6th Class now, as
a Lineman, and draw the
big sum of \$24 which is a
3 Grade. It will come in
handy.

I'll take good care
of yourself so you will
be in good health next
summer when we go to
Kentucky. Tell Grandpa and
Uncle Ed to do the same.
Lots of love
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