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Dear Mom & Dad,

I received a letter from Gary last night. He said that you haven't received any letters from me in a month. I believe I wrote you at least two letters last week. We've been on the go for the past two weeks. Half of my company got wiped out in an enemy attack one night with rockets and mortars. So I really haven't had the chance to write anyone.

You wrote and told me that you went back to work. What are you doing now if you're not winding coils?

My ear problems are cleared up now. I don't have anymore trouble with my left ear. It continued to run and bleed for two months.

The weather here is very hot now. It's about 95 to 105° during the hottest part of the day now. It's now May. It probably is getting to be real nice with Spring. I sure wish I could be home enjoying the cool spring air. How's the rain? We've received a little rain sometimes in the late afternoon for about 2 hrs. Still pour rain then suddenly just stop.

I had a grenade tossed at me. It landed in a foxhole two feet in front of me. It put a hole in my poncho, poncho liner, and flack jacket.

I was laying down at the time sleeping. It knocked me dizzy and I couldn't do anything for a few minutes. I finally came to my senses and got into the forkhole. It was the same night my company lost $\frac{1}{2}$ of our men. Two died and 22 wounded! Again the Lord was with me.

We left the all paddys and went to the mountains for two days. Now we are back in the paddys again holding security for our battalion.

Sounds to me like Dutch has really getting himself a big farm. I can hardly wait to walk on his land next spring. I thought about dad's birthday but I couldn't possibly get a card over here. Nancy's birthday is this month isn't it?

We're still out in the bush. We've been out here now 70 days with no back and no being in the rear resting up. I wish we would go back to the box for a week to rest.

They are finally got around and are going to send our packages out to us. They are kept in FN HQ. We haven't gotten our packages in 2 months however I went to the rear for 4 days and got your package then.

Well I must close. I'd really like to receive another package. Send me some peanuts - have dad send me a can of WD40 rust repellent and have him send me a

a bottle of 6-12 insect repellent. This stuff the govt gives is just doesn't work that good.

Well. I'm fine and well. Hope everyone else is ok. I sure miss everyone. Gary tells me he's coming home in one month. I sure wish I could be home in a month. I must close now.

Love,
Lenny