



U. S. ARMY AIR FORCE

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Dear Litter,

While we have a minute I thought I'd drop you a line. Today we had inspections and everything had to be correctly marked and placed on the bed. Next we had our barrack bags sterilized. After packing everything back we went to take physical training but it was postponed until this afternoon.

We had a very nice trip out. The 56 of us had two special pullman cars and ate on the regular diner leaving Atlanta about 6 p.m. Monday we arrived in Birmingham about 10 p.m. The blast furnaces were really pretty shooting flames up in the sky. Had breakfast Tuesday in Memphis. Crossed the Mississippi River and went on to Little Rock Ark. Went through Dallas but were sidetracked

for the night in Fort Starch!
After breakfast we pulled
out arriving here Wed. 10. m.
Have made some swell
friends and all in all we
had a very nice trip.

Sheppard Field has no trees
and it is very hot in the
day but the night is all
cool enough for a blanket.
However, the drinking water
is awful! The lake where
it is piped from has as its
principal content - Epsom Salts.
Of course this isn't bad enough
so they mix salt and
chlorine with it. What a
mixture! We do have, though,
water bags all over the post
with good spring water
from them we fill our
canteens.

I like it swell but I'm
only letting your life
suffice till I can get back
to Glynor Center. Tell Aunt
Bert I'll write as soon as I
can.

Best regards to Bob, Jim, and
Buddie and lots of love to you.

Trustedly,
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