

Sunday:

May 17, 1942

Dear Home folks:

I was very glad to get your letter's last Friday and to learn that you all were o.k.; hope this will find you all well; I am about the same as usual. I am glad you all got the money o.k.; hope you all are having better weather now; it has just came one rain up here sence I was down there.

Say Ellis have you all put in your applacation for a tire and tube?. Guess the tomatoes are pretty now. Have you had too poison them any-more? hope not; guess they have little tomatoes on them by now. maybe I can come down

there when they get ripe. mama:  
you did not say wheather they  
intended to have the memorial  
Day service at Timpson again this  
year, I would like to Come if they  
do.

That sure was a nice present  
Lillie & Everette sent you for mother's  
day. what did you get yourself out of  
the money I sent? I would have got  
you a present, but I thought you  
could get it better than I.

well, they just kept ~~on~~ on  
after me to buy some Bonds, so  
I signed up to take \$2.50 a month  
out of my pay, you see that will ~~have~~  
leave me \$27.00. You know they  
were already taking .50¢ out. I  
think I will get a raise in my

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pay about June 1st. I have not got my Check yet, guess I will get it this coming week.

I just got a letter from Lillie & Emma Dean the day I got yours, They were O.K. Emma Dean said she intended to come home in July, but she may have wrote you about it.

Ellis, how many acres of peanuts did you get planted? guess you all have all the corn thined by now; Has Bennie got moved yet? what did he do with his crop? guess I should not be asking so many questions.

Guess you all heard about the bad fire here at Wilketa, it sure was bad. There are still two people missing, it burned two Hotels, one a seven store (Over)

building and the other a three store building. There was a army boy from out here that happen to be sleeping in one of the Hotels that night, he had one hundred dollars got burned up with his Cloths and he got burned a little bit.

I want to go to Church tonight as I did not get to go this morning. I don't have any news, trusting I will hear from you soon.

Love, Lenard.

P.S. mama; what did you all do about signing for sugar rationing Cards, did you register for it? Lillie said she got one for Emma up there.

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Dear Dennerd:

Hope this will find you all O.K. I am about the same as usual. Oh yes; And this is your birthday I think, did you get the Card I sent you with the pin? hope you did. I got you a suit of underwear, hope it fits you. I tryed to get a suit of rayon, but I Couldn't find any large enough for you, this is for your birthday. How are you and Ellis getting along with the work? Guess you are thure thining Corn by now.

Did Emma Dean write you all about coming home in July? she told me that she was coming,

when have you seen Howard? does he have any teeth yet? I got a letter from Dorothy the other day. She said that 25 boys left Center to go to the Army and 22 of them were married. oh yes; I have got two (2) Graduation Cards, guess I will have to get them a little present.

I had my picture made a few days ago with a pistol on while I was on duty. I will send you one as soon as I get them.

How do you like to prune tomatoes? guess you will have to send me some when they get ripe. Did you help plant the Cotton and peanuts? Did you all get the bushes cut? hope you did. I don't have any news, ans soon.

Love, Lenard.