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Dear folks,

Sorry I waited so long to write but have been pretty busy and also haven't had any postage. I got the letter you sent to Dick - also the Xmas Card. It didn't come by air mail tho. I think you have to use air mail stamps.

Hope everybody is getting along ok. I'm getting along fine. We are nearly through with recruit drill. We fired our rifles last week. I didn't make much of a score. The rifles kick worse than a shotgun.

Corporal Lackerman, who has charge of Ctry recruits, is a nice fellow. I think he likes me pretty well - He makes me room orderly nearly every time we have inspection. He is going to speak to the Post Commander about getting me a job at the Radio station.

I was sorry to hear that Russell is not very well. I don't think basket-ball should hurt him tho if he doesn't play too hard. ~~Did~~ Did he ever get the belt I ordered? If he doesn't get it I certainly will look that fellow up in Atlanta when I get back.

I was about to forget to mention it but I got the papers ok. The pictures were

better than I thought they would be.

Yes - I noticed in the paper that Bernice and Alice had their names on the honor roll. Tell Russell I want to see his name on the honor roll in the next paper I get hi.

Everything ~~is~~ is all decorated up for xmas here. It's too hot here to seem very much like Christmas though. I suppose it is pretty cold there.

I would like to have Willie's and Kenneth's and Amos' addresses. I think Amos' is ~~Hammond~~ or Louisville Tenn but am not sure. How is Uncle Will? I sure hope he is getting along ok. I expect to write to him soon.

I suppose Grandma is getting along alright. Tell her I intend to write her also.

Tell Dude Hall to write to me. I would also like to hear from J.D. - Rex - Billie etc.

OK about Cecil getting his papers fixed up. I don't think he will like the Army life but it won't hurt him any. - I guess this is about all the dope here so will close. Will try to write Rooper next time.

Love
John

merry xmas -