



JEFFERSON BARRACKS
MISSOURI

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Texarkana

Dear Mama,

It seems that I haven't heard from you for some time. I must have misplaced your last letter, can't find any from you except very old ones. Did Alice give Dad the list of tire numbers which I gave her?

I am sorry to hear that Uncle Fred is so poorly. Hope he doesn't have to be taken away.

From what Jewell wrote Dad must have had most of his hay rained on. Sure hope it didn't ruin it. You will need plenty if you winter all the ~~stake~~ stock you have. Have you sold any of the cattle yet?

The company ~~it~~ is working a swing shift now. The remainder of this week and next, our hours are



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4:30 PM to 1:00 AM. For the two weeks following we will work the day shift.

I am planning on taking a few flying lessons at a small CAA field near here. I think I can get a students pilots permit in about two or three hours. I will need my birth certificate and my log book (the one with the stiff binder). Would also like to have the brown note book I left. It has flying instructions in it - how to do stalls, spin ect. Could you send them to me soon?

Did you send the radio to Dorothy?
I had a letter from Bill last week - haven't heard from Johnny lately.

Love to all

- over -

Russell

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I didn't tell you what kind of work I am doing. I am supposed to be a section chief with a crew of three men. We ~~must~~ work on the assembly line - install valve guides, valve seats, grind valves and seat ~~these~~ them.