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Dear Mom + Dad:

Got your two letters today sure was glad to hear from you again. Judy wrote and I got one from Ginger to. This was the first mail I had for five days now. Aunt Francy wrote and I got her letter yesterday. She said that she was at Vick's when you and Dad called them. I wrote back to her last night. Boy they sure are shooting off a lot of flares tonight. It's now 10 o'clock Monday night May 29. I have to go out on guard at two o'clock in the morning to Dix. There has been a VC Regiment not too far from here and we are putting on extra guards for the last two nights. Anyway I wrote to Vick the day before yesterday he wrote to me also. Been getting quite a bit

of mail from all of them
in Penn.

Hear you and Dad have
been doing some fishing
on the week ends. Sure
do miss fishing season this
time of year. There isn't a
clear stream anywhere in this
Country. The rivers are so muddy
they look like chocolate milk.

I sent home two rolls of film
that ive taken over here
and have another one ready
to send. Let me know if you
get them. I think there are
a couple of pictures on them
from Ft Campbell. By the way
how did those other slides turn
out? Sure would like to see
them. When you get those
slides developed take my money
to have them paid for so you
won't have to wait for them.

This next roll I am sending
has the pictures of the
an strike that we were
observing from a helicopter.
Also have some of a whole
bunch of little kids who came
running out to the Chopper
when we landed in a rice
paddy by their village. They
should be real good pictures.
I sure wish I knew how they
turned out. Why don't you
have a few prints made
and send them? But pay for
all the film and pictures
with my money in the
bank. Now I want you to do
that OK? Film is kind a hard
to get in the Px when you
want it so maybe you could
send me some. Make it for
slides. This Px doesn't amount

to say much and sometimes
when you want a roll of
film they never have it.
I am out now. I am flying
out of here tomorrow morning
to go and pick up our pay.
Tomorrow is payday thank God.
I should have quite a pile
of money this time. Almost
200.00 I'll be sending some
home each month so just
put it in the bank. They
asked us today where and
when we wanted to go on
R+R. I am going to Bangkok
Thailand. One whole week
off to go to another country and
do as you please. I may change
my mind and go to Hawaii,
I am going in November sometime.
They give us our choice where
we want to go. The US inst
included. They are trying to get
it in.

a lot of guys who got to go
home for a week wouldn't
come back. of course I wouldn't
blame them one bit but it
wouldn't do a person any good
either. just make it worse
for himself. Well guess I better
get some sleep befor going on
guard so take care now
and keep writing. I am always
thinking about all of you and
home. one month gone already.
take care now.
Love Ron

P.S. That newspaper clipping
of me was really something
wasn't it. I am a pretty big
cheese now. huh?