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Dear Mom + Dad:

Got your letter today
sure was good to get some
mail. We haven't had any
for 3 weeks since we moved.
We moved almost 700 miles
north. We're about 6 miles
north of Hue and 13 miles
west of Khe Sanh, 30 miles
from the DMZ. Hue is flattened
to the ground from the battle
up there. We're living out in
the boonies again in tents
with dirt floors just like it
was when we first got to
Dau Pung. We're supporting the
101st Airborne Div. They are
moving out of our base camp
now and moving farther up
into the mts. The 82nd Airborne
Div. is supposed to move in
in their place. They just left
the states not so long ago

as you said in your letter.
The war up here is a lot
worse than down in the
Delta. There are nothing but
NVA up here, just a few VC.
The area is all mountainous
around here and we've had
4 of our ships shot up before
we even got our maintenance
set up. They are still down.
We've been digging bunkers
and filling sand bags like mad.
I dug my hole right next to
my bed. It's about 5 ft deep.
Covered it with steel railroad
ties and covered them with
sandbags then covered the
whole thing with dirt.
Everyone is digging in deep.
A lot of the guys are putting
their bunks underground and
covering the top with

sand bags. all we have to
do is roll out of bed into
a hole. Comes in handy
when mortars and rockets
come in.

Shower is dirty around here,
we have to wash our own
clothes with the water we
can steal from the shower point.
That comes out of a river 2 miles
from here. Well guess there isn't
much more to say so I'll stop
here for now.

Bye for now
Love Ron.

I DIDN'T EXTEND OVER
HERE EITHER. I WAS
TOLD I AM ON ORDERS
FOR GERMANY. DON'T KNOW
FOR CERTAIN YET.