

7 Dec 1965

Dear Mom & Dad,

Well here it is the 7th of Dec.
About 24 yrs. ago WWII started.
Not much change from then
and now is there. We are still
in a war. Seems kind of silly
to me.

We haven't been doing much
lately. The rest of the company
went out on an operation this
morning. I'm the only officer
here. Sure seems good to
stay back once in a while.
There hasn't been much activity
around here. Fact is its been
real quiet lately. About the
only firing is from our own

people. Hope it stays like this
and we never see any VC
while we're here.

That fighting you hear that
the Big Red One is doing sure
isn't here. It is mostly west
of us.

Today we finally got started
building a shower for our
company. We should have it
done in a few days. We do
still have a shower in the
Battalion but it may be moved
out soon so we got to build
one ourselves.

It sure looks different now
here from the day we got
here. It was all jungle when
we first got here but now
we have a tent city built

and it looks like home when
we come in after an operation.
Sure hate to move from here
if we would have to. I don't
think we will but you never
can tell.

I see by the paper where
they may send more troops
over here. I hope they do so
we can get this war over with.

I have been getting your
packages in about 5 day from
the time their mailed. Those
popcorn balls were sure good.

Have you been up to Big
& Bobs yet? I write to them
some but not as much as

I should. I don't have that
much paper left and am about
out of Envelopes. Maybe I
can get some in town or Saigon
if we go down again.

Well I got to close
now so I'll write tomorrow.

Love Ray