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By the time you receive this letter you should be finish with the first six weeks of school or deep in the school year a lease. Time is going fast out here. One sixth of my tour is over. Football season has started back in the world. Barbara and Tanner are at Tech and Richard is at the Rocking Horse School.

Which courses are Barbara and Tanner taking at Texas Tech? Did they end up paying in state ~~the~~ fees?

I have received a couple of letters from Larry. He will be off for Germany soon. I don't think he will get married. He broke up with his girl and want say why.

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The last few days my platoon has been working its way down a long high ridge. We have seen little and done less. Time does more fast so I like it. I am a little sick at this time. We don't have a medic because of the ~~status~~ shortages in Vietnam. I will be A. I just need time. Don't send me any medicine because by the time it gets here I will be well.

The cool aid is very good. We ran out of water the other day because we are working in very hot weather and on a high ridge away from creeks. Two nights ago a thunder shower ended our water problems. Using my steel helmet and my poncho I captured about six quarts.

Yesterday I went out with the cutting party while my platoon sergeant stayed back at the camp. Today I am staying back in the camp. This gives me a chance to clean up, sleep, drink cool aid, write letters, read, and dry up some.

I am keeping up with the news out here but it is not a regular ~~daily~~ daily event. Back home I had the CBS/NBC news each night on TV. Out here I read the Stars and Stripes Newspaper which comes once every three days. Also along with the mail we receive some magazines like Time, Newsweek and etc. The magazines are written for Vietnam and are not the same as you

receive back home. The news is not censored. I read every thing and still I am hungry for more news. I even miss ~~the~~ radio news. We do not even have a radio out here.

The Army tried to pay me \$1675<sup>00</sup> in the field. I refused to take it because in the field I can't spend it or deposit it anywhere. I can only carry it ~~around~~ around which is very dangerous over here. I now have \$200 on me right now. I am spending about \$5 a month over here. I ended up getting the money into a government deposit at 18% interest. I still hope to clear 20 to 25 thousand by the time I leave the Army (April 73). Of course with

today's inflation that is nothing.

News on the economy is rather hard to follow. I can read about it but it is well over my head when it comes to understanding it. Nixon has started some of the biggest changes in economic policy since FDR forty years ago. Nixon really wants to win in '72. Price & wage freeze, import tax, tax cut and aid to business.

Well I am writing in circles now. Will write again later.

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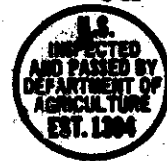
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