



UNITED STATES ARMY

Dear Mom:

Camp Adair, Oregon  
7 July 1944

Received your last letter this P.M. at 6:00 and I'm answering it right away as you asked. I think it will be all right for the kids to go to Pearl's for a week. You have my permission to let them go one at a time. I feel like you should have a little rest from being bothered with them this summer any way. I'm sure they will be O.K. with her as she has always looked after them as if they were her own. I got a letter from Virginia also this P.M. telling me that Dad was not working at Upland any more. What are his plans? I hope he doesn't have to continue to work in the mines. Tell him I said to take it easy and try to get a place of his own if he could. I finished paying for a bond in June so you should receive a \$25 bond for me right

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away from Washington. Starting this  
month I'm taking the new G. I. Bond  
for soldiers only. It's a \$10.00 bond  
and costs us \$7.50. I'll get one a  
month from now on. To-morrow  
we will be on the range all day  
firing the machine-gun for record.  
I hope I make expert as our Co.  
needs a heavy-weapon sergeant and  
I could use the extra money you  
bet. I'm still gaining weight but  
may lose it when we get to Missouri.  
By the way after July 20 send my  
mail to the new address which is  
on a card I filled out and sent  
to you. The cookies were good  
and I look forward to another  
batch. Now, about the \$20.00 I asked  
for in my other letter here is what  
I need it for: I send my wrist-  
watch off to Chicago to be fixed  
and I expect it back any day and  
I need money to buy cig. and etc. for  
the train trip to Missouri. I wouldn't  
have asked for it except I understood  
the coal Co. was paying vaccination  
money to all who are in service  
that were on their payroll last year.  
I hope that is right. Well I've got to  
close with love to all. Good-bye.