

**Mar. 20**

**Dear Folks,**

**This is been a hell of a day. We didn't do much but they ran us up to the MD for some typhoid shots. Wow! When they hit a guy they really take the life out of him. Only got about five or six more coming up. Oh well we'll live forever, the way they take care of us.**

**Corp. Wilson called for eight men to help move a water purifying unite. So I got to see what that what takes care of the water problem when we're in the field. Boy the stuff it takes! There are three booster pumps each powered by small engine—a little bigger than a washing machine. Then there is the main pump unite--same power the main unit has small tanks under pressure to put in I don't know what. Then there's a big bag with a hose leadin in and out to add chlorine. Then there is a pressure tank that holds about 50 gal. Boy is that thing heavy. After you get all this loaded in a truck there is about a half a ton of hose. Kanvas tanks, wood floats to hold up the hose in swamp ground, and a lot of testing equipment. The "old man" our "Lewee" told Wilson he will be made Sarg. in about a month. Any body with a fair education and three months service has a good chance for rating in this outfit.**

**There a lot of screwy young pups they like the horse around. But I guess they'll straiten out as on the end of a shovel. After we got done with the water outfit, we went onto the parade ground to help level off some of the humps. Sarg. Drake was in charge: He's to darned easy on us. All we did was hold the WPA pose till four 4.1h**

**The way it looks now I'm in Co.B off the Engr. Bn. for good. They cleaned out most of the fellows I came down with. I'm beginning to think this is a darn good outfit. We'll have to know how to do anything they can think of. When we get all of our stuff lined up there's no army in the world that can stand up against us.Right now the trucks and tanks are comming in bigger numbers every day.**

**I just saw a map of California and we are about seven miles from San Luis Obispo. About seventy five miles from Santa Barbara. It don't make much difference we can only get 12 hr. passes and they are few and far between.**

**I'd shore like to see this camp from the air. It's too darn big to cover on foot in a day. We could have gone to the show tonight down at No.2 theater but that's about a half a mile away so I think I'll stay "home" tonight. Last night we went down to the PX Post Exchange. Pvt. Harr from near Aberdeen and I had to stand in line for about half an hour to get in. We got filled up on ice cream tho. When they got when we get a few more building finished some of the other**

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**Cos. will go someplace else.**

**I just got corrected on her location. We're about half way between San Luis Obispo and San. Barbara.**

**I hope I get some mail soon it's hard to think of things to write about without prompting.**

**So long for now Lyle**