

Sunday.

Company "C"
603rd Tank Destroyer Bn.
Camp Hood, Texas

Hello Lil

Hoping you are all in the best of health as I am down here in camp after all that Thanks giving turkey.

Well Lil we received our final instructions and are already loaded for our big test run to Corpus Christie - we leave to -morrow and we believe its going to be one of the toughest & roughest trips we ever made in the army. A great deal is expected of us and the outcome of this trip. Many big shots from Washington will be on hand as well as the manufacturers of the Buick concern who built this T-70. Well cross rivers and go over the roughest country we can find, night & day and well drive complete blackout at night. On our way back

the last 175 miles back to camp we are going to have somewhat of a race so we can give the destroyers hell and really see what it got. At Corpus Christie we expect to go out to sea about 100 miles and make a beach landing. We'll have live ammunition and fire all the guns.

Here's the part that we don't like - of course all this is a military secret. and while we are gone we will not be able to send any letters telegrams or make any phone calls and that goes both ways I won't be able to receive any mail what so ever. So for about fifteen days you will not hear from me and you don't have to write either so tell the others please.

Please don't worry now I believe everything will be alright.

I received Maspack alright and it was delicious - honest & thanks

So long for awhile now and don't forget you won't hear from me for awhile
Love to Ma + Pa - the rest Jim -