



AMERICAN RED CROSS

Wednesday, Feb 9

Dear Mom,

I had expected to send you my second letter from my permanent base. However, I'm still at the same place, but expect to go north very shortly.

We have been leading a country club existence here, but now it's beginning to get on my nerves. It's difficult to find enough to do to occupy our time, so that we've been doing the same thing every day. After breakfast in the morning, we go to the library write letters & read until time for lunch. After lunch we go swimming in a river about 3 or 4 miles from here. It's the clearest, cleanest water I've ever been swimming in. In some places it's as much as 20 feet deep, but you can see bottom, & it's just the right temperature, too. When we get back, we have supper, & then see a movie at one of the places around here.



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The weather here is really nice - real California weather - & that is the only reason I might have for wanting to stay here. I know that up north it's going to be much better.

How are you & everyone else at home? If you have written, don't expect answers to your letters for some time yet, because I won't get them until I reached my permanent base & notified the San Francisco postoffice of my permanent APO number.

That's about all the news for now. I'll write you as soon as I get to my permanent base, & let you know my permanent APO number. Give my best to everyone at home, & let me hear from you.

Love,

Marty