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Hello Mardy.

Just received another letter from you yesterday and was sure glad to hear from you. I must apologize for not writing before but I have been pretty busy. We have moved from Tent City over here to Hadnot pt about 18 miles from where we were and are in brand new barracks. The chow is a lot better and everything here is an improvement over that last place.

I am afraid we are going to be stuck here for sometime, but all the boys hope not.

This sure is a large base on New River as it covers over 100 sq miles, and it is quite a job to find anyone on the base when you are looking for them. Each area has so many barracks, a church, moving picture house, recreation hall & mess hall, and they are laid out in streets. I imagine this camp will be a permanent set up after this is all over. Well I suppose you thought I was on my way to Japan by now, but there is no such luck. I have had quite a job getting our warehouse straightened out after moving, but it is gradually coming along. We have most everything that you could think of here, and plenty of things

that you could not think of.
you were saying in your letter
that you would like to turn
the car in for one that runs on
bata, well that might be a good
idea. I could use it down here
right now as we only have liberty
buses running every week end, and
it is quite a tough place to
get out of. without a car.

How is the cold? all better I hope,
and how is Fred + the ponies doing.
Did he clean up yet. I bet he was
glad to get back to work after
his vacation. Grammy was telling
me about Bunny + Pete when they
were up to see you, it must have
been good to see Pete trying to go
to sleep in someone else's car.
Well I understand he is drafted
now so Bunnie won't have to worry
about him. How is Aunt Sue? Have
you heard from her lately.
I can't think of much more to write
now my dear but will write again
soon. Remember me to everyone.

Lots of Love.
Johnnie