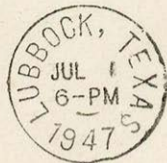


*Wilkerson's*  
COLD STORAGE



Mr. John G. Wilkerson, Jr.  
c/o Camp Sequoyah Tent 1  
Weaverville, N. C.

Sublock Dec 7-1-47

Dear John; I don't believe you are doing a very good job writing us. Howard writes nearly every day and tells us something - even though it's nothing more than hello. I think he will know how to swim when he gets back. Will you know how to box?

This canoe trip to Lake Agassiz in Nantahala mountains - near Franklin n.c. your mother wrote and asked you about - why didn't you answer her?

She wrote you via air mail - about a week ago to ask if you were particularly interested in the trip - July 7<sup>th</sup> through the 11<sup>th</sup>. If you want it go, tell Mr. Sirley to charge it off (the \$25.00 fee for the trip)

your canteen fund and go along with them - but write me before you go in case you do decide to go - so I can send some more money over for your canteen fund. If you want to go I think this letter delivered to Mr. Sirley will handle the situation - if not write me immediately and I will get the fee to you before the seventh.

The house job is coming along nicely - the inside work is slow and will take as much time I guess as it has to get the walls up and the roof on. How are you getting along fishing? How are the horses? are you really learning to ride? are you ready to throw that air rifle away now? Polish up on your swimming - get up close to the instructor and get him to teach you as many of the final points about swimming as you have time for.

Yours  
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Daddy never had a chance to learn swimming that way - he had just had to jump in - then sink or swim. Write us soon - tell us all the news

Daddy

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