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WEAVERVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

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Dear Mom, Dad, and Mary,

I got your letter of the 3rd yesterday.

Please send us a new Chevron gas card.

If you get around to it, order the heaviest ring they make in a size 9 for me. It is the

Senior Ring at Sester's that I am talking about.

I bought \$3.20 worth of gas at Ridgecrest yesterday. I will send you the slip later.

If you have any plans about a Studebaker, you will need to send the back seat over, if you want ^{the Chev.} sold over here. I am going to get a price on a Studebaker tomorrow will write you as soon as I find out what the price is.

July 7 - I just got your other letter. I will check on Plymouth's as soon as I get a chance. It will be hard to do any time before camp is out. It is raining hard today & I doubt that I will get to do much checking. I don't know that buying a car up here would be so smart. Wouldn't you be taking a chance on getting another dud like the Chev. I think that the lack of an oil bath on the Chev. caused a lot of extra wear on it.

I don't know that the same thing would happen again, but it might happen to check first, I have been to the car wash since we started. I had the car washed and the mechanic said that it was loose to me instead of me. I had thought: the wait now was the only one, so I said it didn't need curing. He said it would probably run a lot longer without tearing up or busting anything much, but thought it would probably be more oil than it should. We can finish this trip in it easy enough, but it may use a lot of oil.

Tell Mary we got her letter the 5th, we leave on our Embassy trip date after tomorrow. All our washing on a tower + I can't get down today. For now we'll go for the + the + the morning we leave, I will try to get the price on a car in Mexico. Mary I will try to get the information I get to compare + have a little more time. I'll be back in a few days. I hope Mary didn't get to see on the road. I'm just writing as I think, and I think I think I'm sorry. I don't know you can buy a truck + a pickup for. What do the prices run in comparison with Mexico? A lot of people think that Mexico is a great thing to do for the money. I think we're really going to get a new car we have for fear of getting burned some way or another. I don't know, but I would love to get some plates + little things that would quite a bit to the car. I hope you will have

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to check on cars after this letter, I send no prices
you can get car for + prices I can pay. I will find
out what cooks, I will phone you if I find a buy, &
if I don't, I won't bother. We can leave camp the
morning of the 23rd, or late in the evening on the
22nd. If we leave on 23rd, we could go to Asheville
& check on car prices phone you if we found buy,
then I want to see Baptist camp at Ridgecrest & Chimney
Rocks which is it for either. Then we could leave
which ever way you want us to go. If you want to
buy a car + Mother + Mary are coming over, why not
let them get in Asheville early on the 22, find a
car, if possible, + come out to camp that evening
& let us show them around. Next morning we could
leave. If you want to sell Chev, you could let them
come out + get it, + then go back to town. If you
let them come and they come a day early, let me know
so I can leave boys here or send them back from
Canoecamp. Please write back immediately so I
will have answers when I get to Canoe camp. We leave
Sat Wed. morning. Sat morning camp truck leaves camp
to pick us up. It brings all mail through 7 today.
The next char will be about four days later when
Chief comes down to take pictures. In my financial
statement I forgot to include a couple of items \$4.75
for ice cream + cake for Howard's party + \$6.25 for

car storage, I think I can in the red use night
send \$10.00 to \$15.00 to clear up camp debts. I went
to town other day while I was there I took all
mine. Howard's clothes to wash & wash
got to crammed bag washed for \$1.00 & also dried.

Daddy, I hope you will stick with that diet
& lose that 50#. It won't hurt you and it will
probably help you an awful lot. Please send
route you think best as soon as possible, if
mother & Mary aren't coming. If they are, let us
know & maybe I can get into meet them on arrival.
I will try to write you all Sunday after
we get to canoe camp. It rained about three
hours this morning & I may be able to stay
cool & clean now. This is the first day the
ground has been wet since we get here. Howard
is scratched us pretty bad. He just scratches
every little he gets. I can't talk to him and get him
to stop, so I guess I just as well forget it. Jim
Callaway cut my hair the other night. It is as
short as I have ever had it and even a little shorter
than that. I am afraid that the Smoky trip
is really going to fix Howard. I am going to
try to get him packed as light as possible. I
have got to write a couple of more letters. Enclosed
you will find letter we received from Rome. Why
not answer it in relationship to a reunion. Ed to go,

Love
John