Ut Jungs Bu, Korea
14 Sept 51

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1. Would you hold on to the apt & if so, at what cost monthly? Remember that our rental allowance would be taken away, and my present rental allowance amounts to $90.00 monthly. Any monthly rental cost in U.S. in addition to the loss of $90.00 monthly is something to ponder before deciding hastily.

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There are officers over here who left the Army as 1st Lt in '45, '46, and '47 and joined the NG and came back as Majors or 2Lt Col. So I want to know about NG now.

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2. Two years more from wife and family would probably award me with a divorce and loss of the darlingest wife and daughters on this side of the universe.

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Did you receive all three boxes that were in the mail at the time you last wrote me about one received? One was a large wooden box with golf clubs; another had clothing & confections; and the third had my small radio & confections. Did you get them all?

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Here is one thing I have been planning to write you about for a long time – THOSE ENCYCLOPEDIAS that belong to Sgt McAFFE. Please write me disposition of them.
Set McAfeedesires that they be mailed (shipped) direct to his home in Texas to the following:

MRS. ANGELINA MCAFFE
GENERAL DELIVERY
SHINER, TEXAS

Now please do this and let me know the shipping cost. Let McAfee will reimburse me for the money spent. He has been asking me about this every time I see him. It certainly will be a relief to me to be able to tell him the books are in the mail to his Texas home.

Enclosed are two pix taken in Uisongbu, Korea in July '51.

Hubley

(Handwritten signature)
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   Love to all the family + in laws

   Hubby

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