

77th School Squadron
Ellington Field, Texas.
August 20, 1942

Dear Mrs. Battson,

Please forgive my delay in writing this letter of thanks and appreciation for your very lovely box of candy but it was due to conditions beyond my control. I have been away on maneuvers for the past month and therefore did not receive your package until I returned to the field. And might I say it couldn't have arrived at a more opportune time as we hadn't tasted any sweets during our maneuvers so you may well imagine how much the fellows and I appreciated your candy.

Army life isn't hard after one becomes accustomed to it but there is one thing we never become hardened to and that is being away from home and all our old friends. You will never know how much your kind remembrance

did to help that lonely homesick feeling.
Such spirit of yours and the other members
of the Christian Church prove to me boys
that you and everyone back home is
doing his part, we promise you our
part shall also be done.

Again I want to ^{thank} you and the
Christian Church for the Candy.

My best wishes to you and your
family.

Sincerely yours,
Garnden Young.

Sergeant J. C. Young
77th School Squadron
Ellington Field, Texas.

17th School Squadron
Ellington Field, Texas
August 20, 1942 -

Dear Mrs. Fickels,

Please forgive my delay in writing this letter of thanks and appreciation for the lovely gift I have just received but it was due to conditions beyond my control. I have been away on maneuvers for the past month and did not receive your very nice letter kit until I returned to the field.

Mother explained to me about the ladies of our church each taking a boy in the service and sending him a gift to show that you, too, were doing your share and had not forgotten. If every boy appreciates the kind remembrance as much as I did and I am sure they do your plans have been a success.

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Once again I want to thank you
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me. In the letter I told her that we became accustomed to army life very easily but that we never would become harden to being away from home and all of our friends. Such things as your remembrance does much to show us you haven't forgotten us. With the people back home doing their share as you and the members of the Christian Church are I can promise we here won't in turn fail you. The situation may look dark at times but never fear in the final count we will be the victors.

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