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Dear Mother,

This letter is being written with the new fountain pen you sent me. Thanks very much for it. It was such a bother to try and write with the other one as it would not feed properly.

I received your letter of July 24th today and Betty's letters of August 6th, a birthday card from Jean Mother [sic] and a telegram saying, "Happy Birthday Darling" from Jean.

I just a few minutes [sic] received my birthday present from the fellows, [page 2] I was thrown in the static pool, a pool of water used in case of fire, with my clothes and all.

Tomorrow is my day off. I am going to town and try to go horseback riding and maybe I will go swimming again if it is a nice day. Today has not been such a bad day.

I have written to Joe Leeah. I hope that he writes to me soon.

I will close now and answer some more letters.

Your son,
Tom D