

# FATHER OF THE MONTH



Dear Boys and Girls:

As Father of the Month, I want to say "Hello" to each of you and hope everything is going fine wherever you may be. I am really not a good hand at writing letters, but I am happy to have the privilege of writing all of you at one time.

Lawndale hasn't changed so much since you left. We see the same familiar faces everyday, coming and going to work. I'm sure if you would close your eyes, wherever you may be, for a moment and let your thoughts wander back here, you will be able to picture Lawndale as it is now. There is, of course, a big crowd always gathered around the "Hoover Rail" interested in a big checker game or waiting for the time to come to go to work. Then, when the whistle blows, every-body is hurrying home or rushing into the post office expecting a letter from some of you fellows and girls. I suppose some of the biggest changes are that all the cigarette shelves in the stores aren't packed like they were when all of you were here, and you can't go in and call for a big juicy steak and always get it - Then there's the food and gas points - You boys and girls, I suppose, don't know much about those things - or at least those of you who have been in service since the beginning of the war. But we feel these are very small sacrifices compared to yours, and we want you to know we are proud of you for all the things you are doing and going through in order to make this a better world in the near future, and we back here at home will try to do our part so your hard-ships won't be in vain.

We "Dads" know you are every one the best of soldiers. We realize you didn't ask for the job you have been given to do, but now that it is necessary we are glad you take it like a man and that you count it an honor and a privilege to serve your country. Again I want to say we are proud of you.

Gene, I certainly have missed you being here to go frogging and fishing with me this summer, but we're all hoping that by next year, all the boys will be back home to do the things you like to do most.

May God's blessings be with you and speed the day for your safe return.

Your "Dad" of the Month

Sam F. Lee

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Then there was the draftee who claimed exemption on account of poor eyesight and brought his wife along as evidence.

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"Pop, I need an encyclopedia for school."

"Encyclopedia! Nothing doing! You can walk to school like I did."