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Thurs. Morning Dear Gary, I received your very fine letter of July Ith, and was more than glad to hear from my heat huddy again. Thank your fourthe grand letter I have this date finder your and your entire famely en the that of health, buck, and happeness as for mypell time. Dam doing fine in all at the present time. It is quite alright that you did nat write me svaner, for I daunder stand that you are an your summer vacation, and alut of your time is takenup. I da nat want ta enterfere with your summer vacation, sa please write only when the time can be spared all your letters are long awaited and are more than appreciated. I see where you are being quite a realiable young man. Ham dee you leke working an the farm? It is a very land july that it is a leavely one, which does make

youvergetrang. Jameune your mather is very proud of you, for gaing aut and finding a Job. Dam selve your Unde Dub thinks you are the last worker an his farm. I veally do like a farm, I have a good freend that awas a form and lack year, I spend a few weeks with him, and I nearly to Injoy myself, and a grand time is nearly had by me. Dalways ded look forward an gaing again as soon Dused to go to Bakersfuld quite aften when Devas stationed in California. In your aunt maygie husa hig vanchan the auterde of Bakinghell. She has quite a large of cattle, and Dam sure yau da all yau lan in your pawer to help her aut. I do know now that Sam writing to a grand and well liked fellow. Iwant to langraduate your upon henry chaser autotanding litigen aft the Goa-y Club, and Dam sure you enell continue to abide to the laws of your town and your

wonderful Country thes award is quete an hanon land you deserve alat of credit for it, you have made alot of geople very proud of you. By the date your myst be at summer lamp, and Laning a grand time. I het you are daing alat af swemming and playing alot of games and getting a mie sun tan. Hane a good time, and please let me Ensurabaut the good time had by you in your next letter? What all ded you do anthe Faunth of July? I het you had alot of fineworks, and really ded alebrate the facith with a big bang. Sune it is als affein to set of fereworks, but it day pay to be careful, for fineworks can henery dangeraus, but Dam sure you did take all safety presentions as fourmy fauth, Ihwas spend enechally of mice, thutiles the kind of mise I do not want to witness again not year.

I ded receive a very nice letter from Carole Stoppy Morley, and she sure ded wonte a grand letter. It was good heaving from her, and Smeel Cantinue woneting to the back of your always! Samesune your Aunt fruit had a nue plane strye ta large. Hone you been en an auglene? Alche to ter ride in a plane, I flew to Japan an a place, and it only tank 15 days, where as by boat it takes about 15 days, Sam sure you had a long remembered time at the zon and tauring through Chinatown. I have to clase four naw, and Devant to thank you again for the grand letter. Denell herbooking for your letter in the near future. Deay 'Lella 'ta your mather and sister, and may God Blesslack and everyone of you always. your John

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Thurs. MorNiNg JuLy 23, 1953

Dear Gary,

I received your very fine letter of July 8<sup>th</sup>, and was more than glad to hear from my best buddy again. Thank you for the grand letter it was great hearing from you. As always I hope this date finds you and your entire family in the best of health, luck, and happiness. As for myself I am doing fine in all at the present time.

It is quite alright that you did not write me sooner, for I do understand that you are on your summer vacation, and a lot of your time is taken up. I do not want to interfere with your summer vacation, so please write only when the time can be spared, all your letters are long awaited and are more than appreciated.

I see where you are being quite a reliable young man. How do you like working on the farm? It is a very hard job, but it is a healthy one, which does make

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you very strong. I am sure your mother is very proud of you, for going out and finding a job. I am sure your Uncle Dick thinks you are the best worker on his farm. I really do like a farm, I have a good friend that owns a farm. And each year, I spend a few weeks with him, and I really to enjoy myself, and a grand time is really had by me. I always did look forward on going again as soon as possible.

I used to go to Bakersfield quite often when I was stationed in California. So your aunt Maggie has a big ranch on the outside of Bakersfield. She has quite a large number of cattle, and I am sure you do all you can in your power to help her out.

I do know now that I am writing to a grand and well liked fellow. I want to congraduate you upon being chosen outstanding Citizen of the Goa- Y Club, and I am sure you will continue to abide to the laws of your town and your

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wonderful country. This award is quite an honor, and you deserve alot of credit for it, you have made alot of people very proud of you.

By this date you must be at summer camp, and having a grand time. I bet you are doing alot of swimming and playing a lot of games, and getting a nice sun tan. Have a good time, and please let me know about the good time had by you in your next letter?

What all did you do on the fourth of July? I bet you had a lot of fireworks, and really did celebrate the Fourth with a big bang. Sure it is alot of fun to set of fireworks, but it does pay to be careful, for fireworks can be very dangerous, but I am sure you did take all safety precautions. As for my Fourth, it was spend with alot of noise, I do not want to witness again next year.

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I did receive a very nice letter from Carole [[strikethrough]] Appley [[/strikethrough]] Monley, and she sure did write a grand letter. It was good hearing from her, and I will continue writing to the both of you always.

I am sure your Aunt & uncle had a nice plane trip to Europe. Have you ever been in an airplane? I like to ride in a plane, I flew to Japan on a plane, and it only took 1 ½ days, where as by boat it takes about 15 days. I am sure you had a long remembered time, at the zoo, and touring through Chinatown.

I have to close for now, and I want to thank you again for the grand letter. I will be looking for your letter in the near future. I say "hello" to your mother and sister, and my God Bless each and everyone of you always.

Your friend [[underline]] John [[/underline]]