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September 13th Letter from Don Yeager to Yeager Family

Don Yeager

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DEAR MOM & DAD

13 SEPT

STILL OUT IN THE FIELD - WE'VE
BEEN OUT 12 DAYS TODAY. I'M
NOT SURE JUST WHAT WE'RE
DOING, BUT WE'VE ONLY SEEN
THE 2 GOOKS WE GOT THE 2ND
DAY OUT, SO IT'S O.K. WE'RE IN
THE MOUNTAINS, & IT RAINS EACH
DAY. I ~~WAS~~ WENT OUT ON A
REACH-OUT PATROL TODAY & THERE
WERE THOUSANDS OF LEECHES ON
THE TRAIL. THEY GIVE ME THE
CREEPS. WHEN THEY SUCK YOUR
BLOOD, THEY INJECT AN ANTI-CO-
AGULANT, & YOU BLEED FOR A LONG
TIME AFTER. THERE'S NOTHING TO
WRITE ABOUT BECAUSE EVERY DAY IS
ALMOST IDENTICAL TO THE ONE
BEFORE. TODAY IS RE-SUPPLY, SO I'LL
GET MAIL. I GOT THE BOULLION &
WASH + DRI'S LAST RESUPPLY - THANKS.
I'M THINKING ABOUT SENDING HOME
SOME MONEY THAT I'VE GOT IN MY
POCKET, BUT I MIGHT NOT. I'LL WRITE
MORE IN A WHILE - WE HAVE TO MOVE TO
THE RE-SUPPLY SITE IN A FEW MINUTES.

WOULD YOU MAIL ME THE BOOK,
"CATCH 22" BY JOSEPH
HELLER? I'VE READ IT 2 TIMES
ALREADY, BUT IT'S SO GOOD, + MY
PREDICAMENT HAS CHANGED
AGAIN, SO IT WILL BE APPRECIATED
WELL, THAT'S ABOUT IT. TAKE IT EASY,
+ I'LL BE SURE TO DUCK, WHEN
I HAVE TO - I HAVENT HAD TO
FOR 3 WEEKS NOW.

LOVE, *Don*