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Dear Mom + Dad,

I have some news that might be good. The army has a policy where you can get a 90 day drop from your ETS to prepare for school. If I can produce a letter of acceptance from a school I can be home on the 2nd of March. I would like you to check with some trade schools around Holland or S.R. or Muskegon and let me know as soon as possible what kind of a deal I can get. If I can start a school (any school) soon after that I am sure I can get this drop. If it all works out I can get the GI Bill to pay for the school, I could go back to work at Donnelly on just about any shift so if I start school on days I can work nights or vice versa. It would be ideal if I could get a school

on computer processing or tool + die making.

I wrote the IG for all information on this and as soon as I get his reply I will let you know exactly what I need. For right now I would like you to get on the phone and find out when the classes start, how long is the course how much money est.

If this works out it might just be the break I need to get me off my ass and start something constructive for a change. This could mean that in just 5 months I could be home in school learning to do something other than work in a factory. That is a heck of a lot better than sleeping in holes, eating C rations and putting up with all of the other miseries of war.

Love
Bob