

Saturday

Dearest Hope:

Received your swell letter + so happy to hear from you + to note that you are getting along so well. I hope you continue to do so + pass all of your finals in stride.

Not a great deal of news going on around here. I've been to the dentist almost every day. They are putting in a gold inlaid in a tooth + it really is taking them a long time. My stomach has improved a little as I've been taking a dose of dope lately to settle it.

I thought the doctor was kidding when he told me that it was dope, but I found out that they registered it before giving it to me. I'm really careful about it.

Enclosed is a picture of myself + my birthday cake. It was really a beautiful piece of work. The bases on it were all different colors + the edge were two tones. If you look close you can see on it reads "Happy Birthday Merrill" Wished you could have seen it in person. The picture of me isn't so bad.

Am anxiously waiting a picture of you. By the way do you still have the pictures that

I've sent you. If you really want
a picture of me, I've a swell
one that I took recently. It'll
send it if you like for me to.

Put in for my leave on
June 1st. Hope I get it. Will be
home a few days while you are
there & I do want to be with
you. That is if you're agreeable.

Have been doing a lot
of work lately fixing up my office
here at the school. It's really
nice. By the way, if you're debating
about going to school, why not
decide on Texas U., that is if I'm
still here next fall & we'll get
to be together some.

Should be pulling Officer

of the day again soon. Have
been duty officer quite regularly
lately.

Am going to St. Worth
tonight. I've a date for the weekend
& am to play softball. I'm to
catch a fellow who used to
be the #1 pitcher in the country.

About the girlfriend situation?
Well, I was going with a nurse
who is now in England. We were
very close & if she was Jewish
I'd have probably married her, but
like it was we were just close
friends. I'm still eligible & am
trying to find a nice Jewish
girl to go with. Do you know

of any? By the way, what's your
set up on boy friends ~

That's all the news for
now so with regards to all
+ lots of thoughts to you, I am

With Love
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