

N.E. Indies

Nov. 7-44

Hello Mother;

Its really raining here at the present. It nearly washed the place away a night or so ago. I think its getting close to the "Monsoon" season here.

The food here is O.K.
It probably will get better. We have cream butter once in a while and get condensed milk. No fresh fruit so far most of the food is canned or dehydrated.

I have been getting the papers, also the "Church bulletin". I like them very much.

We have had some "milky Ways here, and did I enjoy them. They were the first I had eaten in nearly a year.

It won't be so long until "Thanksgiving". Some of the fellows have been talking about the turkey. I guess the turkey we get will be canned.

They have some good movies here. I haven't been in a few nights though.

That's O.K. about the "Cig." case. I knew they were pretty scarce and were even before I left home.

I hope you are all well. I guess "Bob" really has himself a time at school.

I got quite a few letters today. I think.

Will take it easy and tell Justin to write.

By now, J.B.K.

N.E. Indies

Nov. 9 - 44

Hello.

I heard that F.D.R.
"dood it" again. I guess
Dad was well pleased.

I got a letter from
you today mailed Oct.
31st. fast trip, huh?

What seems to be wrong
with "Eliz". just nervous
or what? I hope she
gets better fast.

I havent been to a
movie in a night or two

I get tired of them.

How's Mays stand with the army? I guess Justice will have to go and Mays will get off.

I have been working outside, digging holes for soapage, pits, etc. I guess I will be loaded down with muscles when I get home. ha.

I've lost only one pound up here. I guess I'll gain it back soon, the way I've been eating.

By - Bill

Nov. 10 - 44

N.E. Indies

Hello Mother;

I am OK. I hope every-
one at home is well. I
hope Helen is improving.

I got Bob's letter. Tell
him I was glad to hear
from him. I'm sorry
that his legs hurt.

I got 3 letters and the
Kingsport newspaper. 2
of the letters were from
you and one from Marilyn.

They didn't play around
long in calling Mays
did they?

I have a terrible appetite now. I can and do eat almost anything. I have learned to eat Carrots, Peas, asparagus, etc. I still cant eat Celery though. We dont get it here anyway so I dont have to worry over Celery.

Marlyn was telling me of the Cigarette shortage there. We have been getting plenty here.

I had my head shaved merely to be doing something. The water here also left your hair full of soap.

We are getting enough

of every thing here now.
We don't get any too much
reading material. Maybe
when we get situated
here things will improve.

I guess Marilyn Holt turned
out to be a "first class
joker" huh?

Harrison seems to have
lots of troubles, also
Katy.

Did T. go to Fla.
this year.

How's the sheep situation,
a miss no doubt?

By - Bill

Thanks a lot for your
letter, Bob. - "Uncle Willie".

155TH STATION HOSPITAL
A.P.O. ~~925~~ 926

N.E. Indies
Nov. 16-44

Hello Minnie;

I hope you are OK, and hope Helen is better also I hope Bob's cold is better.

I got three letters today from you. I am really glad to get 'em as you know. I have been getting one or two a day right along.

H.R. seems to have lots of luck in getting his boys off. huh? That seems to be life though.

How's Dad getting along with his farms. I guess he is pretty busy. Little Bob, I guess is a great hindrance.

I sent some Christmas Cards. They seemed to be very nice. They were printed on Vmail.

It still rains a bit here. The weather isn't so very hot here, at least not during this season.

Well take it easy. Maybe this thing will be over soon. Don't worry. By - Bill,

N. E. Indies

Nov 21-44

Hello, Mom;

I am doing OK. I hope you haven't been worried about me.

The weather has been pretty warm the last day or so. It seems to be trying to rain at the present.

I got two letters from you today and one from Mays. He said Fay had a girl.

No, I didn't vote. I don't think many of the fellows did. I figured

"Rossey" would win anyway.
I am getting along nicely.
I still have a great appetite.
I haven't weighed myself lately, I don't think
I have lost any.

Old "Doc." Coughlin must
be some "Cowley" yet. huh?

Robt. and "Katy" must
be a mess. Silly, "phoie".

I hope Helen is better,
or gets that way soon.

Bob seems to have his
share of Colds. Doesn't he?

I haven't recieved any
presents yet. Its a little
early yet though.

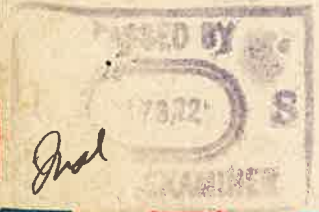
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N.E. Indies

Nov. 28-44

Hello "Leo";

I'm sorry to hear you aren't feeling very well. I have a slight cold for some reason or other, but everyone else seems to have one to.

I heard today that V.F. goes to the Rose Bowl. I was glad to hear that.

I hope all of you are alright. How is Helen doing?

I think Dobson is not so far north as I am.

I got about 5 letters yesterday.

Mail doesn't come in so
often here, about every 3
or 4 days.

How's Bob? Does he still
like school?

I would like for you
to send me some T
shirts. They are something
like those I had at home.
Short sleeves. Get white
ones if possible, and if
its possible send me a
watch. I have lost the
winding stem for mine,
and have been unable
to get it fixed. I'll
probably have to send it
home.

Best of luck. I hope
you're better. By - J.A.

155TH STATION HOSPITAL
A.P.O. 926

N.E. Indies
Nov 30. '44

Hello Mother:

How are you folks doing with your colds? I have one now and am as weak as water. I guess I'll be better soon at least I hope so.

I got a letter from Carl Goss today. He didn't say much.

The food doesn't improve much but there is enough of it, such as it is. We get cream butter and Condensed milk, which is alright. The rest of the food is mostly dehydrated vegetables and canned meats, fruits etc, not too bad as a whole.

I hear from Dean quiet after.
She says the shows aren't so
good anymore. There haven't
been many good ones here.

Marlyn told about ~~the~~ her
~~troubles~~ troubles with the Cops.
They are sort of short here at
present. I guess we will be
getting some any day now.

The war seems to be
stepping up a little over here
& good. get a lot faster and
suit me better.

Best of luck. I hope Helma
will be up and around by
the time you get this Bill

N.E. Indies

Dec. 6 - 44

Hello Mother.

I still have a cold, it don't seem to bother me too much. I think about everyone has a cold, for that matter.

It has been sort of rainy for the past day or so. It gets pretty cool during the night.

I hope you are all feeling better. Helen was telling me she wouldn't get to work for some time yet.

Aunt Anne said in her letter today, that Katy said, "Spider" was getting married. He is some joker, ho.

Every thing is going as well as could be expected here. There isn't much to write about.

Hello to all the folks

Bye Bill

N.E. Indies

Dec. 10 - 44

Svn.

Hollo.

I am getting along OK. My cold seems to be improving.

We have had a bit of rain here lately. The weather isn't so terribly hot now.

Mays seems to have had a little trouble with his car. I guess he needs to learn a little more about driving.

I see you will have to be more careful what cat he chases. Some people.

I haven't received any of the presents yet. Mail seems to be a little slow here.

I am sending some Jap. invasion money. It was money they printed to pay the natives with evidently. They say "Jap money no good" I got this from the natives

I got a letter from Bear, she
had been sleeping again as usual,
and she said she was sending to
"pops" to get something to eat.

Speaking of eating! The food
here isn't so good. Maybe it
could be worse. I doubt it. ha.

I guess you have sold some
tobacco by now. If so how was
the market. Aunt Anne said
they had a very good crop from
their upper place.

Are the highschools playing
basketball this year. Norman
said that Sullivan had a
schedule.

Old Curly must be some
Kid. Whom does he expect
to raise his family for him
If it were left to him they
will all starve. ha.

Well by far now
J.P.

N.E. Indies

Dec. 14-44

How's everything?

I am doing pretty good, my cold is better and I can eat a little better now. I hope you all are ok.

I got presents yesterday from Helen, Hyman and Wayne. They (the packages) hadn't been smashed this time, and were in pretty good shape.

I seem to have forgotten to write for a while. I put it off a day or two, then I get so far behind, it takes me forever to get caught up.

Did you have a snow recently? I guess you have killed those by now, or have you?

How's Dad Bobby and the folks. I guess Robt is anxiously waiting for Santa,

Its almost Chow time, so I'll have to finish in a hurry, I guess.

How did the bag come out. If Wayland passed HR will probably have a hemorrhage and I do mean a S—

Its been pretty wet here for a almost a week. It had been pretty dusty before.

I have recieved about three Xmas cards so far. I had been waiting for my Readers Digest for a long time. When they did get here there was about a days difference, and the Oct. got here before Sept.

We have been having a few books to read here.

Work seems to have sloshed off a bit now. We had been rather busy.

I guess thats all. I have got to go eat.

By Bill.

Merry Christmas

N.E. Indies
Dec 17-44
Sun.

Hello:

It's rather warm today.
We had quite a rain
last night, and it's a
little cloudy today.

My cold seems to
have got some better.
I hope everyone is
well at home.

I here hasn't been
many letters in the
mail, mostly packages
and papers.

Well it won't be long

until Christmas. I guess Bobby will get lots of stuff, as usual. So far I have recieved the three packages I already told you of.

We finally got our P.X. in operation. They have very little to sell. Mostly stationery, shaving creams, gum, very little candy etc.

We have a laundry here, which is very nice. I send my pants and shirts, and rarely a towel or two. The rest I do by hand.

Home's God and his

help getting along? I
guess he has a time
with them. Has he
still got "little Bill"?

Heben should be up
and around by now.
I hope she is feeling
better.

We have two goats
here ~~an~~ ^{an} old she and
a little Billy goat. I
came in the tent the
other day and the
little one was sleeping
on my bed. He
really makes himself
at home.

Well by, far now.
Take it easy Bill



UNITED STATES ARMY

N. E. I.

Dec-22-44

Hello Mother:

I hope you are ok. Bobby seems to have had a rough time, being lassoed and tied up., reminds me of my escapades in school.

I got a Christmas card from Marlie Miller today. I got presents from Wayland, and Dean yesterday.

I got a letter from Wayland today. He said he and Wayne passed.

I am ok. I seem to be doing fine. The food is still bad.

Dod's cattle seem to be going fast. I cant see where it got such a start, unless it was those dairy cows or some of the neighbors stocks.

Will best of luck and tell everyone Hello.

By Bill



UNITED STATES ARMY

N.F. Indies

Dec. 24-44

Hello Mother;

Christmas is just around the corner. I hope you have a very merry Xmas. We are having turkey tomorrow. Hallidays seem to be the only time we get anything good to eat.

I got ten letters yesterday all I got today was papers. Oh! I got a package from Marilyn today also.

I hope you all are well I am feeling ok.

You or Helen asked if I had seen anyone, I knew. So far I haven't seen anyone, Dobson must be farther down the line from here, also Dr. Weems whom Helen mentioned.

Will Merry Christmas
Best of love. By Bill



UNITED STATES ARMY

N.E. Indies

Dec 25 - 44

Hello Mother

I hope you had a grand time today. I just layed around all day, slept a little etc.

Well we had Turkey today. The meal was pretty good. I wasn't so very hungry though.

Its been rather raining here all afternoon. Its drizzling a dab now

We didn't get any mail today. I don't think the mail clerks went for it.

I hope all the folks are ok. I guess the boys, Bob and Bill got lots of stuff.

I think we have a wounded "Jop." in the Hospital. I haven't seen him yet.



UNITED STATES ARMY

My watch and pen are on the blink. I think I'll send 'em home for repairs. I have a wooden box that Wayne sent his Xmas present in. It should serve very nicely to send them in.

Well I guess we start the same old grind tomorrow. We have had it rather easy for two days in a row.

I hope you haven't been working too hard. I guess Dean is getting lots of rest now.

Did Ivan get much time off? He didn't seem to do very well Thanksgiving.

Well so much for this. I have to write the same stuff time after time. I guess my letters are pretty monotonous.

Take it easy

By Bill



UNITED STATES ARMY

N.B. Indies
Dec. 26-44

Hi "Mozj"

I am o.k. I hope you are well
Well I survived the turkey
dinner alright. I hope you
had a swell elegant ~~one~~
Xmas. I would have liked
some of that snow, you
mentioned. I guess it will
be some time before I see
any cold weather, although
we get plenty of the damp
kind. It rained all morning

Joe Miller seems to be
doing alright (according to
Joe). He is rather simple
I think. ~~He~~ "Bod Eye"
seemed to think he would
go into the Navy when
he has to go.

I was glad to hear
that Tob. was selling
good. Boy! there is a flat
of Cigs being smoked by
the army.



UNITED STATES ARMY

I was working in a ward when I asked for those shirts. I have my old job sock now and I never wear a shirt now, but they will come in handy in case I have to go into the wards again.

I said something about sending my watch and pen home. Don't be expecting them as I may never get around to sending them. I'll tell you when I actually get them on their way.

I hope Dad isn't having things to bad looking after his stock this winter. Did he have any "Christmas Spirits"? ho. I guess he did. I suppose I was got soaked again.

Mallyn didn't seem to enjoy having a lot for a neighbor ho.

By "Willie"



UNITED STATES ARMY

N.E. Indies
Dec. 27-44

Hello Mom:

I am feeling alright. Hope everyone at home is well.

Things here are the same as usual, nothing new.

I got two letters ~~two~~ from you today and one from Helen. They were a little late gettin' here.

How does H.R. expect to get Wayland off now? He must be even more simple than I thought.

Wayland writes me pretty often. Wayne writes very seldom. He must be angry at me or something. I think I'm Joe told him something.

Tell Dad and all the folks hello.

I guess that's about all.

By - Bill