

Dear Sam and Cecil – Transcription - EnterDateHere

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Dear Sam, Cecil and Arthur;

Well, received [sic] your letter today, and I really was surprised to hear from you this late in the week. I figured you only wrote on Monday, but now I can understand it. You people are going to become a respectable [sic] married couple, you are going to stay home five nights a week, also you are going to become closer to the boys in the armed services.---- Nuts. I'll bet you that if it doesn't last a week after you rest up. Not that I blame you much at that.

So Sam must look quite the boy now, with all those suits. Do they fit you?

I bet you thought that you were kidding when you asked me if the beach club opened yet. Well the army beach opened today. We do not have a bar but we do have three locker rooms, and shower baths on the beach. Not that we need them, the barracks are only about one and one half blocks from the beach. The tennis courts have been open for the past two weeks and our battery has challenged the post baseball team to a game.

The non-comm's were given ratings this week, so they handed out cigars to the boys in the battery after dinner today in appreciation for our cooperation. This isn't all phony stuff.

I am sending Pop a couple of pictures I took in town last week. They are pretty bad, but what can you expect when I was making eyes at the only pretty girl in Pensicola, while two of them were being snapped.

I passed my second class gunners exam with an 85 which isn't bad considering that the highest mark was 88. They started us off with 88 and all I had wrong was one half a question. I take my first class gunners monday. Wish me luck. This is what count's. After this all I have to worry about is my expert.

Thanks for the pipe. I have received it yet, but don't worry I will get plenty of use out of it. Tell Arthur that I may be home in about two months so he had better be a good boy and not forget me.

There isn't much more to write about now, I still have to write to Pop, Eddie and Frieda.

Regards to all

Love

Harry

P.S. Has Fred gone to the army yet?

P.P.S. Sam, I understand that Doc. Kalman comes into town weekends. I would like to get transferred to his outfit. He is stationed out in Jersey someplace and it is quite close to home.

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So if you can get his address I will write to him and try to get into there untill [sic] I can pass the Air Corps exam.

Harry

P.P.P.S. I am enclosing our post paper

Harry