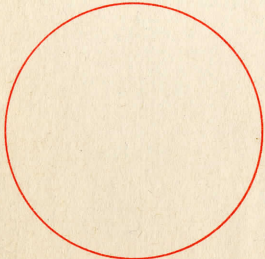


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(Date)

Dear Mom + Dad,

Heard you are all fine and in good health! That is fine. Have arrived in the South Pacific safely. Wasn't seasick at all, so therefore enjoyed the trip. It is very pretty here and are going swimming every day. The terrain here is mountainous.

How is everyone back there? Hope they are all O.K. How is the basketball team doing? Suppose you have quite a bit of snow by now!

Met Howard Wallace on the boat. Sure was a great surprise. Had quite a time with him on the way over. As a result, I got all the news from down around there.

Have any of the fellows been home on furlough lately? Suppose they are kept busy all the time. Write and tell the relatives my address and then they can write to me. Say hello to everyone and write soon.
Love Bill

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