V... MAIL

Dear Mr. [Name],

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to let you know that your name has been mentioned several times in our discussions. It seems that everyone is very interested in what you are doing.

I have heard from Hazel [insert details about Hazel's news or situation]. She said that she had not heard from you for a long time and that you folk were drifting and a lot of other stuff. I haven't heard from Paul in years lately. Our little [mention any common interest or event].

Well, dear, I've been a short note, this is mine. I have a lot of love for you. And I'll try and say better in a day or so. Bye now.

[Signature]

P.S. [Any additional notes or comments]
To: Mr. Chas. Doig
Wickenburg, Ariz.

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Dear Wally:

Received two very
Welcome letters from you just a few
days apart. Seem so good to hear
from you again. Surely hope you
can write me every once in awhile.

Am glad you were O.K. Sure hope
you still are. I am feeling pretty
good at the present time. Much
letters than any time as far since
I've been down here. Evan is O.K.
too, but for a little cold. Charlie
and the one that isn't well. Her
stomach bothering her all the time.
I can't think, I'm worried to death
about him. I shouldn't even be
writing you any trouble, but it
seems I have to spill over to some
one, and somehow you seem to be
a better pal than any one else. And
has more trouble than I do, and
that seems to go for all the rest.
I'll be so glad when you can come
home again. The way I feel I'd
just like to have you around so
I could put my head on your shoulder
and cry, hell shétte calm down, if a cinder reads this he probably won't even let you get it.

I sure hope you passed your exams you mentioned I will be 8½ when I hear from you again. I think that is a very good idea about putting away some more of your money if you get a raise. When you are not you likely don't need it very bad, and you will need all you can get your hands on when you come home. I want to start a life for yourself.

Had a card from Anna. They are starting back from Nebraska some time this week. They will probably be back here about the end of this week.

It is nice sunny day. We had another rain today after more rain. We can rain down in this country when it takes a motion.

We went up town to a show last night. Was a double feature. "I Love a Soldier," and "Night of Adventure."

Had a letter from the Prescott yesterday. They are in Aug. now at
Virginia. Maybe we'll get to see
them soon if these days. Seems
good to see somebody we know.
I've just had 2 letters from Papa
since he came down here. It is
hard for me to write.
They are building some more
new houses here in the Park.
Supposed to be 10 or more units
go up, and be ready in 10 days.
They sure need some more houses
in this country so a person can
find a place to live.
I don't know yet Wallace just
when we'll go home. We really
don't want to go until the last
of March or 1st of April, but if Char
he doesn't improve I think the
best thing for me to do is go
home & have go under the Drs.
Can stay there until he is
better. We can live cheaper up
home then we can down here,
& if he has to go to the hospi-
tal I'd rather he home among
Dr's. & friends that we know.

Yesterday day was my big day
taking care of boat. They were
really going, too. As a rule are
pretty good, but sure made up for
last time yesterday. Am glad every day with Sat. If it was 2 don't
think I'd take care of them.
I have to get busy and write to Hazel, too. I have a cute Valentine's/send her, so will put a little in
with it. She wrote me more long
letters, about the sunrise once
we get free home.
Susie Vingt e wife are living
with Mrs. Monson. They're apt
to have a private war all their
own once in these days.
You did alright get 17 letters
one crack, but as you said not
having any mail for quite a
while you should get a break.
Write fairly often. Does the paper
come catch up with you. Your
subscription ran up this and.
If you ever get it I'll have it
renewed for you.
Hazel said she was sending the
Kodak. Hope she sends me in-
structions how to use it. I have
taken a picture with one
like that. Next thing will be
finding some film.
At least I'm at the free home. I
had dinner last Charlie is eating
I thought the root would do them more good than eating. Have
things about ready so it won't take me long to finish. We didn't
have breakfast until late this
morning.

Dean is out in the back yard
building roads. He had a job hole
bored out in the back yard you
could bring a cow in. I finally
got him to fill it in so when
it rained the thing would fill
up with water and really cool.

Well Wally guess I better close
for now. Charlie plans to go look
ing for Clifford. Cheer up to be
able.

I hope you come again. I think you are
fine.

Lots of love
from us all.

Deanta, Charlie
& Dean.
Dear Hally,

Another day, so I shall splatter some ink your way. Don't know just what I am going to say, but I wouldn't have to say much to free this slip. Are having another beautiful day and I don't complain as Winter this year will be too long anyway. Arthur heard from Johnny - and Diana heard from Ernest - both are in France. The nearly school time so I must put this back till after while. Oh, before I forget. Swear in your trunk looking up some dates in your diary and I found some unused pencils. So took a cough.

Oct. 14th we had some pictures taken and the 26th we went for a ride in the truck - October 30th dance at Wilkall. Quite the memories with me saying no - reading over so this a couple of minutes to myself. Tomorrow I shall write Air mail as there will really be a couple of days collection of mail. Went down to Elliston after Mrs. Nichols' address and Stalnack - none still aren't talking - I hate it when some one who wouldn't talk to me. Augie is taking the boys to visit the cattle this after noon. Out of paper x to haven't began really yet. You always liked the envelope and never read.
6/30/1962

A train in code has left.

The engine's sound can be heard from a distance. It's making its way to the station...
plan before he left the Alumni
sum plant. It is to help take
care of hospital bills, include
Item & I, too, and only costs
us 2 a month. The amount I
witness we have should be
quite a help. Dr. said the many
from that should about take
care of the hospital bill if he
does have the operation.

Anna & I go left on the bus
Sat. night for home, & we packed
up and came to Wickenburg
Mon. afternoon. The Prescotts
had a room reserved for us
from the same lady they rent
their house from. She has other
rooms for rent. So we ate with
Prescotts stayed at this room
one night. Then Prescotts got us
this place out on the desert,
belong to a friend of theirs, & it
is about 10 mi. from town,
Cabin, all furnished, nice bed,
& cold water & tv, each more the
ranch style, & comfortable, there are
2 rooms, but we are just go-
ing to use one. It a big room
and plenty of space for the 3
of us. The nice part is it costs
no rent. So we are staying &
for a week. Any way while Charlie
rested up. Then if he had the
operation we can perhaps come
back out here for him to rest
up some more. We came out
last night, Prescotts came out
with us and helped us get
settled. They have sure been
grand to us.

Finally got a film for Anna's
Kodak & one for yours so will
try get some good picture to
send you now. It is really
beautiful out here in the desert
way. I always that a desert
was just nothing, but have
changed my mind. Surely wish
like to see it when all the
cactus are in bloom.

This letter was interrupted to get
dinner. That is over. Dishes Wash
Had a letter from Inama yesterday. Told her to write to Winterberg, so there was a letter waiting for me. She is fine. Haven't heard from Alma & Bud or Hazel for a while. They must all be busy. Maybe we'll have some mail 10 mo. when we go up town.

Ivan is busy looking for gold. Every rock he picks up he asks Charlie if it's gold. These there are minerals all through the hills out here. One old prospector not far from us. Charlie & Ivan went up to see him this morn.

Had a great old storm in parts of Aug. on the way to Mont. Abe wondered if Anna & Joe got caught in it.

Do you ever get the paper any more? Hope you do.
Well Wally I have some more letters to write so will close for now. Hope to hear from you soon now. Haven't had a letter for awhile, but know it is because you haven't had a chance to write.

Hope you are well I shall write soon again & let you know what's doing with us.

Write when you can.

Lots of love.

Bernita, Charlie & Iuan.

P. S. Fred Ply male was home on leave. Had a letter from Blanche she told me the farm went broke. Al is back mining and been in the hospital.
Wickenburg, Arizona
Mar. 18, 1948

Dear Wally:

How it is Sun. again, so will spend part of it in writing you a few lines.

Hope you are fine. We are all pretty fair at present. Charlie went to the hospital here in town.

He had his appendix out. Had it on Wed. morning. We got out of the hospital to stay at 1:30. That's what I call fast work.

He is doing fine. A little weak and shaky, but not bad. Dr. gave him a spinal. Seems to be quite a wonderful Dr. Sure had it out any I've heard of when it comes to taking out appendix. I'm so glad it is over with, and I'm so happy Charlie can feel good now. His appendix was bad, quite large.

Time has gone pretty good for me while Charlie was in the hospital. We've had all our breakfasts with Prescott, then by the time I'd get our rooms straightened up, some letter written or whatever else I had to do it would be about noon. We went to the hospital about 3 stayed until 4, then went back 7 or a little after 8 stayed until about noon, so a day was shot before I realized it. Sure was surprised when I talked in the room to day found Charlie not to come home. That he might get out to move or two. Sure am glad his out all way.

Has been kind of cloudy, rainy weather since we've been in town. Not had much. It is nice around here. Everything to green pretty.

Haven't heard to any shave since we left Phoenix. Would
and filled with poison. So it is possible it was causing most of his stomach trouble. Ivan had a bad cough. Dr. gave him 2 shots for that. Has to take one more. He had an awful cold twice sick for a day or 2 before Doctor mind the Dr., but he straightened him right out and he is O.K. now. Is busy playing out in the sand pile. I am pretty good. Toa.

2 Ivan & 2 have rooms at the same place Prescott are. They have a 2 room house, one room is at one of the other houses. Ivan had quit a few of our meals with Prescott. The rest of them, we are to join Wickersham. We may stay here a day or 26 until Charlie feels a little stronger, may not have to stay that long. Then we'll go back to the cabin on the desert until we go home. Dr. thinks Charlie can travel in about 10 days. Hope we hit nice weather & John has had letters from Ivan one from Hazel, one from Alma, one from Joyce. These Paul & Alma are going to work for Clifford Shearer as I suppose. Mama has told you. That should be a nice place for them to work. I know they were swell to Charlie once, too when he worked there.

We are getting kind of anxious to get home, see every body find out how I'm going & feel figure out what we are going to do this summer. Sue will be glad when we get a letter from you again. Miss your letters alot. As long as I don't hear from you though that is the main thing.
kind of like to go tonite but don't suppose I will.

Joyce got the Xmas card we sent her in Feb. as it made real good time.

You remember Ethel Mason. Mary suppose some one has written you the same she got herself in. Married to about 3 soldiers and no divorce, I getting declarations from all them. She was doing alright until the F.B.I. caught up with her. Haven't heard what they'll do about it. Did hear she was in jail in Indiana but don't know if it's so.

You can't believe everything you hear in a case like that.

Sent the roll of film that we took with Joe's Vodak.

Can't seem to get them back and all if any of them are good. They hadn't used the
kodak for quite awhile so don't know how good it's working. We hope some of the pictures are good.

Well, Wally, there doesn't seem to be as much to write about so will close for now. Write when you can and hope you are fine.

Lots of love from
Berneta, Charlie
& Ivy

Mar. 20

Dear Wally: 

Not welcome letters from you yesterday. Was as glad to hear from you as know you're O.K. Hope the boils are all better. We are pretty good. Charlie is misfiring every day.

I'll answer your letters in a day or 2 and answer the question which you ask me about you & Hazel.

Rgs now & I'll write soon.

Love,

Berneta.
Dear Wally:

Everyone else is in bed but I'm not ready to go yet, so will spend some time in writing you a few lines again. Hope you are fine, and our your rides by now. I never had any, but I'm sure they must be very uncomfortable. We are all pretty well at present. Charlie is getting along alright I guess to be any way. The side is done yet, and he has to be pretty careful but that is to be expected.

We've sure been having the weather here last night and today. Make you think you're in Mont. Rained hard all night, then it has rained off and on all day, and snowed too. The ground was white with snow. Of course it didn't last long, but sure amazed for awhile anyway. Is pretty chilly out. Keeps me busy rocking wood in the fire to keep warm.

We are back out at the cabin on the desert. Came out into the afternoon. It is a good place to rest, & that's what Charlie needs.
we hope to be able to go home sometime this coming week. Don't know for sure yet, but we hope anyway.

Suppose Mama has written you that she went to Wisconsin. She left the 15-0 from Billings, that is all the word she had. Am anxious to hear from her. Mama had had a stroke, so was awfully sick. Aunt Mary, Uncle Jim. Hope she gets better, but it is doubtful, as she is getting rather old to be going from one thing like that. She must be in the late 70's.

Allen Prescott was out to see us yesterday. Brought our mail. Then there is an old miner lives about a half mile from here. He dropped in to see us, too, as had quite a get-well. She old miner did all the talking just about. Allen stayed and supper with us. Mrs. Prescott has been quite sick with a bad cold.

Aunt Bud & Alma are in quite badly ill, working for Clifford, Shear thru lambing. Haven't heard as from them, but Mama
Wrote that they were when she was over to see them. Sure hope they get along O.K. now & can get ahead this summer.

Guess the Wars finally got Dr. away from home, anyway she has a medical discharge so she should be happy.

Your 37. 70 ought to count up fairly fast for you. It will be nice to have something saved up for when you get back. You will likely need it then as you say, in all that need our money.

Lemons to me trucking & fruit store business should be a good business to be in. If it is something you like, I can make a living at it that is about all that is necessary. Imagine the old black hills in Phoenix, althought there might not be. I don't remember seeing any, but I could there could be I am not sure if there is plenty & Phoenix I didn't see.

Charlie worked in an Aluminum Plant all winter, guess the reason I never told you before was I figured it probably wouldn't pass the Censor. We have burned
I do like Arizona, so far as the country is concerned. The only trouble is, there are so few possibilities for people with a limited supply of money like mine. I'd get any where in any kind of business. It might be better after the war, but I'd rather think it will be worse. Then let us start just like the idea of being way down here and all our folks in Most.

Wally, you asked me my opinion of you & Hazel. That is rather a hard question for me to answer, but I'll do the best I can. First I'll say it is strictly up to you and Hazel to decide whether you want to spend the rest of your years together. If you do, what any one else thinks makes no difference one way or the other. There is a few yes difference in your age, but I can't see where that should make much difference. It hasn't in my marriage I know, & there are more yes. difference between us. These are you & Hazel. my opinion of Hazel is very high. She has her faults, so do we all, but I think she is a very fine girl. I think she is the kind that if she loves a guy she'll stick by him then &
high water, then good times and bad. She has a good education, is a fair house keeper, good cook, and a real seamstress as well as a good actor. As for yourself, you know my opinion of you, I'm pretty well to you. So if you think you can make a go of life I think I'm certainly for you. But it is up to you really to know what you feel in your heart that you want to do. If a couple lives are another enough they can over come most anything that happens to come along. When you get home from what you are now, I think you will pretty much know what you want from life, and if Hazel is one of them, and she can help give you the rest, that is your answer. I don't know whether I have answered your question or helped you at all or not. I hope I have. If you want to ask me any further about what I have written I'll do my best to answer them.

We plan to go into Williams its more, it doesn't snow so much. The road out here is mostly sand and so not much longer of muddy roads.

This is a little white slip hand dog strayed in here 3 days.
is an old dog, hasn't been too wel fed. Of course she ain't orn and fed much, you know me. Charlie says Ill be wanting to take her home with me next. Don't think so though. I can still beg for something to eat. Then I was sitting by the stove and pulled up a chair and told the dog to get on it she did. Got in there till I laid down on the chair meant to sleep.

We have been working on a pig and people me pound live 3 day. Is a big one. 500 pounds. It a hard one too, to put to pasture.

Had a letter from Ben and Johnnie said his appendix set. took, about the same time Charlie did. A couple days later.

Well Wally I'm getting and so guess I better go to bed. Send the pictures Stacks to show them developed. If they're any good will send you some. Will include one we had taken at Plymouth last Sept. ending took. Write when ever you can. Am always anxious to get your letter.

Late & love.

Scotia, Charlie & Ivan.
White Sulphur Springs, Montana

Sun. April 8, 1915

Dear Wally:

I have received two letters from you which I have not answered as yet, as I will now get busy. Wonder how you are by now. I hope fine. We are all pretty well at the present time.

We have been home a little over a week now. Had a grand trip coming home. Came a different route partly way, so saw new scenery. Some of it very beautiful. However, as crowded coming back. Just the time of year. The turns driving one would drive an in. or a little once, and then the other one would take a turn at it. Even got thru all the traffic with out getting pinched. Wish you could have been with us. Know you would get a bang out of that trip. We left Wittersburg on the 21st about 11:30 got home Fri. night the 22nd at about 5;30. We stayed in Dallas there. Sat. came thru by train. Bridge stopped three awhile. We didn't that used to manage the
Woodward store here in W.S. is now managing the one in Twin Bridge so we stopped to see him. Had a nice visit, bought a few things we needed, that we couldn't find any where else on our trip. Then we came on to Alma's place, had dinner with them. Then on to Tom and and stopped to see Red Blank for a little while. Then on alone. Alma helped me unload that we own for supper. She & Mom had the house just shining clean, so it was nice to come home to.

Haven't had much nice weather since we got home. Seems as though it always rains or storms all the time. We're hearing our man weather in April I guess, that in the way it goes when it is nice in Mar.

Bud, Alma & Charlie are all working for Clifford Stimmer, farming. Alma is helping Marie, guess she does most of the cooking they started to work for Mr. Stimmel this week. The two & Charlie went on Thurs. He gets pretty tired, but doesn't do any lifting. The dog there drove back & Beth & I got the. They have a little before on in the
mom. I don't get back until a
round 8 at night, so makes a
long day. I've been plenty busy.
it seems getting things straighted
around and picked up, at last
time to get very lonesome.
We did a little swimming around
before Charlie went to work. I went
out to Ringling one day. Had the
ner with Volga. Then Charlie went
out to where Amos was at the Land
place to see our cattle. We have se
eral calves. Then we had supper
with Hazel, as she has probably
written you. She is pretty well. Looks
better than she did when we left
last fall. She is supposed to come
up this week end. Wanted her
to this week end, but she was taking
her 2 8 grades to Helena for a
trip. Then the next afternoon we
went to Townsend to see about a
cow if one over there, R S in Nel
& Blanche on the side. Had supper
with them & a nice visit. Start
ed home a little after 10 & took
us 4 hours to come home. The gas
line on the car was plugged,
we'd go about a mile, then get
out & blow the thing out with
the tire pump. Sure idea a long
old trip home, sure were sure tired.
Guess you've been around plenty
from your last letter telling us
some of the places you'd been.
My guess is we'd been pretty near
right in some of them. I don't sup-
pose there is much to do when
you do get to go ashore. Of course
it would depend upon where you'd
get to go. Sure will be glad when
you can come ashore at home again.

I get your letter saying you
had souvenirs for us. We'd have
liked to bring you souvenirs for every
one from Arizona, but anything
worth while cost so much we just
couldn't. Didn't even bring any
for ourselves.

Suppose Mama has written you
that she is home again. Haven't
seen her yet, but hope to soon.

Have seen Papa a couple of times.
He is fairly well, about the same
as he has been I think. He is
sure thing through.

Alma & Bud went out stopping
last nite. Guess there was a dan-
ner town & Ted Jefferson is home
or leave. I didn't go up there
last nite even. Charlie went
up for a few minutes, & we
family stopped a little while after
the show. Charlie is too tired for us to think in any wise life as long as he is working until he gets stronger again. He really shouldn't be working, but then you know Charlie.

Don't worry Wally if there is anything very bad happening at home that I think you should know I'll write and tell you. I don't think there will be. Anyways we'll hope for the best, I think you can be home with us again before too long.

Oh, yes, Al is back out at the Studard ranch. He got hurt in the mine. I can't go back there for awhile. Some man he had that went there when Red left bought a place down by Forest. Seems there is another couple to come pretty soon from East Helena or some place, I al is to stay with them thru the summer to get them started. I think Al is the best man Jim ever did have there for the way he wants his ranch run.

Dear sis junior. Seems to be glad to be home. The 2 little Buckingham girls came to see
June 20th. Sunday night. After church, brought home some Easter baskets and stayed several hrs. Eats them a little while they had dinner CSR. They had a good time. An very cute girl. They are the ones he played with last summer when we put up hay.

Even I am going out to Chicago this afternoon. Oma is I came in get me. Charlie wanted me to come up to the shed and help where the is. Then I asked Charlie a birthday cake. That I take it out to supper. His birthday was the 3rd. But we were not long enough at that time to make him a cake.

We had quite a tragedy in town yesterday. The school children were gathering old paper (scrap paper) and rags. We several guns helping stand it. Zechy (Mr. Wrunen) was one. He had that big orange truck he used around town. Anyway there were several children with him, including the boys. He jugged they the all in, and started the car, instead of that his little boy was just climbing up the wall. Of course he came out.

Oma is I came in get me.
mine, killed her instantly. One thing was a terrible thing. But seems like things like that will happen. Have also Dorothy Jean a couple of times. She is just as much of a scatter brain as ever, and I suppose was fairly abused in the service. Had to work a little something else and used to. She is supposed to have been troubled不少. Guess she has, but sometimes she thinks that it is pater. Seems she does as many letters to write. Have had several from Joyce that she has answered. Haven't heard from Paul for some time but guess the rest. He sent Andy and Anna a picture. I sent hers didn't rate one well. Wally's idea has become quite aminus paper so will close for now. Hope you are fine and write whenever you can. Love and fondly to your letter. Lots of love.

Barbara, Charlie

Yours
White Sulphur Springs
Montana
April 16, 1945

Dear Wally:

I am going to try and get a little writing done this afternoon so I will start with you. Hope you are fine. We are all pretty good here at the present time. Charlie is pretty tired when he gets home nite, but feels pretty good most of the time.

Was going to wash today, but by the time I got breakfast, clothes washed, a housework done in the native scale, I decided to wait untill to-morrow. Wasn't too much a day anyway.

Suppose Hazel wrote you she was up and spent the nite. She and I went out and got her Fred, nite, we had a nice time to gether. Suppose she told you they spent Sat. making jcockies and catching mice. She made up Sat. as I am going to have dresses alike. They are cute I think. Hazel has to make them the wk. The two of them cost me $40.
so they certainly aren't very expensive. I wish I could sew like Hazel can. She started to make me a hat yesterday. Didn't get it finished will have to do that some other time.

We didn't do anything exciting over the week end. Hazel & I went out to see Papa Sat. nite. He was quite sick for a little while, but was better again yesterday. One of those short invaded spells again only a bad one. Has some baby chickens out there & they had given them some alfalfa chaff to scratch in. Papa had the door between the room he lives in where the chickens are open, so he was inhaling all that dust & it sure got his nose down. Finally came to know what was causing it, so he's closed that door now & dusted out his room. So maybe he'll feel better. I only hope so. He isn't too well at the chest.

Yesterday afternoon we went up to the barn & did a little around awhile. Then I took Hazel home. Ivan decided to stay with Charles. I wasn't in any hurry only a
just made. Came back to the supper at home; then we came home after Alma got the supper dishes done. Lambing is getting pretty well over now. Have a little over 200 in the sheep hand in all. And have made a small lambing at Fair & Stanley hands. Alma will probably be there this week. They can move out there soon. But can have an all summer job with Clifford, but don't know what they'll do. Alma seems to think she can't move out of town. She wants to work for Alfa this summer, so don't know who'll win out.

Don't know yet just what we are going to do either. Will have to decide after Charlie gets there.

Had a letter from Cook. He is over in Germany. Seems to be fine when he wrote.

One was said about our President wasn't it. I suppose you guys heard it shortly after it happened as I heard a broadcast from a ship saying the news had come in and had the guys took the news. Certainly true as
shook to everybody I guess.

Called Mom up when I was in
Ringling Sat. Haven't seen her
yet, as Charlie needs the car
when I go over I'd at least like
to be able to stay all nite.

Suan is fine. Busy drawing
pictures and playing.

Talk about mice. We sure had
them here. We started trapping
them Sat. afternoon in a clothes
line. We had 13 caught Sat once
one time. We never there to
show Charlie. But I alms. when
she didn't think they'd believe me
if we didn't have proof.

Seems as though we just can't
Warm up here. Went up town
this morn. meaning my spring
coat & about forty to death be-
fore I got home.

Wish you was going to be here
Sat. nite to go to the From with
us. we'll be thinking of you anyway.

Well Wally there doesn't seem
to be as much to write this time
as will close for now.

Here's hoping you are fine & to
hear from you real soon.

Got back 2 letters from you
last nite when she got home.
so she was tickled.
Bye now write whenever
you can. Late of love
Bein'ta, Charlie
9 Ivan.
Mandola, Montana  
May 4, 1918

Dear Wally:  

Must now get busy and write you a few lines again. Wonder how you are by now. I hope fine. We are all pretty well at the present time.  

As you can see from our address we have moved again. We are lambing for Frank Morgan 6 or 7 miles from Mandola. Charlie and Arnie bought a bunch of sheep from him, but they don't receive them until the 15th of June. Charlie & I are just working for wages now. We may be down in this country all summer, as the sheep change to the mountains for 60 days. We'll tend them ourselves. Sounds like a very good idea they have. Hope to see you as we hope to make some money. There is a house here.
nothing fancy, just a camp
mostly! At present I have
7 to cook for counting crew
and I think now to mind home
work to do besides the cooking
so I don't think I'll have to
work very hard. Seem to have
plenty of time as far Charlie
is wrangling lunches.

We had lunch with Joyce
the day we came down. She
has likely already written you
and told you that.

Luan & Lucie over to see
Mama Man. Played overite.
She is pretty good. Will have
did to spend more time with
her, but maybe I can later on.

But is still working for Clif-
ford. Walked back & forth to work.
Alma has the promise of a sum-
mer's job at Annie Beige. Don't
know if she will get it. She
spent a few days in Ewington
visiting Trissa. Her little boy
wasn't very good. Has a blood
clot on the brain which is
causing paralgesis on one
side. Also has convulsions
at times. Altogether it doesn't
sound very good for him.

I gave Charlie a wish watch.
for his birthday. It seems to like it. I hope it is a good one.
Also had the bad luck to lose my coin purse the day we came down here. The last I can remember having it was in Mike Ryan's. Called Mom up & paid for the call. There wasn't so much in it but I think it was about $3.50 in money. Most of it I guess, the key belonging to Bud. I am still in hopes I might get it back if I left it at Mike's and I think that is the only place I could have left it.

Dawn is June. Busy playing. Went wrangling sheep with Bill. He got supper last nite.
Nobody has heard from Bud for about a mos. now as he must be in the mines again. We don't have one radio set up yet. Sent for a batting it should be here before this long. Sure will be glad when we get it. A person doesn't know what's going on way out here in the sticks.

Said the Jap Stewart the day before
me left. They are looking real well. Air going back out to the Keith place this summer.

Oh yes Wink & Wanteek out back. They turned up to W. S. the day I was gone to see Mom. Alma was gone, too. Bud said then, they are going to have an ice chest in the family. I feel sorry for the kid with a couple like them for parents.

Guess J. B. this wife was home not long ago. Mrs. Keith couldn't even find anything about her. She didn't like as she must have picked a good wife.

Well Wally I guess I better close for now & get to work. I think you might as well send our letter to W. S. as I don't know for sure had long we'll be here and they will forward them to us if we are here.

Wish hoping you are fine & to hear from you soon.

Love & love,

Yours, from

Bevista. Charlie

I. pear.
Dear Wally:

Received your very welcome letter written the 16th of April. I will now get busy and answer. Lundy was glad to hear from you again.

Hope you are fine. We are fairly well. Have colds, and I've been having a little more asthima but not so bad. Feel a little better again today. Everybody is busy. Charli is working like a beaver. Mr. Wragg spends some time with the sheep and works in the shed, in fact anything that is to do. He feels pretty good most of the time. Saga he gets a pain in his arm and is awhile, but not often.

I can't remember if I told you Charlie and Angus bought a band of sheep from Mr. Morgan. That is mostly how we come to be here. We look after our interests, although we are just working for wages. Too. Mr. Morgan has around 50 sheep, the first 500 Bob Campbell bought. That is the 1st 50. Then we get 500 bands out of the middle, some one else takes the trail end bunch so we should get a fair bunch of lambs. Charter and Angus receive their sheep on the 10th of June.
We run them here on Morgan's range for
the summer at 25 cents a head. This buy-
er McLinburg is in the deal. Charlie &
Angus have already sold the sheep back to
him, in other words they just bought them
for about 50c. have also contacted the
Carnes back to McLinburg at 25 cents a lb. &
Charlie & Angus get all the wool. It is a
kind of a funny sounding deal especially when
you try to explain it to somebody, but looks
like we should be able to make quite a little
money at it.

Walter Donald was to me to put up the
hay on the loophole again this yr. but
I don't know whether we will be able to take
that on or not. Would like D. if I'd like D.
to make money enough to settle down and
plan 2 own someplace this fall. I am getting tired
out moving around, and with Evan starting
to school we are going to have to stay in
1 place. We are getting our cattle built
up to what they amount to something. Will
have to stand to sell this fall if nothing
unforeseen happens.
Am glad you liked the picture. Sent from my negatives I told her to get some picture developed. I just don't know when to send to get reports any more. So maybe I'll have some more to send you soon these days.

Nigel will soon be through in ringing. She will be glad. She is supposed to come down spend a few days with us before she goes home.

It has been raining here. The roads are really a mess in this country when it rains. Worse than at St. Vrain.

Andrew the rain though. Am in shape it will clear up now. Dry up again. We need some groceries pretty badly & I like to get the mail again before leaving.

Morgans are nice people to work for. Mr. Morgan his oldest son are two. Mr. Mr. still gets a lot of work done for a man his age. He hardly stops a minute. Is his own chief man besides doing anything else that is to be done. They are just to have them to hand out their shop so you can see they are plenty busy. One is a kid that doesn't know how to work.
He and the dog hand, then there is
another older man with the dog hand
that looks after the broadcasting. The
kid has a saddle horse the man gets
by him all day long outside of the
house I guess. We have a cow and
in the yard that had magots. They control
her up as true is not used in the back
pasture as she is all from colored from the
junk they put on her. This guy and
she what happened that sheep if someone
will put it to her. So a mild guy but no horse
man I don't seem to care to learn. He
was in the Merchant Marine. Totter
or a medical discharge. He is 20 yrs. old.

Sounds like you have been around
again. Can will imagine you have
seen plenty from some of the things we
read that has gone on around those
places. Of course I don't think any of us
ever have a good idea of what you guys
want to go through. You simply need to know
that the continent will take care of any
way. Lots of those kids will be coming
home from that side & lots of them going
where you are. It will certainly be a
wonderful day when it is all done on
that side, too.
Charlie got a coyote the other day. He shot it and was sure he killed it, but couldn't find the thing. Mr. Morgan said he'd promise $25 to anyone that killed a coyote lure missing its tail. Charlie said he didn't want the money as he couldn't produce the coyote, so Mr. Mr. gave the money to Charley.

We got a radio battery the other day so have our radio going now. Seems good to have it again. A person hates to be without one when there are so many things happening.

I think it would be kind of nice here for the summer. It is a fair house. Trees in the yard, a lilac bush out in front. Nothing fancy, but nice and comfortable. We don't know for sure yet if we will be here for the summer, but if we do the Camp standing which is quite likely we will probably be here more or less.

Will Wally guess I better close for now and get to work. Hope you are happy to hear from you real soon again.

Love from
Benneta, Charlie & Evan.
June 8, 1945

Dear Wally:

We are unable to write any letter this evening. We have been working all day and are very tired. We are sorry to hear that you are not well. We hope you will get better soon.

We went to St. Augustine yesterday and enjoyed ourselves. We visited the old Spanish Mission and the lighthouse. We also saw the beautiful St. Augustine Cathedral.

We have been busy all day today. We have been working on the farm and have not had much time to write. We hope to hear from you soon.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
work nearly every morn. I go up to bed every night as she can have the car tied around during the day. Some don't think she gives. But I think it is a problem they'll have to work out. I don't think Alma needs it. She isn't the chance she has for happiness. Only hope she doesn't find out too late. Clifford I want to think the world of and I am very pleased with his work. They never say I said anything well but they know you very well. You have likely heard by now that Paul & Joyce are married. I am glad for them as there is no reason why they should waste the best of years. Their lives waiting for a man to get over imagining Hazel wants her married down & see me before she left. We had some time. She came on the train Memorial Day. I took her to the train.

Be another couple coming the 10th hard to tell how long they'll stay. Al & Johnny are coming to spend the summer with Al so that will at least be company for him. We got our horses, that is Dan, Tony & Duffy, then we got Sugar out. I bought sugar up here by telephone. We'll have to use Jack horse to get salt. & go and do the tender after he goes on the Prairie. That's the reason we need all the horses. I hope to be able to ride some this summer. Too, it's been so long since I've had a chance to ride. After shearing I shouldn't have all of other work to do after shearing, and that should only last one day unless a rain comes catches me. I certainly hope that doesn't happen. But it still out a shearing. He sold the Chrysler they got for $750. I guess, I paid God for the new one he
Called Mom up to see if she was going to be pretty good. But, oh no! Mr. Badgett came over last Sun. I called with her.

Stern her a nice slip & a cute salt & pepper shaker for her birthday.

Dined at Jones Beach with Charlie quite sober due to my drinking. It is growing getting tall there. Will head to McGill school this fall.

Said Pap while we were in W.S.

But not... good seems like she never feels very good any more.

We are in hopes we can get back to where the sheep are to move. It has been nice this afternoon, so should have dried up quite a bit if it just does rain again to move.

Paul Michaelson was home on furlough. He is to turn the other day, but we didn't get to see him. Fred was

you one of the shepherds fell for him. He's old enough to be her father, but not fool like an old fool I mean.

Ian Hazel we nagged her as much. She took shall good natured though. She plans to come back some time this summer tell me. Surely hope she can.

You ask about Lulla. I don't know whether she is going with anyone or not. Mrs. Willic is the county agent for the summer, if Lulla makes for her she was this secretary at school, too.

Dorothy Dar is still missing around doing nothing. Her boy friend she had such a case on married another girl too. He was quite a nice guy.

She has a case on some guy in Townsend too, but I don't know who.

We went to the show while we were in W.S., 'Two Guys.' A Sailor. We enjoyed it a lot.
Dear Mr. Taylor,

I had a good time in San Francisco. I was quite sad, but the weather was
dereworthy. I hope you will have a nice time out of work, and I am
looking forward to seeing you.

This is a letter from your

Sincerely,

Bunty, Chalkie

Feb. 2nd, 1942
June 15, 1945

Dear Wally:

I don't have chance to get letter mailed as often as it seems, so will get busy and write you a letter to get some letter mailed to mom. Wonder how you are by now. Hope you are all putty well at present time.

The men out for a horse back ride this afternoon, just time I've been on a choice for ages. I'm to work Tony, Charlie and Dan. Charlie think the fishing caught four mink one. Ed size for supper for the 19 rail. Our cabin is right close to a nice stream. It is almost too high for good fishing yet, but should be better if it quits raining once again.

Charlie & Angue received their band of sheep last Mon. Have a nice bunch Gold in 123 of them. Sure hope they weigh good come fall. We can keep the load down. We have a lumber now, but when they go in the Reserve the 1st of July or about then Charlie, Evan & I may hide them. We aren't sick yet. Charlie is going up to look at the range one of these days. Putty quick look how tough it is. The lumber we had badly planned in lost 30 lumber in about 10 days, so at that rate we'd have to buy another land if I am to by fall. Aug we have to pay one about 200 a mo. as we might as well feed them ourselves and earn that money. We can't just sure yet. Will let you know what we decide.

We haven't had the mail for weeks now. Went down to get it due, but the road is all washed out so place this side of Mandala, it isn't fixed yet. There is a
In Cora there on the railroad and they piled up along rocks some place they shouldn't be that caused the wash out. Sure hope we can get the mail soon. Don't like going so long with out it.

We went to Ringling W.S. the frist of the week. Went up after our saddle horses. Carl Helen butter met her husband. She is certainly a happy looking girl to have him back again. Guess she went through in some things. She told me some of the things she told about and they were plenty bad. He gets a 60 day furlough then has to report back and she doesn't know what after that. He looks well and managed not to let his imprisonment get him down. When in prison almost a yr. She always boys from W.S. Baylding, is also. Let it is O.K., but for a few

Swarb. When the Nis get through I doubt if it'll even be noticeable. We didn't get to see him. He had been in W.S. but left for the Dakotas to see his folks.

These'll play sheptherd tomorrow. Our children have to go to Boyman A get up some basebald paper, so I think I'd rather send it off when than to take them a out. Those can be saved to to use in this country get my goods when I give them. If it happens to rain they are awful.

Swarb at first. He is busy drawing pictures. Does pretty good drawing and things. He'll show have a birthday, doesn't seem possible. We soon be rift.

I don't know whether Hazel has written me since she left home, as we have no
had the mail since the night she left.
Saw Bud & Alma when we was up W S. Bud is still working for Clifford. Alma is taking life easy, mostly.
Well Wally there really isn't much to write about so I'll close for now. This hoping you are fine & to here from you when we get the mail.

Love & Love from
Bette, Charli & Eve.
June 19, 1925

Dear Wally:

Received a

very welcome letter from

you yesterday. It was with

great gladness for me & for

you. I had been on

land once again. But it

seems good time to spend

a few days with the natives

and do some swimming

and enjoy the weather.

We are all pretty good at

the present time. Some day

I don't feel too good some

days, but can't complain

much of the time.

Finally, got the mail

yesterday. Had quite a

bundle as if we had been

at sea late. Since we got

the mail last, had

3 letters from mom, one from

Hazel, Anna, Audrey &

2 to gether, spring time &

home. Then 3rd March.


Charlie is busy getting

ready and the fishing

had been good. The

fish are all the time. They

are very good fish to

eat. Don't know when

we'll eat any that

tasted as good as since

we've been here.

We aren't working very

hard just at present.

Charlie has been watching

the ship early in the

morning. I late in the even.

While the ladies would

get in the water & then
and take a long time for your mail to get to you. I sometimes wonder if you ever get it all. I write pretty often usually 2 or 3 times a week. I think some times 4 or 5, and I know I tell you what we are & what we are doing and so on, but it seems I like ages before you ever get the letter. I suppose it all takes time through.

We surely did have about your Buddy being lost in that storm. Mama told me you had a letter from the Mother. Sure it tough when things like that have to happen, but a person must know it seems. You don't always have to be in battle for things to happen.

Papa went to Butte this day before we went with last time to see if he could leave anything don
I'm nearly getting along, I hope you and the other are alright. I do hope we can have something done. Don't know what is the matter with it.

Ivan is fine, growing like a weed. Will soon have a birthday. You don't need to worry about him forgetting you. He remembers his Uncle Wally tells wolver what since you are one. He'll probably have a million questions to ask you when you get back. Maybe you can answer some of the once.

Hasn't rained here the last 2 or 3 days. Really seems good to see some sunshine once again.

Clifford & Maxine Shearer are supposed to come down here some time this week. Spend a couple of days. Hope the weather is nice.

Always wish you were here with them.

Found a piece in the Bozeman paper about Mr. Tallman who is retiring from the Mathematic Teach in Bozeman after 45 yrs. Teaching there they are going to be some to make their home. Bill Jr. is there. Well Wally seems to have run out of steam so will close for now. Hope you are fine & to hear from you soon again.

Lots of love from us all,

Bennet, Charli & Ivan.
June 26, 1945

Dear Wallace,

Well dear guess I'll get busy and write you a few lines once again to let you know that I am fine. And I hope these few lines find you the same. Well we had a little excitement in the neighborhood this summer. The brooder house at Dallas Mathen caught a fire. And it was right close by their new bunk house and shed. The men have just got back from there. She saved all the little chickens. It didn't take the neighborhood long to gather and help. Had another hard rain last night. Mr. W. & I were out in it and did we ever get soaked before we got home. We had the team in the plow. I'm canning zucchini this afternoon. Should have around 12 quarts. The men are all fencing as its to wet to plough.
I did my washing yesterday. And really had a big one. Haven't had my mail yet this week. Maybe I'll have a letter from you when I do get it. Write Bud & Alma a letter. Will write Paul & Bernta & Hazel yet too. I sent Ivan five dollars for his birthday that's to morn. Well dear there doesn't seem much of any thing to write about so guess I'd better say cheeio with lots of love & kisses to you from your loving mom.

Wallace mama has some awful sad news to tell you since I wrote your letter. Bernta passed away last night the 26. Thats all the word we've gotten so far. We don't know where she was or where she died at. I'm at Bud & Alma. Wallace mama don't know how she's going to go through it. I feel so bad for you & Paul when you get the word. Something awful dear has been taken from us. But I guess God knows.
Dear Wallace.

Well dear guess I'd better get busy and write you a few lines to let you know that mama is pretty fair. The rest are all the same.

Well dear our darling Berneta was laid away yesterday. She had a lovely funeral and lots of lovely flowers over 64 sent her flowers. We got her a spray for you 2 boys and Bud Papa 2 5 for 15-dollars. Carnations & sweet peas. The pallbearers were Hubert Plym, Ted Kuhner, Bill Blakely, Clifford Bear, Mr Prescott, Harold Bilten, Mr Higgin & her sister Ray Camp. There'll be no disappointment in heaven that was a man pick and mine was Beautiful Isle of Some where. There were 2 beautiful singers, Mrs Berg played the organ. We sent Hazel a telegram but I don't think there was any chance for her to get it. And Mrs Badgett told me she had a letter from Hazel and that she was in Billings to have a check up.
When he come back, he said 13 and
about it, as he went around and
ate it and did have to keep it and
food in a great deal of it and then
Red bashed to do some using on
It broke to draw furniture a lot and
how thoughtful she was on a chair.

I was thinking of my grandmother. She showed me
the good little sending to do it. He asked
that noon. It was almost like this. It was
it was in one of the places, near.

Conning the sea, the doctor's
in town. You would have done
you going to be well. The heaven you
take care of the ship's gun
and of it and the chimneys

and care of the coasts gossiping

going the day of change and
could. 9:40 Charles lemon

It came after we did the best we
could. Gariah Charles. Aren't
it after foot red that she didn't get
at her word. But there. "You've

And sent, poison that we could have
admitted be done it. It sure sounded cute. Well dear guess this
will be all for this time. Think I'll go back home to day as
there isn't much of any thing
I can do from now. And I'm needed
there. So here's hoping you are
fine. So Bye dear for this
time with lots of love & kisses to
you from your loving Mom.
Dearest Wallace,

Well dear here I am back again. I'm sure I'll write you a few lines. Mama's well as far as her health goes. But I just can't get poor little Bernita of my mind. It will be a week to momma nite since she passed away. I'm just wondering how Charlie will make out with Ivan. I sure hope all right. His problem will come when school starts. Tomorrow is the 4th. We'll likely stay at home as I haven't the heart to do anything. I'd like to go to Ringing and spend the day with the Baidgetts and maybe go fishing. Mrs. Baidgett is a real pal. I don't know what Bud & Alma is going to do. Alma wants to go to Livingston but Bud just couldn't see it that way. So don't know how it will turn out. Had a nice long letter from Paul & Joyce this morning.
written on May 28. They were running around getting ready to be married. I think I'll just send his letter to you. Wonder where you are and what you are doing. Sure hope you well and all right. It's sure hot here to day. It's starting to look like thunder showers again. We're going up to ride again. I hope he's lucky and doesn't get hurt. Well dear, you excuse a short letter as it's rather hard for mom to write now. So here's hoping you are fine. Bye dear with lots of love and kisses to you from your loving mom.
Dearest Wallace,

Well dear guess I'd better get busy and write you a few lines again. To let you know that I am well. And I hope this finds you the same. Had a couple of letters from you a few days ago. You seemed to be fine then. Have only had the 1 letter so far from Paul. And I sent that on to you. We've been having quite warm weather here the last week. But still the evenings seem to be quite cool. These affect the sheep shears here most any day now. Sure will be glad as the sheeps aren't tagged and they aren't in very good shape.

Had a letter from Hazel yesterday. She seems to be getting along all right. Saw Al a few minutes the 4th. I'm going to send him your letter where you wrote and told me about fighting. Joe was there for the 4th but I didn't.

I'm sending you some Donavon's letter to you and you send it to Paul to his A.P.O. address at San Francisco. To his same address. Bye with lots of love kisses to you from your loving mom.
Dear Willard,

John, promin to the hole yesterday, so I went over and see the next Constable with me the next time to give you a quare deal in your state of health if you will. We went out of the village with the Westerly hill, the boys from English, and then we went down to the Hill. But it was a bit cold, and they were very cold.

But everybody has done almost every day now, and I thought it would be nice to think of you. I went to Washington to Washington that evening, and then I got a letter from your sister. She said she was going to Washington to visit a friend. But I don't know where she is going to go. She said she would write me soon.

But I don't think you will see it. I don't know what to do. But I hope you will be well. I hope you will find this letter in a good way.

Love,

John
Dear Wallace,

Well dear here it is another Sunday so guess I'll write you a few lines once again. Wonder how you are. I sure hope fine. Mama's well. I'm not working today. They had just a little more slackenig to do at the young place so I didn't have to go. They are here finishing up the moving. Don't know any news. Paul has a new address. All though he didn't say anything about it. Got a letter from Charlie yesterday it's got stationary i it. Got a letter from Charlie & Evan yesterday. Charlie is an answer to the one I wrote and asked him if I could help them in any way. But he gave me to understand that I wasn't fit to help take care of Evan. The only way he can think of me is with pity and regret. I don't think I deserve all of that dear. If ever a mother tried to do right by her children I think I have. Maybe he'll see his mistake some time. He knows how he can hurt me through Evan. I'll write Evan but I'll not write him. I'm going to send him 20 dollars toward Remelas head stone. That will be 5 dollars for each one of us. I do wish I could get to her grave more often. Mama gets so blue. Seems all I do is cry & cry some more. Mama's so in hopes you boys can soon come home. I guess every mother is wishing that. I sure hope the war is over but it keeps 1 in doubt.
taken of the gas rationing, and I guess vegetables, and a few things like that. I sure have a lovely garden here. Wish it was mine. We'd have plenty for all winter with out buying if you boys get home. But guess we'll make out any way. Hope next year we can all be some where to gather. It's been 4 years since I seen Paul. I thought maybe Bud & Alma would get over to day but guess not as it's after 1 now. He likely had to work to day as I guess he's been working Sundays from the way Alma wrote. Mama got him one of those bracelets like you have for his birthday. I thought that would be nice for him. I got you me to but I knew you had one.

Do you wear yours all the time? Did I tell you that I had Bemeta wrist watch that we gave her. Mama's been so thankful that she gave it to her as she got so much enjoyment out of it. I know she loved m ama dearly. Mrs. Prescott said she begged her to stay a while longer at Arizona but Bemeta said no. This is the first time she's ever been away from mama this long and she just got to get home to see her. Then she was there a month before she could come to see me and then only 1 day and left the next. Then he blames me for causing her a lot of heart ache. Well, dear guess this better be all for this time. So Bye with lots of love & kisses to you from your loving mom.
Dearest Wallace,

Well dear guess I'll write you a few lines this evening to let you know that I am fine and I hope & trust these few lines find you the same. Well dear I have some good news from Paul. He's still at Brisbane waiting for a ship to bring him home. Mama's so glad as it's been so long since I last seen him. And I sure hope and trust you get to come soon too. Mama's sure looking forward for that time to come. And it can't come more to soon. But I'm know dear mama's always thinking of you and where ever you are it is always with you in thoughts. We finished having yester day and were all glad. The boys came up and helped so it didn't take too long. I suppose Hazel will be in Pinniag to morrow said she'd call me up. But it don't make much difference. She's nice enough did in a way. But some times she didn't weigh quite enough. It kinda amuses me about those silly girls. When I wrote to Alice she didn't know how nice it be to me now when I see her it hurts her to say hello. And now Hazel she need to write me all the time and only one letter now since
she had the operation. Mamma blamed Hazel ways what little time I spent with her in Pinghing and when she came here to see me. I nearly got my head hit of several times over nothing. Everything was pretty lively when the good news came we were in Livingston. All business places closed for 2 days. Well dear there doesn't seem to be much of anything more to write about so guess I'll say Cheeni with lots of love 3 kisses to you from your loving Mma
Dearest Wallace.

Well dear mama rec'd 2 ever welcome letter from you to day. And was so glad to hear from you again and that you were fine. Which this leaves me the same. Had a letter from Bad and Alma. They were fine. They'll likely be over this coming Sat. mite. They'll likely be going to the rodeo at Livingston. We're not planning on going. Mama doesn't care about going. Did you get your birthday card & sent you? Mama will send you some coldade & stuff the first time I get to go to town. Wish you'd told me a long time ago to send you something like that. Have you and Hazel had a fall out. You never mentioned her. Hope you don't feel bad about it dear. As you'll never be sorry. She wasn't the right kind of a girl for you anyway. You'd found that out if you'd been round her more. Bernita liked her real well because Hazel was nice to her, and she was never around her only a little while at a time. When you get back again you'll likely find some one that will be better suited and your own age. Yes dear I still get Pau's allotment & he's never had it changed. I think it will be a good idea dear if you send the money home now as you have a nice lot of bonds 17 20's and I'll put it in the bank like I do for Paul.
You get some interest on it. Then it is like you said if you need some you won't have to cash your bonds. So I haven't seen any of the Ketzels for ages. You might get so good kind of a job when you get back. As it is talkis there'll be good jobs for you boys that have been across and in the thick of it. Sure wish you were coming home Paul will be so anxious to see you too. As we all will.

If Bemeta just could have stayed with us. She'd been so happy over the war ending. I haven't seen Charlie or Ivan since we layed Bemeta away. She got no way to go see them. Then I haven't the heart to go when Charlie is any way.

I sure hate that I can't help take care of Ivan but guess I'll just have to make the best of it. Well dear its 10 30 and 5 30 comes pretty quick. So guess I'll better bring my letter to a close today.

With lots of love & kisses to you from

Your loving mom.

Did you ever get the picture corners I sent you and all the pictures of Bemetas.

Sgt. Paul J. Olinger 20929246

Hq. Co. Det. 3 ABSEC AFWES PAC

San Francisco, Calif.
Dear Wallace,

Well, Dear, you'll likely be surprised to hear from me here. But I'm on my way to Wisconsin as I got a telegram from Aunt Marguerite saying Grandma was pretty low and for me to come if possible so I'm on my way. I didn't get a chance to write you a letter before I left, I'll only be gone around 3 weeks. If you get this any where near soon you can write me a letter there and if not send it to W. C. as always. Had a letter from Grandma just before I left. Said she wasn't feeling as good as when she was at the Park. I came as far

April 2, 1945

Dearest Wallace,

Just a line to let you know I'm on my way home. I'm at Miles City, had a nice trip so far. Quite a bit of snow through North Dakota. Will write you soon as I get home. Love,

Mom
as Billings with Mr. W. and Gardner and took
the bus from there between 11 and 12 last
night. This is the address
you can write me if you
get this in time. Mama
will write your letter just
as soon
lots of
love & kisses
from
your loving
Mom.

C/O
Mrs. Herman / France
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Waukesha, Wis.
WALTER RINGER
White Sulphur Springs Mont

We will be on fast train Tuesday arrange for flowers for all

CHARLES DOIG
1038 AM
Dear Wallace,

Well, she guessed she'd write you a few lines this
afternoon. I'd let you know that I am fine
and hope this finds you the same. Mama said
you have a letter for the last night. I
want you to send me one again. Had a letter and
a sympathy card from Uncle Ed. Mama sure
misses dear little Mama. She was always so
good to write to me. And you say too some years
ago you wrote her. Is that from me or
another? I don't know. But she always took
letters from me. Aunt May said she had heard
of her a few times, but the last time was
from some fur. Then to turn away from this wall of sorrow's pain.

She once had a friend of hers who was
with her for three years. She was a good person.

Can I still owe you a visit some day?

I got a few lines from her, but I didn't know
if she got to go to Canton. I haven't been
all day. Just over at the office. Then to finish up
from the work. Well, I guess this will be all
for now. The boys who live of love thinner to you
from your lovely ones. Take good care of your mother and
myself. Love and greetings.

V-Mail
Dear Wally,

What am going to pull myself together and try to answer this letter I got from you. I was sure glad to hear from you and I am so sorry I did not answer sooner. But I just could not write to anyone.

Two long months have passed since your mother and my sweet wife passed to her eternal rest. Wally, I surely have been hard to take for myself and little girls. One year from a mother is worth or better and natural, our grief and mourning their loss. But to lose your wife and especially a fragile sweet little woman like Woman was there just not any way of explaining it. Who can understand such love.

God was good to me all through.
The passed away in my arms with her arms around my neck delivering several messages to me until her last breath. She didn't suffer any at the last. Wallack for which I am thankful. A bit in time to be taken from her went as far. She passed away at 2:30 A.M. on the 27th of June, George's birthday. In the little home we had planned for the summer. We were to help and share was feeling fairly well all along. The worst feeling was after all the evening and we talked until almost her time and always she was taken from me. God called her home. Is that in fact. A man sure she is in Heaven and I know she will wait for rain and I may look on her soul. I will always love and cherish her memory of the good woman she was. I love you. I could for her.
the eleven short years we were married and at those sad
it can for her since she is age.
A freckled lo in a lovely blue and
white dress in beautiful black
colored crinoline. I put her in a
mourned. She had a lovely funeral
with lots of flowers and many
friends. A hand the little
card to show you of Paul, its
have a very kinder coming
which all the hours have all left
for figures so you see it all.
About done it but it can for
your sister. A look her on such
when I boarded to go on without
her. I would camp one game how
for the little you she gave me.
It shall be one all our love and
devotion on her and to so hard
to bring him up to be the kind
of for his mother would wish
him to be. I will tell you all
about her dressing whom have
I over which last will be long.
From here to go to school in one more week. I guess I will school him in W. 8. S. this term. We are living with Angus and family now. We will get rid of the sheep in another month as we have them all sold. I will more be glad if zone gone to camp with me all the time. It is all looking well there which is quite a sight. I haven't seen your mother for a long time. I have come around to her from 8. A. 17 to the great 18 or twice to make. Well, well, I must close. It is very hard for me to write as I feel pretty sick and weak. You be sure to write often. I hope you can come home soon. With B. 14 A. 18. With love and good wishes to you.

Charles and Ann Dug.
Dear Welly,

Received a very welcome letter from you a couple of days ago. I'm glad to hear from you and that you are O.K. I'm getting along somewhat. I'm still a little happy and that is about all that I can tell you any more. I guess I'll see you at dinner if that means staying at Clifford and Marie's. I don't know just how long we will be here but for some time yet I guess. Ann is getting along swell in school and doing O.K. The first couple of days she was really cut the exasperate, made not copy.
real sorry and says Daddy if you
asked him why and he says you
didn't work as he got awful sick.
I tell him to get up and let a
good doctor see him and I would talk
to him to the Dr. if he go to school
instead. Since there he has been
you say it is awful nice
to him and that he had a lot, then
feel bad to think that your mother
and can't get along but it seems
we can. She could have come
never giving from mother love
any other person in the world.
But it great didn't turn out that
way it seems for which I am sorry
from the bottom of my heart. But
I mean from the state of friends
with kids and your lefters we
will get along that much.
So claimed to come next time
next month. I made this night
keep your word to the end of
next month for me. Maybe come by
things will be better for me. He
left me in my grief. I thought that
was your fault. I was always love
and almost for me. You all see
with conscience. I love it in life
from and with to the sanctuary
with flowers. I am to the earth
time be going for a while. It is a
spring winter and no flowers
to be able to the to her.
Around I ask all the time
the son with a world may be
free. I am sorry for him. Paul went
near him. The entire time, he is
engaged in his work. I am not
easily to him that he care needs
come as and if he and all right
to him often really as he believes
in your love than of his family
and scene (name) in (place). Wonder
you long it will be before you and
Paul go there. I can't help you.
I am going in one may
good can't. He will be
There is it, and in my
There is it, and in my
There is it, and in my
more hands have been help to
him to do so. Maybe some day
will get away. And left me, in
know he would mean so any good
in doing the thing up. In turning.
I want to be with you, when you are old,

even more. If you can help make
me feel better, I think you
will make me happier. Wally

will have very short and good friends
in his own treatment. Wally is glad that

to sign of all got ready to go to
sleep also.

from head to foot with
to you and may God grant that
you can come home soon.

More yarn.

see you soon.
Air Mail

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