

October 25

Dear Mother;

Received your Air mail letter today. telling about the two new officers. I certainly hope that the oil supply will be eased this winter. If not perhaps you should close up and go somewhere.

that it is sort of dull and not very interesting country. Not too far away though and actually it may make possible my being allowed to come home. I am gradually working up some time overseas and it is possible that an opportunity will arise. However there is nothing actually on the horizon.

The rains have started and things are very difficult because of them. I suppose though that the Army's traditional foe is mud and we are sure in the thick of it. The weather is also getting colder. I am over my cold though now and feel pretty well. There isn't much to do except work now. All my friends have gone forward to one spot or another and I am sort of glad now to be definitely lined up for a move. I don't actually care where as North Africa is about finished as far as the military is concerned.

I had intended to send some flowers for November third but the service has moved out so I can't do much more than send a special amount of love and wish many happy returns.

Julia has written a couple of times recently and I enjoy her letters. She is a fine letter writer and they always sound cheerful and as though she was interested in her work. Yes, Nickie is the French officer and the other girls are the English girls. They aren't very good pictures of them but in any case neither was as attractive as Nickie. I hope that you receive the box I sent some weeks ago. Nothing much in it except that there are some pictures or negatives which I think you will enjoy. Some of them you will have to have printed. The arm band is one worn by the French resistance groups in France after they came out in the open. The picture of me sitting down on some rocks was taken at Carthage near Tunis. They are actually some old Roman ruins. The baby and man and wife are the Baziles with whom I lived in Oran. I wish that you would have a print made of the best one with the three of them if possible and send it to me so I can in turn forward it to them. They are very nice people and I am sure would appreciate a picture.

Mrs. Parker looks very attractive and pleasant. Do you carry on correspondence all over the world with the various officers?

Well, all my love to you and Sandy,

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