

Kentwood, Missouri
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My dear Hubber,

I am wondering where you are now. I have a hard time keeping up with you.

Both Alvin's & Martin's heard from you today, but sad to say we didn't. Here's hoping we do tomorrow. Also the Ranchers heard. They seemed very much thrilled about it too, I dare say. The place in France you mentioned to them was marked out.

We sure would like to know where you are, but maybe some day you can stop and tell us about it which will be very interesting, I am sure. And we're hoping and praying that won't be too far hence.

Perhaps Bobby has written you this, but just in case she hasn't I'll make mention of it. Russell was slightly wounded while in Belgium. She has heard nothing further.

Erwin ^(my) Krentler was in church yest. morn. He is walking without crutches. He's getting a discharge, and then he is going on to school.

I haven't heard what ²he is going to study to be.
Marvin Obermann, Norman Langer, Elmer Kaiser,
Ludwig Kraus were also here yest. morn (Sun.
Feb 4th) Marvin, Norman, & Elmer are all going
P. O. E. to California - Ind. The Holle boys
& Vernon R. Chesten P. are still in Calif.
They weren't allowed to write for two weeks
so, they are just now beginning to receive
their letters. They haven't been doing anything.

Man! brother, how can you carry such
a pack? I'll bet you do feel like an over-
loaded horse. If sympathy helps you have
all mine. h. h.

I received a letter from Dutch. I was
just so happy. But I would have been
much happier if it had been from you!
Cause don't ever tell him this 'cause
I really was happy to hear from him. He
found a Lutheran Chaplain in New Guinea.
He also ~~met~~ ^{or found} one of his friends from Portland.
He said they had quite an interesting talk
about where they had been since they
got in the army.

Have you been getting any mail? I surely
hope you get some soon if you haven't
already gotten some.

Virgil Mathey came home today. Wonder

where hell go from here.

Vernon is going to Mississippi. Ella will go with him I presume. He is driving down.

Lain helped Alvin drag up some wood today. They didn't get twisted. So, he is going back tomorrow.

I'm over at Alvin's. David just retired. He's quite a shaver. If you don't mind the expression. But he's really a good kid, considering everything.

Alvin took his pulsator apart and cleaned it. He isn't in from milking, yet.

Alice and I canned beef today. There's still quite a bit left. How about a steak dinner some time??

We had rice for dinner. It made me think of you. That's not the only time, don't ever think. But I remembered how you could just make a meal of it. I shall I come ~~down~~ and cook some for you? I'm all raring to come. Dad was ill over the weekend, but he is feeling better.

The beds were all down for Enny's birth day yest. I must write to Melvyn.

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I certainly hope we hear from you again to-
morrow. Everyone is happy to hear from Hubbie.
Seems you have quite a lot of time to
write! I believe Rev. would enjoy hearing
from you, too. Keep it up, your wonderful.
I used keep it up instead of "Stop it's
Wonderful". Remember that song?

The war news sounds better. Course
with you in Europe + Brit' on New
Guinea we should have this over
pretty soon at 2?

Tomorrow we have business meeting at
League. Do you know they have me up
for leading the topic in April. How
about some help?

I'll try to do better, regarding writing
letters.

P.S. I never ^{using} fail: (I mean p. 55.) Good night + sweet dreams,
we got Doris a sterling silver
locket with an
army insignia
on it. It ^{is} was real pretty.

All my love,
Evel.

I gave her some "good smelling" (no not salts) but
dusting powder. Hope this is satisfactory
with you.

Love,
Evel.