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To Mr + Mrs G. Vicelli  
25820 Plymouth Rd.  
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U.S.A.

From 36544672  
P.F.C. Julian Vicelli  
Ctry-D-216-AAAG.BN  
A.P.O.-464-5-Bethesda  
New York, N.Y.  
April 12-1944

Dearest Mom + Dad  
Well Mom here I am again, I'm feeling fine and everything is going along nicely - I sure hope it's the same with all of you. I haven't any news to write about, so I guess I'll have to write about something else. I'm on duty right now - I think after I'm off I'll take a good bath - that's if the wind stops, otherwise it's still a little too chilly. I got a letter from Alna saying she couldn't send me any chocolate candy, that's too bad but I hope she won't worry about it because I don't really need it - I can get all I want when I get home. I got one more letter to write yet then I'm all through for today. Say hello to all my friends for me. Take good care of yourselves + May God watch Love + Hisses all of you  
V-MAIL xxx Julie xxx

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April 24-1944

Dearest Mom + Dad  
Mom I got your candy and fruit cake last night it sure is good. Tell Miss Fisher I said thanks for making me the fruit cake - it sure is good, as soon as I get more time I'll write to Miss Fisher and thank her myself. I'll have plenty of candy to chew on now - so thank you sweetheart for sending me the box of candy. I guess by now you received some more money from me, at least I hope you did. How's everything at home now, everyone working hard? How much land are you going to plow this year, don't plow any more than you can take care of, I don't want you at Pa breaking your back in the garden - so take it easy, Oh say Mom, I'm not a Pvt. anymore, I'm a P.F.C. when you write to me use P.F.C. It means I got four extra dollars - Haha Love + Hisses God bless you.  
ITALY  
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From 36544672  
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New York, N.Y.  
April 25-1944

Dearest Mom + Dad,  
By the time you receive this V-mail Mother's day will have come and gone. I'll be thinking of you on that day Mom just as I do on all the other days. I hope you get my flowers, they're not the best I'd like to get for you, but I hope they will do. I hope you gets lots of flowers Mom, I know how much you love flowers, so I hope you get a house full. I don't have any new news to tell you it's just the same old line. I'm feeling fine and in the best of health - I sure hope your not worrying about me, everything will be alright. Well Mom tell Pop to take it easy and the same goes for yourself. Say hello to all for me. May God watch and bless Love + Hisses all of you always  
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From 36544672  
P.F.C. JULIAN VICELLI  
Ctry-D-216-AAAG.BN  
A.P.O.-464-5-POSTMASTER  
NEW YORK, NEW YORK  
APRIL 27-1944

Dearest Mom + Dad,  
I'm glad to know you received my check for \$390 - now you should get another fifty dollars - I'll be sending home \$50 every month. Let me know everytime you receive the money. I received your package of candy and it sure is good for hard candy, I laughed at the big suckers you sent along, but I like Holloway suckers - don't forget to thank Miss Fisher for the fruit cake she made - it was very good. It rained all day long Easter, so we didn't have such a hot time. I went to church and to communion - I go to church pretty regular now Mom and it's darn nice. I got a letter from Bebe Joy last night she can write very nice - she told me about the gang that was up to see them, Angie and Pete always have lots of company. Well sweetheart, don't you or Pop worry about me, I'm fine and everything is going along swell - take good care of yourselves, and God bless you  
ITALY  
V-MAIL xxx Julie xxx

April - 11 - 1944

Italy



Dearest Mom & Dad,

I received your Easter cards last night and they sure were swell. That's the kind I like - Well Mom, how is everything at home - just fine I bet. I guess Dad is back to work now - what kind of work did they give him? does he like it - I hope so. Did you get my money yet - you should have it by the time this letter reaches you, but if you havnt don't worry about it because you'll get it soon. I sure havnt very much to say sweetheart, but I'm doing my darrest to write a good interesting letter. Say Mom, did you and Pop have a nice Easter - I sure hope so. It rained all day long over here, so this Easter wasn't very good - the day wasn't.

I wrote a letter to Alene last night - didn't say much. Alene said she moved again, but to send all her letters to Vera's, she also said she

likes her new home - I hope so.

Beno is still in Italy and he writes to me pretty often - maybe one of these days we'll get together, I hope it's soon, I sure would like to see him - he's a swell fellow.

Well Mom how is the family coming along? I haven't heard from any of them in almost a month - I hope they're all fine - happy and in the best of health - tell them I said hello.

I got a letter from Mary one day last week, she said she expected to get layed off - she said the factory was laying off all the women. I bet she don't like that - look at all the money she was making - oh well a woman's place is in the home - HABA.

I didn't get the cake yet - I hope it gets here soon - I sure could go for some cake right now. Well Mom I guess it's about time to close - say hello to everyone for me - take good care of yourselves and may God watch and bless over all of you always - Love & Kisses  
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April - 5 - 1944  
Italy



Dearest Mom & Dad,

I havn't very much to say - but some how or the other I'm going to write my best girl a letter - hang on - here I go.

I'm sure by the time you receive this that you will have received the money I sent home - if you havn't received the money yet don't worry because you will soon. I ~~was~~ havn't as yet got paid for March, when I do I'll be sending it all home - I don't need the money over here, so I'll be sending it all home and you can do what you like with it.

I still havn't heard from Beno - I sure hope the bum is alright - I know he's over here in Italy, but where I don't know. Golly it sure would make me happy to see Beno - just like seeing one of the family. I got a letter from Nancy and Mary last night - they're both feeling fine. Mary said that Ford's was going to lay off all the women, I don't think he will - not yet anyway.

See Mom I wish I had something interesting to tell you - at best I have

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something new to write about, so little happens here - and you know how it is Mom I can't write anything I like, if I did I might get shot. You know Mom I was thinking that it will soon be two years since I've been home - it seems like ten, I often wonder when this lousy war will be over and we can all come home again. I'll sure be one happy boy when I get home again, maybe someday the war will be over and all us boys can come home - O Boy!

Well Pop how do you feel now? I'm sure glad to hear your taking a good rest after your operation - that's what you needed - a good long rest. How's everything at home - is everything the same - anything new? Mom can you send me some more pictures, of you & Pop and the family and the house. Say Mom do you ever hear from Elaine ~~any more~~ - Nancy said she met Elaine at church - I just thought maybe Elaine called up or something - I guess she didn't though. Well sweetheart I'll close for now - take good care of yourselves - God bless you & Pop and the family always - I'll write again soon - Don't worry about me Love & Kisses  
I'm feeling swell - XXX Gul' er XXX

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April - 29 - 1944

Italy

Dearest Mom & Dad.

I received your letter last night and it was swell to hear from you again so soon.

I'm glad to know you still have the old car for me to fix when I get home. Remember when I made the car, it was my first car and boy was I ever proud - I put the darn car together - I worked from sun up to sundown on the old car till I had it running. Sure was funny the first night I drove it, I went up and got Eddie and the gang, we started out for a ride - What a ride, we had four flat tires that night - boy we had a time. I'd like to have the old car

running again - just to fool  
 around in - maybe I'll make  
 a truck <sup>out</sup> of it again - remember  
 it was a truck at one time.

Mom did you ever go see  
 how "Doc" was getting along at  
 his new home - I hope they  
 take better care of him than  
 I did. he sure was a swell  
 horse. Mom is my saddle &  
 junk still under the step - how  
 is it, I hope it's not going  
 rotten - take care of it, I might  
 buy another horse when I  
 get home, but this time I'm  
 going to buy a horse to ride  
 not to work and ride - #444.

I'm glad your using my  
 car, I guess your not getting  
 too much gas but I'm glad

it's enough to go visiting once  
 in a while. I got your letters  
 saying you received my money -  
 Mom if you need it use it  
 because it's all yours to use  
 anyway you like. I don't need  
 very much money over here  
 so I'll be sending home at least  
 \$50 - if I ever need it I can keep  
 some, but till I need it I'll be  
 sending it all home. I already  
 told you they made me a  
 P.F.C., so now I'll be getting  
 four more dollars. My pay will  
 be about \$58 - I'll keep \$8 and  
 send the rest home for you  
 to spend or save - if you  
 don't need it save it because  
 money comes in handy when  
 you need it. There's not for

me to say about myself Mom  
 except I'm feeling fine - and every  
 thing is swell. I go to church  
 every Sunday and to communion,  
 so don't worry about that part.

I feel pretty clean today -  
 yesterday I took a good bath,  
 and washed all my clothes - I  
 had a lot of dirty clothes too. I  
 can wash clothes as good as  
 any woman now. I know what  
 your thinking Mom, but when I  
 get home I'm not going to do  
 any washing - we'll send all our  
 clothes to the laundry, and how! HA.

Pa wrote something on the  
 back of your letter in Italian  
 but I can't read it - I'm pretty  
 sure I know what he said even  
 if I can't read it. HA - I

sure am some dago, can't talk  
 it or read it - but I get along  
 alright with what little I know.

How's Pa now Mom? is he  
 still working hard or did they  
 give him a better job - after  
 all the years he worked for Ford  
 he should get a good job, instead  
 of working like a horse at 63  
 years old - tell Pap to make  
 them give him a good job, but  
 you know how Papi he likes  
 to work hard. Tell him to  
 take things easy and not let  
 hisself working too hard. Benio  
 is still over here and still  
 trying to find me - we might  
 get together one of these days,  
 boy that will be swell - won't  
 it Mom? I'm glad you



sent the new address because  
I have to have it changed here  
in the army - they got to have  
everything right. I guess Miss  
Fisher had her address changed  
the same way - I'll write and  
thank her for the fruit cake.

I'm still eating your candy  
mom, but it won't be long  
before it's gone. Well sweetheart  
I got another letter to write, its  
to some girl I know - nice girl  
too but still a little too young  
for me - he's waiting for her to  
grow up - HAH - I know - he's a bad  
boy. Say hello to everyone for me.  
Take care of yourselves and  
May God watch and bless over  
all of you. Love & Kisses  
Your Loving Son - Julie -  
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