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August 2, 1945 - Thurs

Sin at the Red Cross writing to you - their
was nothing to do in the city so I
and three other fellas come to town.
we already had our coffee and doughnuts
so now sin writing to you and my
pals are reading paper's & book's. I don't
believe we'll be here very long but
just how long we will be I don't know.
There was no mail tonight which sin
glad of because I still have three letters
to answer - I don't really mind writing
letter's, my real trouble is finding
something to write about. it's usually
the same old grind day in and out, so
what could I write about? About my
pass to Italy - they told me to wait
a little while till they find out
if everything can be worked out so
a soldier can get there and back
without too much trouble - they have
my name and the place I want to
visit to turn into the higher ups if
it's possible to get a pass to Italy.
I sure would like to see your
home before I get home - if I don't
see it now then I doubt if I ever

get to see it. If I go^{***} to Italy I'll take
pretty of pictures so you can see
how every thing looks. I hope it's not
all bombed out - a lot of towns over
seas are really torn up - well ~~we~~
we'll see what's what when I get
to Italy. The weather is still very
good - I hope it stays this way - it
did rain a few nights ago but it
has cleared up since. This Red Cross
is a very nice place but I told
you all about that so we'll talk
about some thing else. Say I'm glad
the kids are getting my packages,
I sent a package to all the bays, ~~but~~
I havn't found a thing to send to
the girls but if I do you can let
me send them some thing. I wish
I could send some thing to Alice, but
all I get out of Germany I won't be able
to get her a thing - these stores don't
have a thing - all I can send her is
my love, which isn't much but it
is all I've got for now to send
to her. Take good care of your-
selves always & remember I love ya.
God bless all of you alwayz
Buona Notte tata - Love & Kisses x x x

18 August 3, 1945. Fri.

Im going on guard at 9 P.M
til midnight, then back on
again at 6 A.M till 8 A.M - we
are guarding a airport. I
guess you know all about
the score not being lower,
I guess Im stuck over
here for a long time
yet - well I was expecting
it so muti with it. Ill
be in this army three
years pretty soon so if
I can stay in this long
then I guess three more
years wont hurt me,
Id like to see all of
you but their is no
way I can till I get home
my chin is still high
so dont worry about
that. I know the point
score will be lower
later on but just how
much later I dont know.

How's Pop and Mose getting along at home? Both working pretty hard I bet. Mose is swell company for Pop so I hope he stays there at home.

How's things at home? garden coming along alright? I just got back from the show - it was alright but it's not the show I wanted to see - tomorrow I'll see the other one "The Valley of Decision", I read the book and it was really good but I know the picture will never be as good as the book. The mail hasn't come in yet but I don't really care if I get any tonight or not. I still have three letters to answer which I better get to work on. Buona Notte tutti - and God bless all of you - Love & Kisses xxx

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August 8, 1945. Sat.

I went to the show this afternoon and saw "The Valley of Decision" it was a good picture and I liked it a lot. The picture isn't as good as the book - I really liked the book.

It's a swell day and has been all day long. I sure hope this good weather ~~lasts~~, I just finished writing to Clara and thanking her for the swell picture of Nita Don I got in her letter - I got a picture of Ben & Warner from Angie - those kids are really growing up I won't know them by the time I get home, which will be

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in about 20 or 30 more years. I got a V-mail from you just now and I'm really happy to know every one is feeling fine and in the best of health. stay the way always - take good care of yourselves always. will get to work on that porch & garage as soon as I get home, I should be sending my money home but I can't just yet because I'm spending it on junk and passes - I'll let you know when I start sending it home again. I still have a letter to answer which I will do soon - I hope. say hello to everyone and write soon. God bless all of you. Buona Notte tutti - Love & Kisses xxx

August 5 1885 Sun.

It's Sunday night and I'm ready to go to bed. I'm on guard all day tomorrow from 7 A.M till 5 P.M. nice long hours of ugly guard-fools. I went to church this morning and enjoyed Mass very much. They have a very nice church here in Eppleheim. I'll be going every Sunday now unless I'm on guard or something. This afternoon I went swimming for about an hour. boy that water was cold. I almost froze when I dived into the pool. Long and I were together so after a hour of fooling around in the pool we took a good hot shower then went

to the show - it was a
good picture - and I liked
it a lot, about 3:30 P.M.
the show ended so we
caught a street car - and
headed for the bay - yes they
do have a street car left
in Germany & running. I'm
going to bed now folks
so I'll say good night for
now - and hit the bay.

Say hello to every one and
take good care of yourselves
always. Don't work too hard
and don't ever ~~worry~~
worry about me - I'm
in the best of health
and every thing is going
along swell - I hope you
are getting all my mail
because I'm writing to
you regular - write often
yourselves - Buona Notte
tutti and God bless all
of you always - Love & Kisses
xxx Julie xxx

I August 6, 1945 - Mon.

Dearest Mom, Dad & Family,

I was on guard all day long - I got back to the bby at 5 P.M., got shaved, eat and went bumming around with March & Moore - we had a good time - I just got back and now I'm going right to bed - I've got to get up early tomorrow morning and search houses for what I don't know - I'll tell you about it tomorrow night. I got a V-mail from Alice tonight - I'm sure glad every thing is alright with her and all of you at home. I'm feeling fine so don't worry about me. Say hello to all and God bless all of you always - Love & kisses xxx

August 3, 1888 - Tues.

It was a nice day all the way up till this evening - it's raining now - a slow steady rain that I'm sure will last all night. I'm on guard tonight at midnight till 3 A.M. in the morning.

I went to the show this afternoon and saw a pretty good picture - plenty of action in it. I got my P.X. so I've got plenty of candy & junk now to chew on. I should get plenty of sleep tonight now that it's raining - I can't go anywhere because of the rain - I could use some good sleep. I still have three letters to answer but I sure don't feel like it - it's got to be done though. Buona Notte tutti and God bless all of you. Love & Thines XXX

August 8, 1945 - Wed

I just answered a letter
and at mail call I got
four more - add two + four
and I've still got six
letters to answer - one by
one I'll get them answered
I hope. I don't feel much
like writing because I
have so little to say
but somehow I'll answer
all my mail - I hope - ha ha.
I won't be on guard
tonight so I guess I'll go
running around for a little
while then right to bed
for some good sleep.

I'm feeling swell folks &
all is going along swell - a
little boresome but that
is to be expected. I seen
another show today - nutty
but good enough to pass
two hours away. Say hello
to all & God bless all of
you - Buona Stato tutti. Lone & Thinner

IV August 9, 1945 - Khure

I don't have much to say because I've done nothing of interest today - it's raining and has been all day long and it looks like it will rain all night too. This kind of weather ruins everything for us - we can't go anywhere - just stay inside till it stops raining, which I hope is soon. I had a little nap but woke up when these fellas started telling their stories - pretty of laughs around here for awhile. I've got to shave soon to be ready to go out - chow will be ready in 30 minutes so I'll shave after chow. I had a date for tonight but I doubt if I'll go now because of the rain. I got two bottles of Coca Cola today - we get them a lot now - sure do taste good too. Buona Notte tutti and God bless all of you always - Love & Kisses xxx

August 10, 1945 - Fri.

Not much to say tonight
because so little has
been happening. The latest
rumor is that the Japs
have surrendered - I sure hope
it's true - we'll know
if it's true or not
tonight. I'll be praying
it's true. I didn't do a
thing today except the
some old baloney. It's a
lousy day - cold and
rainning - looks almost
like it will snow. I
received no mail today
but I don't mind because
I've still got about
four to answer - how
can I answer letters when
I have nothing to say - We
just have to take my
time with them. Buona Notte
tutti and God bless all
of you - Love & kisses xxx

August 11, 1864, Sat.

Not a thing to write about,
everything is going along
fine and up to date I'm
in the best of health.

How's everything at home?
I hope all is well and
no one is worrying about
me - The rumor of the
Confederates surrendering is pretty
strong around here but
as yet it's still a
rumor - I sure hope
it's true - so many
lives would be saved
if the Confederates surrendered - they
better or their won't
be any left to surrender.
There was no mail
today - but I don't feel like
writing anyway. We got
our P.X. today so I have
plenty of grub to eat.

Buona Notte tutti and
God bless and protect
over all of you always -
Love & Kisses xxx

XII August 13, 1945 Sun

I should of went to church today but I just didn't have the time. There just isn't a thing to write about - everything is fine and going along swell - that's just about all I can say. We're all waiting to hear the news about the Japs - I sure hope they surrender, more of us will get home - the most important thing is all the american lives that will be saved - that's rough fighting over there and I know they want this lousy war to end - we all want it to end - but to end our way - we never want those Japs to get back in power - while we are at war with them lets beat them good so they

will never start another
war - the rats. My mail
is coming in kinda slow
so I don't know how every-
one is - I'm sure all is
well and that everyone
is in the best of health -
stay that way always.

The weather is clearing
up again - the past few
days were lousy but today
has been a fairly warm
day - the following days
will probably be a lot
better. How's the farm coming
along? write - and tell
me all about the place.
I hope Alene is home
to stay now, if she isn't
she probably will be soon.

Say hello to everyone
for me - take the best
of care of yourselves always.
God bless and watch
over all of you - Buona
notte tutti - I'll be writing
again soon - Love & Kisses

Your loving son - Julie XXX

I August 13, 1945. Mom
"Germany"

Dearest Mom, Dad & Family,

Another day and nothing to write about - we're all waiting for the news about Japan - we should know all about it in a short time. I went to the show & saw a good picture - I've seen a lot of good pictures it's about time figuring all the time I've been over here. It's been a cloudy day and it looks like the weather is getting lousy again - I sure hope not. These letters will be short and boring for awhile - I'll do better later on. Buona Notte tutti & God bless all of you a lot's - Love & Kisses xox

II August 14, 1945-Tues.

Well what can I write about tonight- there's just nothing to write about. I'm feeling fine and everything is going along great. The weather is 0 K, though it rained a little today - probably rain a whole lot tomorrow. I seen a stage show which was alright had some good laughs - it didn't last very long - about one hour. we had ice cream ~~&~~ with supper tonight - pretty good stuff. I think I'm going to bed early tonight and get plenty of sleep - I always did love my sleep - not much training now so I have plenty of time to sleep and fool around. Buona Notte tutti and God bless all of you. x x x

III August 15, 1945-Wed.

I just got back from the show and it sure was a swell picture. I really liked it a lot - about music and the man who wrote music, he died but his music lives on - it's a true story about a great man. I really liked the picture a lot. It rained again today and has been fairly cool all day long - sure hope it clears up tomorrow and stays that way. Nothing else out of place has happened, oh yes! the war is over, as you know - it's hard to believe but true - maybe someday I'll get home now - I'm going right to bed so Buona Notte tutti and God bless all of you always - Love & Kisses x x x

to August 16, 1945 - this

All you can hear around here is, "we're going home pretty soon now." I'm sure hoping that we do get the heck out of here and go back home - it will soon be three years since I've seen any of you - I ~~will~~ do miss the lot of you - I bet everyone has changed - I know all of us are three years older - the kids is what will surprise me, I've always been hearing how they have grown and how pretty they are - it's hard to believe the kids could grow up so fast - sure will be a happy day when I see all of you again.

It's been a cloudy day but no rain - which is OK. Nothing else of interest has been happening so all I can say is Buona Notte tutti and God ~~the~~ watches & bless over all of you. Love & xx

to August 17, 1945 - this

It's been a fairly nice day - not too sunny and a little cool but still a nice day - I believe it rained this morning, in fact I'm sure it did, I went to the show this afternoon & saw a good picture - "Bob Hope" played the leading part, so it was a nutty picture but good. Things are the same over here - nothing to do but sweating out going home - I'm sure I'll get a chance to go home in another year or two. The mail has been slow in coming but we're expecting plenty of it in a short time. Buona Notte tutti and God bless all of you - love & xxx

VI August 18, 1945 Sat

another one of those days when
nothing of interest happens - it
did not rain for a change
and most of the day the sun
was shining - this is unusual
weather over here - one never
knows what it will do - rain,
snow, hail or what. I've been
doing nothing but lay around
reading books - of course there's
always guard but then that's
old stuff. I'll be going to
church tomorrow morning,
but then I'll be telling you
all about that in tomorrow's
writing. I'm hoping that every
one at home is in the best
of health and having a swell
time - I'll be writing more
tomorrow so I'll tell then. Buona
Notte - take care and God bless all of you
always - come & see us xxx

VII August 19, 1945 Sun

This is the last day of the
week and so ends another
day by day letter to you - I
hope you are receiving all of
my mail - I'm writing regular
so there's no reason why you
shouldn't be getting my letters.
What a day it has been &
still is - rain, rain and more
rain - it hasn't stopped raining
for more than a hour all
day - I'm sure it will rain
all night too - we are having
plenty of rain nowadays. I've
done nothing but eat, sleep &
read books all day - no show
so I'll be going to bed
early tonight. The paper said
today that boys with 75 points
would get to go home - I've got
a chance now but when I'll

be leaving far ~~far~~ home is hard
to say - I only hope and pray
it's soon. I've pictured myself
going home a million times
I hope it comes true soon.
I went to church this morning
and the Mass was very nice,
I try to go to church regular
folks, so don't worry. My mail
hasn't been coming in very
good lately so I don't know all
the news. I hope Alice is
home and feeling super - see
that she takes things easy.

I'm in the best of health &
everything is going along fine,
I hope & pray it's the same
with all of you at home -
Take the best of care of your-
selves and may God watch and
bless over all of you always.
Buona Notte tubi - Julie
Love & Kisses - XXX

I August 20, 1945 - Mon.
"Heidelberg
Germany"

Dearest Mom, Dad & Family,

75 men left for home - it
sure was sad seeing them
boys going - after being together
for three years we were all
just a big bunch of brothers -
tears came to a lot of eyes
but no one was laughed at
or to blame - it was really
tough seeing them go - they
all had the high points so it
was right for them to go - I
only hope and pray my turn
comes soon - I wish I could
of gone with the other boys,
there's not very many of us
old boys left in the bby
now and is this place
dead - everyone is feeling

blue about seeing the boy's
leave and of course all of
us are wondering when
our train will come - they
say we will be moving
soon, but where I don't
know yet. I wish the heck
we were starting on our
way home. Boy, I really miss
those boys - everything is
so still with them going
it's going to be hard getting
used to the idea - that's the
Army for you - you make
some real pals then you
get broken up - that's life
for you. Jimmys Graniti
said that he would look
you people up when he
gets home - he lives in
Detroit - we came over

together so we know each
other pretty well - I hope he
keeps his word about seeing
you & Pap - this room of
mine is really dead now -
only four of us left in a
room that once had 20 guys
in it - I'm glad the boys
went home alright but
seeing them off was the
sad part of it all - now I
hope we get out of this Army
faster than ever. My mail
came in tonight - I got about
ten letters - I've got plenty of
writing to do now - don't feel
a bit like writing either - I hope
I go home so I won't have to
answer them - it's late, so I'll
say "Buona Notte tutti & God
bless all of you - I'm sure glad
all of you are feeling swell -
Love & Kisses XXX

August 2, 1945 - Tues

I'm writing to you with a
girl on my lap - she is only
10 years old and her name
is Meitta - she really is a
beautiful little kid - I took a
picture of her and if it comes
out you'll be able to see her
for yourself - I like the kid
a lot - she wants to come
home with me - I'd take
her if I could - she's too good
to leave in this lousy
country. Not much has been
going on today - I got my P.X.
and wrote one letter today
and that's all. 12 more boys
are leaving tomorrow - the
try is sure breaking up - I'll
be the only one here pretty
soon. I'll be back tomorrow
night - Buona Notte tutti and
God bless all of you always.

V August 23, 1945-Wed-



AMERICAN RED CROSS

What a place this is now -
only 85 left out of 185 - 14
more boys left today - they
didn't have 70 points so they
all went to a different
outfit - it's so darn lonesome
around here - a fella don't
know what the heck to do
with himself - I've been in
and out of these rooms all
day long trying to find
something to do - I sure
do miss all those fellas -
we were suppose to move
tomorrow - but now they
don't know when we'll
be going - suppose to move
around Frankfurt - orders
are always changing around
here. Mom, I hasn't been
writing to hardly anyone
lately so if they ask
why I'm not writing just

to them too much has
been happening and I just
can't keep my mind on
writing - a lot has been
going on around here
and I know none of us
are doing any writing
except to our family. I'm
feeling fine so don't
worry - I don't have any
idea when I'll be coming
home so don't get your
hopes up - I'll be home
only when you see me
coming in the front door.
I'm just praying it's soon.
The weather is lousy
over here - raining all
the time. We are not
pulling any guard right
now but if we don't move
soon we will have.

Beeona Matte late and
God bless and watch
over all of you always. xxx

August 23, 1945 - Ature



AMERICAN RED CROSS

We didn't move today and we won't be moving tomorrow or the next day - when we will be moving I don't know - I hope our next move gets us started on our way home - I won't say when it's be coming home because if I did something would turn up to spoil every thing - just don't be expecting me home for some time yet but don't be too surprised if I should walk in the house some time soon, it may be next month or next year, I'm not sure which it will be. Things are really dead around here now - every one is

gone except a small
bunch full of us - I hope we're
on our way soon. The
weather is ~~on the~~ raining again,
raining again and cooler.
I hope I'm out of here
before winter starts in.
No mail tonight but I don't
care because I don't feel
like writing - writing to
you & Dad is enough for
me, the rest will just
have to wait for a letter.
I haven't been out of this
school all day - there's nothing
to do inside or
outside - tried sleeping for
awhile - but couldn't - so I got
up and played a few games
of ping pong. I hope everyone
is feeling fine at home,
I'm feeling swell myself.
Be sure to write and
God bless all of you
always Love & Kisses
X X X

August 24, 1940 - m.

It's been a swell day
but only in the weather,
it's as lonesome as ever
with all the boys gone.
I did go to the show
this afternoon and I saw
a very good picture - Pop
would like it because
it had some good
fighting in it. Alene
was telling me how
Pop enjoyed the Tarzan
picture - lucky I wasn't
with him because he
would of climbed all
over me every time
Tarzan killed a lion or
something - I'd hate to
think what Pop would
do to me every time
Tarzan jumped from tree
to tree - Ha Ha - Alene -
Richardson went home

so that's that. I got a
letter from Alene & her
picture's and another letter
from Dot Leone. I like Alene's
picture's - she hasn't changed
at all - still my beautiful
little sister. I haven't been
writing to anyone but
you Mom, because I don't
feel like writing - things
are happening around here,
& how - more boys are
going home the 29th of
this month - pretty soon
I'll be the only one left
so they'll have to send
me home - he ha. I'm going
to get my P.T. soon so
I better close for now.
I'll be writing again
soon so till then I'll
be saying Buona Mattina
tutti and God bless
all of you always.

Love & Kisses
by the
Tom X X X

To August 25, 1945. See

I received your letter
tonight Mom and it is
really swell. I won't be
getting that pass Mom,
I sure wanted to get it
so I could go see all our
people in Italy. I can't go
because I've got 85 points
now and one of these
days I'll be heading for
home, so I can't take a
chance on a pass - two
of our boys are on
a pass now so they
miss out on going home
this month. won't they
be mad. Wow! I really
wanted to see our people
in Italy Mom but now it
looks like I've just have
to forget about it. I'm
sorry, sweet C. I've been
reading in all the papers

about how the people acted
in the states when they
heard the war was over -
I can't blame them - we
were pretty happy about
it ourselves - we'll be
home sooner now - I hope -
The boys that left for
home a few days ago
will be in the states by
the 3rd of Sept - lucky boys -
I got a letter from Alene
along with yours - it was
a peach of a letter - I'd like
to write to her but I
won't just yet - I haven't
enough to say just yet.

The weather is the same,
so much for that. I'm
feeling fine and every
thing is going along
swell so don't worry
about me. I'll be writing
regular - say hello to
all for me - and stick
around folks I'll be
home soon - Buona
Natte tutti & God bless all of
you - Love & Trisies x x x

August 26, 1945. Sun.

I must of walked 100 miles today - I went to Heidelberg with a couple of girls and they took me on top of one of these mountains. I'm really tired out - I should be able to sleep tonight at least I hope so. I went to church in Heidelberg this morning, I went to confession & communion too - that's something I'll do more regular - it was a swell church and it was really full of soldiers - I'm glad! I'm sorry again Mom that I didn't get the pass to Italy, I sure would of liked to have seen them. I'll just have to forget about it now - too bad I wanted to go to Italy too. It was a beautiful day and how I wish I

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could of been home with
all of you - I may be
soon so I hope the days
are as beautiful as
this one has been.

I've been getting plenty
of mail lately but I'm
not answering half of it
because I don't feel
like writing at all if
any one ask you why
I'm not writing just tell
them I'm getting ready to
come home and I'm too
busy to write just now
I just can't keep my
mind on writing any
more. I really hope that
I start on my way home
soon - I can hardly wait
till I see all of you again,
say hello to all and don't
worry about me. God
bless all of you always
Buona Notte tutti - and
Love & Kisses all per sempre

I August 27, 1945 Mom.
"Heidelberg
Germany"

Dearest Mom, Dad & Family,

Well Folks I guess I might as well tell you that I'm leaving on the first step towards home Wed. morning - the 29th - I knew it a week ago but didn't say anything because this Army always changes its mind about things like that - if nothing goes wrong by Wed's. I'll be leaving this outfit and going to the 106th Div, we should leave here for the boat and be on our way home by the middle of Sept. I don't feel any different because I can't believe it just like when I left home I couldn't believe

I was leaving - we turned
in all our extra clothes
& etc so I guess they are
well really sure we are
leaving Wed. Don't get any
hopes up, that way you
won't be disappointed in
any way - I'll be home
when I get there, not before.

Every thing else is as usual,
except the last two days
have been beautiful. I
went to the show this
afternoon - the picture was
fairly good. Don't send me
any packages and no
letters because I won't get
any of them after I leave
here - tell everyone else
the same thing. Your
big baby is coming
home Monday - ha-ha - I'll
throw my hat in the house
first to see if I'm welcome
ha, ha. Beona Natti - talk
and God bless all of
you always - Love &
Kisses Julie x x x

III August 28, 1945 - three

It's been a swell day but
as nice as it is I didn't
do a thing - I took a good
shower this morning and
in the afternoon I slept
till show time - I was on
guard from midnight till
three A.M. - I didn't get too
much sleep last night
so I made up for it
this afternoon - we got to
done, and I will as soon
as I finish writing to
you. We're leaving tomorrow
morning for the 106th Div,
when they will be leaving
for home I don't know
but I sure hope it's real
soon. It's hard to believe
I'm really on my home,
I don't know when I'll be
there but at least I'm
started - I should be half
way home by the end

of next month - I hope.
Don't forget to tell everyone
one to stop writing to
me over here - I won't
be getting their letters here
so I hope they don't write
if they do I hope they use
my home address. That's
about all there is to
write about. we had
ice cream with supper
tonight and it was
pretty good - I still like
my ice cream a lot.
I hope they don't push
us around too much
now that we're started
for home - they like to
move us around a lot
and I don't like that
a bit. I'd like to get
right on the boat and
head right for home.

Buona Notte till &
God bless all of
you always Julie
Love & Kisses XXX

T august 29, 1945 - we

Well we moved today about
25 miles from our old
position - I'm in the 106th
inf 423 Regt - I'm the only
one here - what I mean is
that they really moved
us about one guy here
another one over there -
none of us were put
together - we are suppose
to be loading on the
boat Sept 17 and should
be in our own homes
by the middle of Oct.
I hope it's a lot sooner,
I hate this waiting
around - hurry up and
wait, that's the army
for you - I'll be darn
glad when I get the
heck out of this army.
I got rid of most of
my junk but it looks
like I've got to get
rid of a lot more

my old bag weighs a ton
which is too darn heavy.
It's been a hot day
but now it looks like
rain - it will rain
some time tonight - it's
too darn hot. There's
not a heck of a lot
I can write about
anymore so don't
blame me if this
letter don't hold your
interest. I won't be
writing to any one
else so if anyone
wants to know about
me just tell them
I'm fine, which I am.

I hope the good weather
holds out till I get
home - I wouldn't like
it to rain the first
few days I was home.

Say hello to everyone
for me and God
bless all of you
always - Love & Kisses
XXX Julie

III August 30, 1945 - Thurs

Mom I'm sending home a
box full of stuff - it's
all my own stuff - when
you get it put it right
in my room - it has
stuff in it I don't want
you to read - the sweater's
you sent to me along
with other stuff I'm
sending them all home
so I won't have to
carry them around with
me - I'll have all I can
carry without this
extra stuff - when I get
the on that boat I want
to be traveling light -
I hope the box gets to
you because I'd hate
to lose the stuff I'm
sending - watches & fixtures
don't let anyone get
their hands on the
stuff - you'll have
plenty of time to see

it when I get home
which won't be very
long from now. It's
been a fair day ~~but~~
though every minute it
looked like rain - it
did rain but very little.
I did nothing but sleep,
eat and read today so
there's not much I can
tell you - they start checking
us over tomorrow morning
for any kind of illness
I hope they don't find
anything wrong with
me because I don't want
to miss my boat
home - I can't say for
sure when I will be
home but I should
see me eating supper
in my own home with
my family. I'm feeling
swell folks so don't
worry - Buona Notte
and God bless all
of you always -
Love & Kisses - Julie

August 3, 1945 Fri.

I sent home the box today so you should get it by the end of Sept if they let it pass - they should because there's nothing really important in it. I cleaned out my bay and now am ready for the show down inspection tomorrow morning - they don't want us to have any extra junk, & I haven't, though I did have a few hours ago. When we leave this station we go right to the dock - we should leave here about the 4th of Sept but when we sail for home I don't know - I hope it's soon.

The days are going slow for me - they seem to have stopped - nothing of interest to do around here makes things worse. God bless all of you always - Buona Notte tutti
Love & Kisses & xx

Sept 1, 1945 Sat.

another day is ending and like all the other's there's nothing of interest to write about. we had our slowdown inspection this morning and all is well - I need just a few things and its all set. The rest of the day I spent laying around and reading - that's it.

I'm going to church in the morning - the church is just a few doars away from me so I won't have a hard time finding it. I have received no mail but I havn't been expecting any - as long as you hear from me is all that matters. Buona Natta tutti and God bless all of you always - Love & Kisses

Sept 2, 1945 Sun

I just finished washing and now that I'm so clean I thought I'd finish this week's letter to you. I was going to go to the show this afternoon but I saw the darn picture, I stayed in and read instead - it will soon be time for show but I'm sure I'll have this letter finished by then - I really havn't very much to write about anyway. We were suppose to pull out of here tomorrow but of course they had to change orders, when we do none is some thing I don't know, I only hope it is soon,

XXX

I'm ready to leave any time, the sooner the better. I keep wondering what it will be like to get home in almost three years - I wish I could take up where I left off but I'm afraid I can't - I guess I have changed but how I don't know - you people at home will be able to tell me - I hope it's not for the worse - ha ha. I sure hope everyone at home is in the best of health and happy - don't worry about me because all is well. I'm hoping to get home soon though I doubt very much if I will be home before the middle of Oct. - I hope it's sooner. Buona Notte tutti and God bless all of you - say hello to all for me. Love & Kisses Julie