

June 20, 1943

Dear Mom

How's my best girl, just swell I bet. I sure hope you not worrying about me because everything is swell and I never felt better, I'm in good health and getting plenty of everything so please don't worry about me. I've been getting your letters and Alene & Elaine we have mail call everyday and I always get a letter from someone, yesterday I got a letter from Ben, I'm sure he knows I'm in Africa, I would write to him but I don't know what to say, so I think it's enough if I write to you, Alene & Elaine, because there's not much to write about so there's no sense in writing too many letters, tell Tena when she writes to Ben to say hello for me and that I'll come and see him after the war, we'll have a lot to talk about. I don't know what she to say right now so let's talk about Elaine, she said that one of these days she was going to come over to the house and see you, she said she would like very much to meet you and I wish she would, I'd like to have you two know each other, she's a swell girl, Mom and I like her a lot, maybe it won't turn out into any thing but I still think she's swell and I like her a lot. I've been getting a letter from her everyday and I think it's been swell of her to keep on writing like that, I've been in the army almost seven months and I've been getting a letter from Elaine almost



everyday and now that I'm in Africa she writes  
to me more often some days I get two or three  
letters all written the same day so I guess she's not  
tired is yet of writing, I hope she don't stop  
writing because I sure would miss her letters, I  
get a lot of letters from Ethel, that's Elaine's sister  
he's coming over to the home with Elaine, so I guess  
you'll meet the both of them, I'm sure you'll like  
them too, they're both swell girls. Well Mom so  
much for girls. How's Pa getting along I hope he's  
not working too hard, tell him to take it easy &  
you too, you both have worked enough in your lives  
so take it easy for once. Tell Pa not to worry about me  
because I'm alright and this life is doing me a lot of  
good, it's making a man out of me and I guess it's  
about time, but no matter how much of a man  
I'm getting to be I'm still the baby of the family  
Well Mom tell my sisters & brothers they can write  
if they want to but not to expect a letter from me  
because there's not a darn thing to say. Say hello to  
everyone and Mom for Pete's sake don't you & Pop  
worry about me because I'm alright and I'm not  
kidding so forget about me and take care of  
yourselves. Keep on writing and tell Gene to keep on writing  
and I'll write as often as I can. Well Mom tell Pop  
to give you a big kiss and you give him one for  
me. Love & lots of hugs & kisses from  
see you soon xxxxx Prot. Vecelli or Julie 4/14

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