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10TH AAF EMERGENCY RESCUE BOAT SQUADRON

Dear Betty:

Received your letter of Aug 7 and just between the two of us I don't think you should be so apologetic about not answering soon - for I am in the same boat. So it makes us even huh?

Say - I but you did have a swell time in Wildwood. The place sounds wonderful. Wish I could get a chance to go swimming again. Course I can go swimming here but the water would be rather cold. As the saying goes "It's as cold as a Mother's Daws' Love". (Remember I told you I was crazy) The water stay approximately 40° F. the year round. The it's colder in the winter. I've seen a sheet of ice on salt water plenty times. But I haven't broken any of it to go swimming. I'll take my swimming lessons in the shower while up here.

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chance to go home (and I hope that's soon) I am going to try to go your way. I would like to see some of your part of the Country. And too I think a little nite life would do wonders to my Morale. And take it from me that could stand a hoost or three.

I'll always remember the last time I was at a carnival. I went with an enlisted man. We had lots of fun - rode everything that would go round. Vertical or horizontally. Guess I kinda let my hair down a little. Course we had to have a bottle, and every thing we'd ride we had to give the operator a smoot. Even to the gals at the ticket window. If my Squaw could have seen me she would have probably disowned me. I wasn't drunk but I wasn't feeling any pain. But I or aye had fun, and that was what we went for.



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So you have written to all the Franklin boys? Well - knowing the "acomheads" as I do I wouldn't go round bragging about it. Just wait until you've met that mob. (Including me) and about each one telling you he's the nicest - well that's another question. And looks? - In my opinion the face of either one of the five would stop a clock. Maybe I should have said just four. For there's one that your opinion draws more water than mine - huh? There is an old saying - "you can take a guy out of the country but you can't take the country out of the guy." Well - that's me. As I said before I'm crazy. But I know it. So any act of good behavior I do will come as a surprise to you. Guess if (and I don't) I had a brain I'd still be a half wit. And listen sister (in law) if you think I'm kiddin' just ask that husband



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of yours. And that's what I like about me - every picture I have taken is different from the last one. I get to look at a new face everytime I have one made. I'm not bragging tho - just complaining. Guess I will have to make the best of it tho for it looks as tho I'm stuck with it. Can't even shave with any pleasure for the mirror droops.

Had a letter from Uncle Bud to-day. Sent me a picture of himself sporting his new uniform. And if I do say so myself he looks pretty snazzy. His joining the Navy (and getting hitched) really did things to him that makes a guy proud just being his brother (so mom said & she should know). I can make my wife so --- mad. We can be walking down the street and a pretty gal can pass - well I have to whistle and turn like I am going to follow and she (my squaw)



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will give me an uppercut that'll rattle my timbers from stern to stern. She may be small but she packs a hell of a wallop.

Well - Betty I guess you're getting tired reading this crap. Or can you read it? Lets not answer that. But seriously - I hope Bud and I and all the other D.S.'s will be home soon if not sooner. Write when you can.

As Ever,

Luther.

P.S. I wasn't kidding when I said I wanted to go home via your home. Could stay a week or so then maybe you could go on down and meet the folks. That is if I get home before Bud. You will really need some one to back you up when you walk into that gang. I know what I'm talking about. Just ask Bud.



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will give me an appointment that'll settle
my business from about 10 o'clock
It may be small but it's good
I'll be there.

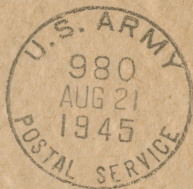
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Bud. You will really need some one
to look after you when you would
into that group. I guess you'd
talking about that one Bud.

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