

Sun. Aug. 23. '43  
4 P. M.

Dear Mom,

Nothing new & not much to say. Went to confession in a <sup>by</sup> german church in town last night. Once again it felt good to get back into a real church after seeing so much of small chapels and makeshift churches and altars.

Afterward dropped into a local tavern to get a couple of beers. They wouldn't serve me - I'm not 21. Consequently my morale dropped about 200 points. So I went to a movie. Went to early Mass today, spent all morning reading the paper, didn't eat lunch and came back here to the room to read a little & write some letters. Wrote to Auntie first. Then made a hurried penciled trial letter to the honorable governor of Indiana. Don't know if I'll rewrite & mail it. Never can tell. Swid I as much as told him, in a ~~very~~ respectable way, that it was and is a damn shame a respectable G.I. under 21 can't buy a beer in this lousy state.

Wish some rich uncle would ship us boys a case of rum. We could get coke from the machine downstairs and have rum-colas every night. But I guess I just wasn't born rich. # Not a damn thing to do here on Sundays. Gets sorta monotonous & gives you time to think, which isn't good.

But I'll snap out of it. When I start to school again tomorrow, I guess. Cause they keep us pretty busy. Signed the payroll this week. Should be paid a week from this Tuesday. Term's half over now. Was wondering if I should have my stripes sewed on my blouse - for the edification of the neighbors & others when I come home. Think, when my furlough comes, that I'll wire you to bake me a big lemon meringue pie and put an  $\frac{1}{8}$  <sup>th</sup> key on ice. Haven't had a decent piece of lemon pie since I came in the Army. And sin going to be mighty thirsty by the time this 6 weeks is up. Will probably start to ~~inhibit~~ imbibe long before I get to N.Y.

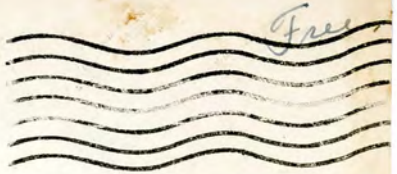
Damn Hoosiers!! Mom, you mention receiving a \$40 check. Didn't you mean \$45? That's what I sent, & I have a receipt for it. You mention how the Chief took Davey Joe out for a walk. Sure made me think back when I read that. Must've been 14 or 15 years ago. And before that many more years go by, the Chief'll be taking his grandchildren out for a walk, please God. And boy, oh boy, I can just imagine the time hill have with the red-headed members of the crew. Whoa - ee!

Yep, you sent pic of Rock, and later some of me & Dot. Pic of me & sis is good, but can't imagine it making the swell enlargement you say it does. # Gad, was I surprised to hear Richie is in New Guinea. That leaves me, as usual, the only one who's not seeing action! Damn! - Glad to see you're spelling Purdue right. - Signing off - near Chow Time

Love & prayers,

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