

Russell Kansas  
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Dear Bob:

I didn't write last nite + Daddy wrote nite before - I've spent most of this week making cookies for your votes. I made enough as I could send Larry Ray some. Bob I wish I knew how you are getting along - I know of course its hard for you since you can't write yourself, but I hope + pray you getting along O.K. its seems to God for you to be over there so far away from home, I know your arm must be painfull - it is tiresome I know the box it in that traction as long - just as it is O.K. when you are thru with it all. There are as many casualties now, I guess we can be thankfull it wasn't worse - no doubt your thinking its bad enough - of course we still really don't know just how it happened or what all - We have as many inquiries as to how it happened - Juanita Baxter was operated on today - she is getting along O.K. Della isn't doing so well - I really don't know what she would do if she had a couple of com's across somewhere, of course I know of course she is worried about Juanita - but of course she is getting along alite.

Well Bob you mentioned in one letter that you mite be home for your Birthday - so wish you'd hurry - I'll still keep your boxes going your way + if you leave all that some boxes going your way + if you leave Kenney doesn't seem to be very busy getting his votes lately - I've sent you both so many I've no idea just what mite have been in those six <sup>new</sup> votes you did receive - Kenney had received about your accident, he seemed to think you'd soon be home. I'm sending you the news + Record again - by 1st class mail - I do hope you get them sooner - I had or rather Daddy had a letter from Ernie Reicy today -

Thanking you for a ~~trip~~ ~~trip~~ I sent him - also Chet. wrote + thanked  
 us - also I sent Bud Smith a box - but I don't know if  
 he ever did get it - I should write him - but there's so many  
 things I don't get done. Ernie asked about you - Bob + Henry  
 of course - I'll send his letter + you can send it on to Harry.  
 I transplanted asters all day + pulled weeds - worked +  
 I'm trying to get started at house cleaning - but seems I can't  
 accomplish much - the weather has been terrible rainy  
 + cold - still hope to have a little fire - Well the search  
 Bond drive is on - Daddy bought a 2000<sup>00</sup> about a week  
 ago - + he says he's going to buy a 1000<sup>00</sup> this time - he  
 said he intended to love enough to buy a new car after  
 the war - I think including L. Ray's yours. He isn't all -  
 we have - ~~4,250~~ 4,250<sup>00</sup> worth + if he buys another  
 1000<sup>00</sup> - we should be able to buy some kind of car -  
 just as you boys get home. That's most important now.  
 By now you should be getting our mail now - We had  
 a graduation announcement from Earl Gertson, Larry +  
 we probably will love one from Bernard Marshall -  
 Bernard reports to the Navy as soon as school is out  
 + so does Larry Q. - Well son - I do hope you are  
 feeling better + don't worry about us as we are all  
 OK. P. is wanting us to meet her in N.C. over the  
 weekend - but don't know just what will do - Jimmie  
 + Bessie will join us there too if we do - but I'm  
 not sure as to what Daddy will do - if only we can  
 hear you OK we write - I know of course. I fore all  
 but - I'd like to know a join of course. I fore all  
 my cookies packed + I'll get them mailed tomorrow -  
 also Daddy has some Pentone Gum - also some  
 more fruit cocktail - my Car Caffer is here so  
 I should be able to send something to you soon  
 in tin cans - Well again I'll say. Goodnight Goodluck -  
 Love M M