

Salina, Kansas.  
June 30. '45

Dearest Bob.

Well, how are you getting along? we hope you are making some rapid progress. Deron told Gladys he felt so much better since he had been down to see you and that you had gotten better the past few days. we know it will take time but Bob you're just get to get a.k. again.

you must have been more than happy to see your mother. you really made a flying trip back to the U. S.

Did Norma Jean go back to Russell? we had a card from Gladys and she had talked to Deron Monday 6. m.

we were up home over the week-end - <sup>suffer</sup> Deron told you that Harlan fell out of a tree at Ethel's and broke his right collar bone. Dr. White fixed him up & put him in a brace. four yards of tape so he should get along fine. we took him up Sunday and he said it was doing a.k. just the beginning for many months no doubt. he is such a live wire and Bob he talks constantly. don't know where he gets all his gift of "gab"

I just picked a pair of beans & Page 1 of 3 some red



cherries - wish you were here to eat fresh  
cherry pie tomorrow - Do you get good food  
there at the hospital? - I know how  
anxious you are to get home and have  
Bina fix all your favorites - Banana Pie  
etc - I sure hope that time won't be  
very long.

Everyone up home was O.K. Ethel missed  
Larry, of course, but he writes real often -  
Guess he likes it fine.

Glady and Carl have a darling little boy  
and he is good just like P.L.

Bob, you should see your yard up home -  
it is simply beautiful. we drove by - every-  
one had said how pretty it is. Bina (I don't  
if she got any help from him) really put in  
some hard work on it. but they are well  
paid for their efforts - it is so nice.

we just missed seeing Uncle John Sunday -  
we went to Ellis in the P.M. and they  
stopped out home soon after we had gone.

I talked to Helen Dawson and she plans  
to meet Wallie in K.C. this week-end -  
The 86<sup>th</sup> Black Hawk docked in N.Y. Sunday 9.30.

I have a friend here - Mrs. Stewart (they  
own the Stewart Beauty Academy here + in  
Dofeka) whose husband is in that  
division - he will be home this week



too, before going to the Pacific. I do hope  
Dorcas & Bina have heard from Kenneth.  
Bless his heart, he must be homesick too.  
So Gloria & Larry are closer to home now  
Larry Ray must be quite a big boy by now.  
Mona Jean Osnell (Vermillion) & her husband  
were here to see us Monday. Frankie is  
in the Navy and home on leave from  
20 months on Okinawa. Sure wish  
Kenneth could come home. Carl's brother  
John told them he hoped to be home by  
Christmas!

Bob, I do wish we could see you. Maybe  
Harlan and I can come down after he  
gets some of his tape etc off so I can get  
some clothes on him. I know Bina will  
stay with you and as badly as we all feel  
about your bad luck we are thankful you  
are back in the states and hope and pray  
you will be well again - we know you have  
the courage and patience to endure the time  
it will take - none of us know what  
you have endured the past months and  
why did it have to happen to you?  
Tell Bina hello for us and don't let her  
rub all the skin off your back - ha. if the  
electric hot pad would help any you sure can  
have it. Be good and maybe we will see  
you. With all our love, Mildred Osnell  
& Harlan.