

Russell, Kansas, July 16, 1945.

Dear Bob, I just had a letter from Phil saying that last week end while in L.A. on a five day leave he went into the Officers Club at the Biltmore hotel. There he got to talking to a Captain with decorations and overseas ribbons, incidently the Capt. mentioned he was from Kansas and Phil plead guilty to the same offense saying he was from Russell. As soon as Phil said Russell, he asked, "Do you know Bob Dole" and then Phil said he almost broke my back pounding it and shaking my arm. He is from Columbus, Kansas, his name is Robert Scott. He was in the hospital with you in Italy and is right now on a furlough from a Texas hospital and is hoping for a discharge. Phil visited my cousin, John Hagan and wife. John is an officer in the Air Force and he to is hoping for a discharge. Then Phil visited his brother Harold and daughters.

Phil writes, "All but one of my old platoon has gone and a new batch has arrived. I feel more confident that I can train them than I did with the first batch. The most important thing is as much individual attention as possible and what mass production is unable to do must be conducted by the cadre who have the job and can do it well. I just got a new Plt. Sgt. with combat experience from Europe whom I like. His name is Zugg." Then he wanted me to let him know just how you were and be sure to tell you how much Capt. Scott thought of you. I went in to see your Father at noon and he told me you were gaining. I am so glad to hear it.

I am writing this at the office between customers and there is getting to be no between.

Love to you and your Mother,

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