

26 December 1945

Dear Dool:

Well, guess I'm due for a cussing out for not atleast dropping a little word or two as I told you I intended to do. Fact of the matter is, I havn't taken time to write more than a couple of letters to my folks since I left there for The next assignment.

First of all, I had to report to Chicago to pick up orders, which sent me to San Diego. There I spent besides a month and a half, just about all the dough left on my accounts. All the time * was there it was on twelve hours notice awaiting reassignment more than likely back over seas again. God what a time! Ran into Love about the first thing, or maybe I shouldn't spell it with a capital. Anyway I did run into the old frat bro. C. A. Love and we had a few liberties setting tne town and doing it up. He finally got settled with a trumpet player(girl) in a band that played nightly except Monday's in a local taxern known as the (Showboat).

Dec. 13 my orders came assigning me to LCI 662 which had me worried until I found out that it was here in San Francisco where I am now. I thing they will make me Skipper of another LCI that is here however as the present Commanding Officer on it is getting out of the Navy next month and they need someone with experience to take over.

Now here is the pay off. All these ~~xxxxxx~~ ships do here is go to various points to pick up liberty parties from the large ships anchored in the bay and take them ashore and back again. In ogher words we don't go to sea, won't, and what little we do only comes around about once or twicex~~xxxxxx~~. a week.

When I was in San Diego one night I was with a girl who works in a bank and while looking over ner library ran across a book which I took with the intentions of taking back, but never did. You will get a kick out of it I know so when and if the rest of my gear ever gets here with the book I'm sending it to you. Name of it is "Suds in Your Eye" By the way, how'd you like that book "Let's Make Mary"?

How about ~~goin~~g back to school? Do you think you'll go back next fall? My present intentions are definitely to go back if I eyer get out of the Navy, which should be sometime about May or June from the way the points are running now.

Think I'll finish up in the school of business in one semester and then take up Law school which ought to be a pretty good combination to ~~enable~~ enable me to make a million the first year out.

You sure as hell ought to be fired up for going back by that time and there ought to be a fresh bunch of new Theta's to pick from too and we can play the field (that is unless you havn't done too much convincing to Angeline or have you gotten too lively) She sure is one swell girl.

Had a Christmas card from Ward. He's still on the carrier Antietam, but I rather imagine he should be nearly on the list with enough points as he doesn't have to have as many as I to get out.

Had a fairly good Christmas here as I have a cousin who lives in Oakland. She invited me out for Christmas dinner and all that goes with it. I got there about eleven o'clock and drank Tom and Jerry's from then until we ate which was about seven in the evening. By that time I had a good appetite worked up, as tho I didn't when I got there in the first place.

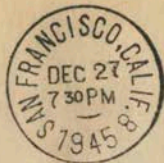
Now damn your hide, write me a letter, and let me know how you are coming along. And do it before you throw this in the waste basket.

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