

The Marianas
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Sunday Eve

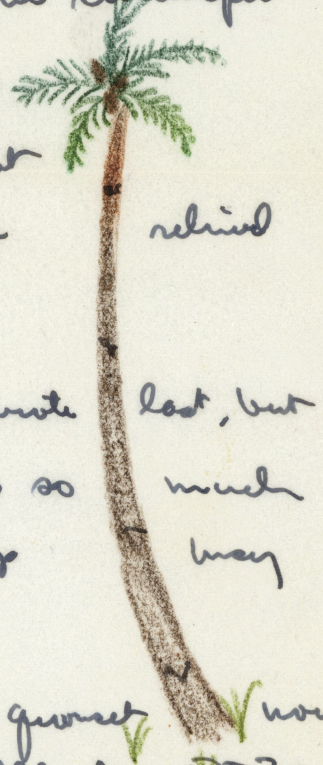
Dearest Folks

Good evening to all of you - may I come in for a while and talk with all of you? I imagine that in a couple of weeks the apple blossoms in the back yard will be out, filling the entire yard with their fragrance and beauty. Then too soon the lilacs will be out, and with their coming summer will almost be there. My how I wish I could be there with you now - more than that I wish we would all be together at home, all of us. I am thankful that I was able to be home this time last year - it meant a great deal, and after since then I have

relied
lost, but
much
way
I have kept busy since I wrote
it so good that way. Time goes so
fast if a person is able to keep
especially out here.

I wish you could see our guests now

To Albert - RT 30



it certainly looks nice. we have painted the inside (masonite) cream and grey - and ~~it~~ it looks good. I made some indirect lighting fixtures out of no. 10 tin cans. they look much better than I thought, and improve the appearance of the hut considerably. also we took out all the double bunks and put in cots instead. the bunks were a great eyesore and also uncomfortable, so after a little persuasion (SP) among the fellows we took them out and put the cots in. the cots are better sleeping and look 100% better. at first there was some controversy over them, but every one is satisfied and happy now.

letters from Janice this past few days have told how glad she was to spend some happy hours with you. I too am glad that she would have them with you. By now she must be back in Chicago continuing her work there.

also I received a letter from Bob Renfro today. It was good to hear from him - from what he said he must be close by, but unable to contact me. may but he certainly has been thru a lot out here

JH Albritton

I hope he can return home soon. From the things he said in his letter he has matured a lot since leaving home. It was too bad in some ways that his folks kept him so close, for if they hadn't I think his leaving the states so soon wouldn't have affected him so much.

Chapel this A.M. was again good. we had a brief moment of prayer for President Roosevelt, and then the chaplain gave a short talk about him. His sermon was about leaders and etc. He said in short that the leaders have their good and bad, yet we must work to the ultimate realization that Christ is and always will be the true leader of men. It was a thought provoking talk and I got a lot of good from it.

I am glad Barbara has recovered from her illness - how about keeping well how soon?

In another four days it will be dad's birthday - I wish I were able to pick a tid out at we organize for you dad. you know the that my thoughts shall be with you on your day.

The news of the president's passing certainly was unexpected. It is too bad it had to come at this time, but I know we must put all ~~at~~ our trust in God, and in doing that every thing is bound to turn out according to his will.



J.H. Albertson

I sincerely hope that Truman is capable
of carrying on in the great task he has acquired.
It is rather hard to put much faith in him
tho.

We had a good movie here the other night -
at least the music in it was very good. It was
"Rhapsody in Blue" the life of George Gershwin.
I enjoyed it a great deal. So many of the films
out here seem a waste of celluloid, but I guess it
is inevitable to get the bad along with the
good ones.

It is late and I must stop, get some sleep,
then go on watch at 2400. My prayers ~~are~~ are
with you always and I am thankful for
that which binds us together so strongly.

Lots of love

Jim

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