



AMERICAN RED CROSS

Somewhere in Italy

Aug 3, 1944

Dear Jim

You asked me when I was at Well I can't tell you only that I have already see action here in Italy but can't tell what nation.

Boy that you spend 7 days in the hospital with the G.I.s (Army) Well I spend 100 days myself in the hospital myself with the some thing and at a high cost of fever

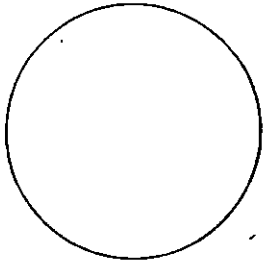
I had already heard about Mom & Mary separated. and I received a letter from Mom (My Wife) saying that they have gone back together.

Boy that you completed twenty-one months overseas the other days. Well the other day I spent that many months in the Army.

I guess that you have a sister what does at the present time & I am getting a long find now

your father
Tom

No. _____



[CENSOR'S STAMP]

James Still Tst. 35733320
Hq. & Hq. Sq. 8th A.D. G. A.A. F.
HPO # 606 7 Postmaster,
Miami, Florida

Anne Cobb.

(Sender's name)

Pemaquid Point.

(Sender's address)

Maine.

August 5, 1944.

(Date)

Dear James Still,

Just got your address from Hindman, where I had short-
sightedly left my books. It is lovely as ever down here, whether it be a gorgeous blue sea like yesterday, or a steel-blue grey one, like today. My sister is with me, and as it has been ten years since we were away together, we have been seeing some peace and satisfaction.

Read a lot of books too, among them the last of the Joseph series - not to mention a heap of Odatectic tales. And just now, a really healthy devotional book, with an exhortation that I aim to follow: "Be real! If you want to thank God for something, let it be something that you really enjoy!"

Wonder where you are now? When last I heard, you were ill, and had gone away to recuperate - which I hope you did. Did you ever get the book of little fishes? A collection, and you had probably seen them all; so if lost, small loss. Wandered in to Hindman, and we thought it would amuse you to recall them.

I had a jolly time with my brother Charles down on Cape Cod. He rises very early, and spends his mornings wrestling with two cranberry-bags, as a contribution to Production; the owner being in the Service. He saw a deer and a doe one day, and hears all manner of birds. His health is tremendously improved, and he is so thankful. What I started to say was that he asked me about you.

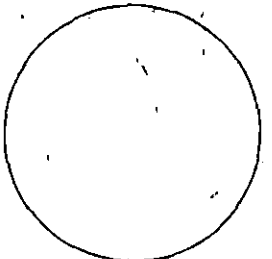
Inside of a month I'll be in Hindman again, trailing up & down Troublesome - a happy life.

Affectionately yours,
Anne Cobb

V...-MAIL

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T/Sgt James Still, 35133320

Hq & Hq Sq, 8th ADG ARF

APO 606, c/o Postmaster

Miami, Florida

G. B. Antley
(Sender's name)

Forest,
(Sender's address)

Mississippi

Aug. 8, 1944

(Date)

August 8, 1944

Dear James,

Your most interesting letter arrived.

Daily I've wondered about you. You certainly have been under fire inwardly and outwardly. Wouldn't I have liked to be with you viewing the ancient mysteries of the Pharoahs and the signs left by the Chosen Ones of God.

After all these years I have just read the "Magnificent Obsession" and now I'm reading "The Robe" - such a thrill and something else in them both.

What you have been through here and abroad will help you write a book equal, if not better than "The Robe", I am sure.

I took the liberty of putting your name on our prayer list. Each Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock your name is read along with a few hundred of our Scott County boys who are in the armed forces..

Lots of people do not realize the vast implication of this mighty conflict. Only God can see the vast opportunities that will confront us when this is over. If only a good many can see the better way then things will be all right.

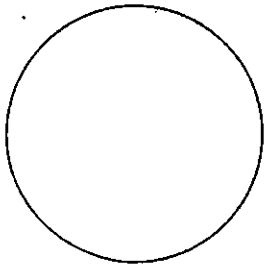
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Dear James,

Divine purpose God's will is being done, surely, only we are doing it the hard way as Jacob of old when he received the blessing his way instead of God's, yet he almost wrestled with God himself later.

When you speak of the pyramids and recall what Napoleon said to his troops as he viewed them for the first time, maybe too the centuries are looking down on you, as well as some of your ancestors, wondering what you will write and what manner of man will he be who reads your book and is influenced by it. Surely you are getting plenty of inspiratón as I can partly see in the new tone to your letter.

I have had some rich experiences since seeing you, thanks to a bountiful Father from above.

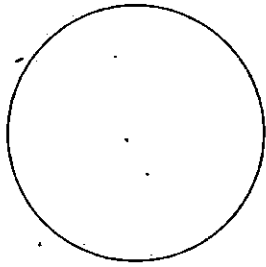
I too, will enjoy talking with you again,

With kindest regards,

Geo. B. Antley

V...-MAIL

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To T/Sgt. James Still, 35133320
Hq + Hq. Sq 8th ADG, AAF
APO Box 606
To Postmaster
Miami, Florida

From

Marie Marrel

(Sender's name)

Box 158, Berea

(Sender's address)

College, Berea, KY

Aug. 20, 1944

(Date)

Dear Jim: Well, it's back in Ky. for my 5th yr. at the same job. You know that's breaking a precedent for I've never stuck longer than four years and never less than three and a half in one place. I had a chance at double my salary in one County in Tenn. but I really like my job, so why go off to the ends of the earth even if I can continue here? It just takes a little while away - this year just a month in New England to make me glad I'm here. We did have a very able woman there who talked to us about U.K.R. A jobs + I think I might get in through American Friends Service Committee if I'd push it but the truth is I'm not ready in side to go so I'd just better hush talking about it. Here I am at Berea, Ky. for two weeks working with country teachers in a h of ty. workshop. On paper it looks dull and drab + they're no great shakes to look at but gee they're like kids when you get them started singing and dancing! Jim, do you know I'm afraid I'm going to have to buy a car. I'd rather have a bicycle or roller skates + be able to use them. I've been offered to give me \$100 outright to buy my own car so at least I've got to look around for one. Young man, do you know I haven't had a scratch from you since April. You may think you haven't a word to say and I know your side but that's all the more reason I want to know something. I surely feel degraded to fall into the ways of a nagging woman but gee I like you too much to stand by + see you crawl into yourself or whatever it is you're doing. That looks bad written down but how will you ought to know if I have whether it's silence.

V...-MAIL

to go on liking you
you hand out on
Ever, Marie

Bushnell, Kansas
August 24, 1944

Dear Uncle Jim,

Well, there was some misunder-
standing about the first package
but my bracelet came a couple
of days ago. I surely do like
it and thanks a lot. All the
girls really envy me when I dress
up and wear it.

We're really having warm weather
here. One minute it's raining and
the next, the wind is blowing.

All the family are getting along
fine. Eloise and Bucky are all
prepared for school as it starts
September 1st.

I'm now working as secretary at
the AAA office here in Bushnell. The
work isn't so hard but quite
tiresome at times. As college doesn't
start until September 18th, I thought
I could earn some money. You know
that is something which is always

new to home.

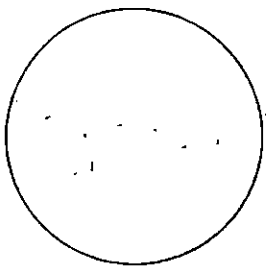
I let you not recognize the little old town of Quakertown now. It's all fixed up, new businesses open, and soldiers & soldiers. There's lots of rooms enough available to take care of the demands.

It is almost time for supper, so that means I've come to stop. I do have a great weakness for food.

All the family send their best regards and thanks again for the parcel. It certainly was appreciated.

Love,
Hazel

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To T/Sgt. James Still, 35133320
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APO Box 606,
90 Postmaster,
Miami, Florida

From
Marie Marvel
(Sender's name)
Box 158, Berea College,
(Sender's address)
Berea, N.Y.
Aug. 28, 1944
(Date)

Dear Jim: If I had sense enough not to write it would probably be better. I've thought all week about how I sailed into you about withdrawing into yourself or some such thing when I know nothing on earth about what you're doing. There's no use to say I didn't mean it for you're too smart a psychologist to know I must have or I wouldn't have said it. So that will have to stand. All I can say now is that I wish I hadn't written it.

Rumors have come to me that you're breathing adjustment after the war. I'm not surprised nor do I intend to give you a pep talk on it. You see it and that's enough. You'll feel terrible.

Politics colors all the news be it national or local. Both time of year for great scandals to be rampant charging misappropriation of funds - Leslie County Dept is the latest to make the headlines. How much to believe no one knows.

Had a long trip by bus to Tenn. yesterday - rains have so ravaged the foliage that it's hard to believe the tales of drought. The dusty rose Joe Pye weed, goldenrod and wild aster - all in fall is here.

Many changes in Berea faculty. Barrow has to leave you may be able to guess why. My lunch was correct - I believe we discussed it.

Did I tell you Hester Groves has come to be reference librarian at Berea? Frances came to visit her two weeks ago. I forgot to say Hester has a room in the same house I live in. Doubtless you've heard Frances has finally made the Greek at Hindman is to go to Statesville, N.C. to a Jr. College there.

Ever,
Marie

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Miami, Florida

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8/29/44

Dear Jim,

Your interesting letter received, written as you say in a "din", then the "Blue Envelope" which was appreciated very much. I, too, am sensitive to anything like you mentioned. To be alone at times in the Divine presence is sublime, maybe in the desert, the mountains or even into a good book is good. No matter how well you care for people and want to know them.

Your time will surely come again to feel the things you want to feel and write. To be able some time on the train or in some strange city to speak to someone that you have never seen before gets one something that he didnt know existed.

Sincerely,

Geo. B. Antley

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