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Dear Ann & Sam,

I am sitting here by my tent writing for ‘show’ — and since I am going to catch up on my correspondence, I decided this was no time like the present — I just sat down and just ready for my next command —

Thanks for the Xmas gift — I haven’t received it as yet but this letter won’t reach you till around that time — (I think)

The place here is hard — and my needs are few —

Before I got here (Africa) 187 we were just and while they were repairing desk we visited Bermuda for 5 or 5 days — it’s a beautiful place — 100% different than here.
The merchants down here use to charge for merchandise now since we’re here they charge x amount times as much and you know how I hate to bargain — so 0.0.0.0.0.

I buy nothing — (as yet) Besides — I hope we get paid soon — last week broke as usual — And I owe the captain 5 now —
If it wasn't for these damn flies, I'd take a sun bath —

You probably know that African landing so hot.

Said, "Got all my mail the other day and guess I was the happiest guy in the world —"

Carol wrote and so did all the family —

So just don't forget to send my regards to all my Uncle and Aunts — and to all the rest of the family.

Love,

Sincerely,

S/S [Name]

Received a 5th Star — for gallantly in action.

Kiss Gwichia for me —

[Signature]
Nov – 25 – ‘42’

Dear Ann + Sam,

Now I can’t sitting by my waiting for ‘chow’: And since I need to ‘catch’ up on my correspondence I decided there’s no time like the present: I fit as a fiddle and just ready for my next command: Thanks for the gift- I haven’t receive it as yet but this letter won’t reach you till around that time: (I think)

The place I’m at is hard- and my needs are few:

Before I got here (Africa) 18 of us were just a and while they were repairing we visited Bermuda for (5) five days- It’s a beautfiul place- 100% different than here-

The merchants down here use to charge for merchandise now since we’re here they charge 4 and 5 times as much and you know how I hate to bargain- So-o-o-o-o-o

I buy nothing— (as yet) Besides- I hope we get paid soon- I’m broke as usual-

And I owe the Captain $5 now—:
If it wasn’t for there damn fly, I’d take a [----]

You probably know of the African landing so no use repeating—:

Got all my mail the other day and boy I was the happiest ‘guy’ in the world—!

Carol wrote and so did all the family—

So just don’t forget to send my regards to all my Uncles and Aunts— and to all the rest of the family—

Love
Fred

Received a [strikethrough] Gold [strikethrough] Star- for gallontry in action

Kiss C[----]ia for me—:

T[----]