

31 July 44

Dear Doc -

Upon leaving Hawaii in May our division landed on Saipan on 15 June 44. I have been here ever since trying to eke out an existence. As you know the island was finally secured on 9 July 44, but since that date there have been several thousand more Japs killed. They seem to sneak down out of the hills at night to do what damage they can in our ammo and fuel dumps.

I've seen both Bill McKinley and Fred Eberhart on the island and they are both feeling fine. There must be at least ten others from R.U. here and all of us plan to get together soon.

Regards to all back home. I hope I can return one of these days and personally see all of you.

Fraternally,
Jim