

Oahu
July 17, 1944

Dear Gene,

Here I is, back again. I got a few pictures in so am sending you a few prints. We have taken quite a lot of pictures but have to wait quite a while to get them back.

With a little luck I think I will be able to meet Paul this month, who is on the island, Maui, with the 4th Marine Div. He is going to fly over to Honolulu and I will meet him there.

Bob Hope was on the island the past week and I was lucky enough to see him twice. Francis Langford, Jerry Colma, and Tony Romero were with him so it was quite a show. At the rate Hope does crabs jobs he has you in the aisle all the time. I have been rather fortunate being on this island as quite a few big league stars are here so there is always a lot to see.

To get back to the pictures, what do you think of the place I am living in? You can plainly see that we

are by no means in the higher rent district.
As I told Enaku, I am equipped with
electricity and running water, every morning
I run after a bucket.

I hope the weather hasn't been so hot
for you. You would envy the climate I am
in as I have had to use a blanket every
night since I've been in the islands.
The days never get as hot as they do at
home and seem to be just right. The nights
are even a little too cool to go swimming
but by morning every thing is right.
It's hard to imagine a climate staying
like this the year round. I wish you all
could see the islands as they are really
beautiful. The Chamber of Commerce did a
wonderful job seeing them to the public
but I would still rather be home.

I am instructing swimming now
so I get quite a few hours in a day.
I was sure lucky getting to take that
course and now am qualified to
teach the Red Cross courses in the islands.
~~I~~ I even took Combat swimming, that is
with full uniform, pack, helmet and shoes.
~~I~~ I had to jump 25 feet with
all my equipment.

Well June, this runs me down
for now so write every chance

you get. Tell Wang hello for me and
I will send you mine photos as soon as
they come in.

Your Brother
Dwain