

P.S. Enclosed are some photos I took in Normandy before we moved up. The  best picture of Herb is in Paris - and I will send it as soon as I return.

London
30 Apr 45

Dear Mrs. Sweryn,

I recently received your address from my mother. I was so glad to receive it, as I wanted to write to you so much.

I checked on Herb while I was in Paris - just last week - and he was still listed as missing. I'm very sure that he is a prisoner of war. I ran into one of our platoon sgt's, while in the repl. depot, and he said he saw Herb ~~and~~ and two other scouts captured in Germany. He said that the three of them were out in front and the Germans let them go through & captured them, and fired on the rest of the squad.

I've been under the hope and the assumption that this is what happened, and that Herb is safe. I'm very sure that he is safe & sound.



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and by now has been liberated.
You see, P.W.'s remain on "missing"
status until the red cross gets a
report on them. This takes a long time,
I'm praying that by the time you
receive this letter, Herb will have been
heard from and safe & sound.

I can't tell you how fine a
kid or how fine a soldier Herb is. I
miss him an awful lot - in every way.
Pat, Herb + I had so many good times
together from Colorado to Holland. I owe
him so much for all he did for me in
Holland. Someday I know we'll meet
again and I hope that day will come
soon.

I can honestly say that of all
the guys I've met in my life - none
were finer than Herb. His ideals +
morals were of the highest and he stuck
to them. I'm so very glad that I was
lucky enough to know such a buddy
beside me.
May this letter follow - very good news.
Sincerely,
Bob Hall