



AMERICAN RED CROSS

London
29 May 45

Dear Mrs Rudis,

I received your nice letter upon my arrival in London. We are checking them in England now, and have been at it a month already. Yesterday we got the first mail from Paris. It had been over a month since we had received any, so there was quite a stack for each of us.

I was very anxious about Herb, especially since V-E day. I was so relieved and grateful when I learned from your letter that you had received cards from him. Bea also sent me a nice letter, telling all about the good news. In her second letter she told me about the boy who has called home already, and he was in the same camp. I'm sure that by now you have heard good news. I know Herb is okay - he has got to be.



AMERICAN RED CROSS

I also received a letter from Pappas in the same bunch of mail. He is still going and is acting sgt. now. I gave him your address and I will enclose his for you. He, too, believed that "us three" would "roam the streets of the good old USA) again, together.

I can't begin to tell you how much I miss Herb as you know, we were always together and it's a wonder we didn't argue more. Even constant companionship didn't seem to provoke any arguments.

For three of us went around together because we believed in the same things. None of us smoked or drank and we always had a good time - no matter what we did. I've looked a long time to find a buddy like Herb, and I haven't found one yet. I've missed him so much that if he could walk in here this moment and grin - I'd have my foot head off. When I read that

(over)



AMERICAN RED CROSS

passage of your letter describing what Herb would probably do, if I told him what he meant to me, I can just see Herb blushing and grinning - and I can't help grinning right back.

I can't stand some of my bunch now - they have no consideration, no ideals and no spirit. They are the kind of guys who will take what they get with utter disregard for others.

I almost love Herb in Human Nature sometimes - but thank God I can look back and say I've known real men and there are such things. Herb is certainly one of those men and I'm so glad and so ~~prayed~~ proud to know him, and I certainly hope that we will meet again real soon - and that we will always be the best of buddies.

Thank you for your very nice letter and may all news be good news - I know it will

Sincerely,
Bob