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Dear Hersh:

Received your mail o.k. Glad to hear you are well and hope you stay that way until this is all over. Following the papers it looks like you are all doing a swell job. The Daily News printed your outfit as being with the 1st Army and we have been following it up since. Did you, by the way, have your picture taken in Geilenkirchen, by any chance. Anyway the boy looks just like you and we all cut it out. It sure is a double of you and will keep it in my book till you get home at any rate. Is there anything special that you need. Did you get any of the packages as yet? How about some juices or canned goods? DO YOU NEED ANYTHING WARM, such as a knitted Helmet that covers your head and neck? Sonny asked for such a one and Bea and Jo knitted it, so I just wondered if you too would have any need for same. When you request anything ask it of everyone so that if a letter gets lost one of us will have it. Maurie and Rhya moved yesterday into their new home, finally! The address is 718 Bittersweet and I am going there tonight. I bought them a bath room set, mat and toilet seat cover to match for their new home and want to see how the place looks now that all the decorating is finished. Mrs. Drubych finally condesended to move in with Maurie and hope things work out all right. Am still working at my two jobs and the time just flies during the week when I do, so I don't mind it at all. Our winter as just about set in, we had a little snow yesterday for the first time, but it melted faster than it hit the ground. Bernie is at an embarkation point now, ready to be shipped someplace. Mr. Soloff is pinning mother down (I hear) and wants her to marry him right away, but I guess mother just doesn't know what she wants, so will keep you informed if anything new progresses. Flor, Leo and Ina are just fine, and as I said before, Ina is growing into a beautiful girl, poise, looks and what a figure! A real PIN-UP GIRL! Does she write?

We all know you aren't having such an easy time of it now, but do pray that you take good care of yourself as best you know how and hope your morale is kept high.

Have you heard about the Doctor that said to the sailor:

Doctor: You must avoid all forms of excitement.

Sailor: Can't I even look at them on the street?

SP(T)3c: "Who gave the bride away?"

SP(T)2c: "I could have, but I kept my mouth shut."

Nov. 20th the Army piled up a 59 to 0 score on Irish in Yankee Stadium.

What a defeat for NOTRE DAME!

"I thought I told you to come after supper, Sgt. McTavish,"

"Aye, that's what I've come after, lassie."

---Our Army.

Pilot: Sir, the ~~enemy's~~ planes are thick as peas.
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Officer: All right--shell 'em.

Visitor(at asylum): Do you have to keep the women inmates separated from the men?

Attendant: Sure. The people here aren't as crazy as you think.

So much of that!

"Pop: And that, my son, is how the first World War was won.

Son: Pop, why did they need all those other soldiers?

WRITE YOUR REQUEST! GOOD LUCK! BEST OF HEALTH AND LOVE FROM ALL YOUR "KIN".

SARAH AND BEN

MAURIE'S SRS. HAVE WON TWO OF THEIR GAMES ALREADY AND HIS JRS. ONE WON and ONE LOST. HERE'S HOPING.

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