

Robert L. Stone to Mildred Hilson and Edwin Hilson

March Field, California, 5 March 1944.

Autograph letter signed, 2 pages + envelope.

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Sunday

Dear Mildred & Eddie —

I hardly know where to begin what with thanks for the letters, cute card, and delicious box of sweets. Anyway, let it suffice that I really appreciate your thoughtfulness. The assortment of eats certainly hit the spot.

As you can imagine life here in the hospital hasn't been any fun but before long I ought to be out. The toughest part of all this is the fact that I had to leave my crew. It's tough to be separated from a bunch of kids you've gotten to know and like alot.

I was certainly glad to hear that John was home on furlough. I know how swell it must have been to see him again. The only trouble with a furlough is that it's always too darn short. Would that we could all come home for a permanent furlough!

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Again many thanks for all your thoughtfulness, Mildred — you know how I appreciate it.

All love —

Bobby

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