

**Robert L. Stone to Jacob Stone and Beatrice Stone**

Honolulu, Hawaii, 10 August 1944.

Autograph letter signed, 2 pages + envelope.

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Thursday Aug. 10th

Dear Dad & Bee —

There's little news from these parts but a few lines are in order to say that all goes well with your wayward son. I'm still at the the *[sic]* 7th AAF Gunnery School going to school for ten periods a day. Next week we go out on the range and then on the last week we do air to air firing. The work at school is well worth while although it tends to be dull at times.

Life here is quite a treat in comparison to the base. We're living in barracks and have excellent chow. We have a beautiful officers club where they have a movie (out in the open air) almost every night. It's really a pleasure to live like a human being for awhile.

I was so glad to receive your long letter from Canada, Dad. It sounds as though you had some darn good fishing, and I'm sure the relaxation did you a world of good. Incidentally the mail comes through most irratically *[sic]* and almost always takes sixteen days or more. I hope

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my letters get through better than that.

Many thanks for giving me the name of Mr. Kellett at Dean Witter + Co. I most certainly will look him up the next time I go into town. You beat me to the punch by sending me a contact here because I was going to write you about it and already I'd looked in the phone directory to try to find a branch office of one of the N. Y. firms — however to no avail. Getting money takes a long time here unless you know someone with an account in a Hawaiian bank. Otherwise your check must be sent to the Mainland and the back.

I'm sure you've read in the papers about Roosevelt's visit here two weeks ago. We put on a big air show for him but at the time couldn't mention it in letters. As you can imagine the islands were in a state of excitement for a week or so.

Must be off to bed now. Please write often because I do love hearing some word from home. The mail situation is terrible so please be sure that I get some when it does find its way through.

My love to you —

Bobby

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