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

Marianas Islands, 3 January, 1945.

Autograph letter signed, 2 pages + envelope.

[Draft Created by Crowdsourcing] The Marianas January 3rd, 1945 Dear Dad & Bee —

Haven't much of anything to write, but I received a package from you and a letter from Bee this morning. Many thanks for the various canned eats (lobster, tongue, & sausage) which arrived in perfect shape. The cake was delicious and fresh as could be, packed in a can. All your selections will really hit the spot and are muchly appreciated. Thanks loads!

I was glad to receive the announcement and clipping of Timmy's wedding, Bee. Thanks for sending them along. You asked about Barry and he is perfectly fine. He came over this afternoon and I just returned from taking him back. Frankly I didn't even know he'd had tropical fever and if he did, it didn't do him any harm because he was in the best of shape today. He gets off every wednesday and generally stops over to see me unless I'm off on a raid. Ordinarily I take him to supper, although I didn't today because we're eating with another squadron while our mess-hall is being rebuilt — next time he's over ours will be finished up. Actually it's no treat

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for him to eat with us because rations taste the same wherever you eat them, and that's all we've had on the menu of late

Guess that's about all for now. I didn't have much to say, but I did want you to know that the food had arrived and that I'd seen Barry this afternoon. S'long for awhile. All love —

<u>Bobby</u>

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