To:
Miss Jeanine Van Kerckhove
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Date:

October 19 1960

Dear Sweetheart.

How is everything in the north country these days? The weather here hasn't changed one degree since I arrived. The letter I wrote to you yesterday didn't say much about the weekend and it's just as well. We really worked hard trying to start the motor on the boat Saturday and then after ive got it running we couldn't shift gears so we still couldn't go out.

Maj Mathis and Capt Andersen took it over to "Small boats" where we were going to leave it until the next day. Just as we were ready to leave we noticed this friend's boat was about ready to sink, so we carried a 200lb pump over to it. We worked from two o'clock until four trying to start the stupid pump. We had the pump sitting about three feet from a pool and while I was trying to start the thing the rope broke and I ??? the pool ??? fence with my right arm. I didn't break anything but it sure did hurt. They got the pump going and got some of the water out so we quit.

That night maj mathis dropped a piece of iron on his foot and was still having a hard time walking today. Sunday morning a truck hit our new 27 day old air force car as it was parked. The door can't be fixed so they have to send it back to the states for a new one. We'll be lucky to get one in three months. ??? in the process of pulling the boat out of the water it fell and completely tore out the seats.

Well at any rate now you know why I wasn't in a better writing mood this weekend. All weekend I kept saying cheer up things could be worse and you know what happened.

Well today I received the letter you wrote last monday. You said something about writing one sunday and I haven't received it yet. Oh well, maybe tomorrow. I did receive your dads letter today and was happy to hear that he didn't have any objection to us getting married. He mentioned something about christmas however it doesn't look like I'll be able to get back to the states then. It's not impossible but I think I would have a better chance anytime after the first of the year. Let me know what is the next time for you and your parents and I'm sure I'll be able to work something out. I sure wish the phones were working down here.

Well sweetheart I'm going to close for now. I'll try and write your data later in the week. Be good and remember I love you.

All my love Larry A Alsonan 5,002A Me Monol Station Many #117, 10 FPO Mew Jond, Mig. Miss Jeanine Van Derchlone 201 Mendow Lone Colonial Heights Hengaport, Tenn

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