

[21 Hillside Ave
Pittsfield, Mass]

November 30 '44

Dear Frank,

How is the Navy treating you these days? Not as good as you'd like, humm? That seems to be a habit of theirs.

Mother told me you called that night to ask about Bob. I think it wasn't too long after he had gone back to Philly. He is still stationed at the Navy Yard & seems to be having a good time.

He hasn't had a chance to come home since his 30-day furlough but is trying to get a 72-hour pass & would be home for a short time anyway. He has spent a couple days in the hospital from a malaria attack but seems to be okay now. His six months will be up in January & he figures he'll be back over if not before then.

I don't know who
 it could have been
 that gave you that snap
 of Jane & I, I wonder.

With an APD New York
 you must be near
 England & France. You
 must have seen the
 world since you joined
 the Navy. In Turkey
 you would never
 have dreamed you
 would sail the seven
 seas. It must be
 more interesting seeing
 the countries than
 reading about ^{them} back
 in Miss Staples' (saw)
 Mrs. Mullen's class.

It was quite a coincidence but I received a letter from Larry Grizely the day after I received yours. He doesn't say much but every thing is going along with him. I know he was in the invasion of Guam.

I saw a friend of yours just last week - Ed Sheffler. He took basic with you, didn't he? He just got back from 8 months overseas & shipped in at Philly.

Sincerely,

Joan

Mc Armiskey