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HI-YA  
FRANK,

Will, what do you say Gooch?

What's cooking Frank? I'm feeling fine  
and here's hoping to hear the same  
from you. I received two of your  
letters this week and believe me  
that picture took the cake, I almost  
died laughing, it was O.K. Frank.

How do you like them steel helmets  
Frank? They weight a ton don't they.

I was out in the field three weeks

with one of them helmets and when

I took it off I thought I was flying.

Frank, this is Wed. night and I'm half  
dead, I'm now lying on my bed  
writing this letter half asleep, I'm  
using tooth pick to hold my eyelids  
open so I won't fall asleep. There  
is one advantage you have on me in  
the navy and that is you don't have

to go on them big long hikes. This afternoon we went on a fifteen mile hike with a full field pack and believe me when I got back my tongue was hanging down to my feet; believe it or not Frank, we march better than five miles an hour, we practically run all the way. Some guys fall out by the numbers but Scadato still plugs on, it's really a sight to see all these fat <sup>guys</sup> trying to keep the fast march, they puff and puff. My feet hold out okay on these marches and also my wind, the only thing that gets me is that chafe man a' live. when I got back my rear end was a blazing fire. I took a cold shower and then slapped a hand full of powder up my rear end and (ah ah ah) that felt pretty good.

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Wed. is the day for long marches and I sure hate to see that day come around. Say, Frank, I honestly had to laugh when you told me they give you all kinds of pills of different colors and they still don't have any effect on you. Ma ta ta. In the Medics Frank, we learn that the same kind of pills can be of many different colors, if you ever chew them pills you'll find out they'll taste the same. The reason why we give the same guy different color pills is because it makes him feel ~~good~~ that we are trying to do something for him. For an example, five guys go on sick call with a cold, what we do is, we give each guy a pill of different color that makes them think that we are doing something

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for them because they think they all got a different pill but actually they are all aspirins.

psychology fits very well in this picture. Do you get what I mean Frank? Do you like my pictures hey, Frank? I seem to have a tough time getting films. Say, is that

true that Mutt might get hitched?

Mutt can easily get a discharge

Frank because he's got 108 points

the lucky guy, I guess he deserves

it. I hope <sup>he</sup> gets a nice wife and has

a happy home. Well, Frank,

what do you do for excitement?

I went to town last week and

went to church and then came

back to the barracks and stayed

in all day Sunday. The week before

that I went to some picnic ground it

was some nice sunny day. There were

to many women there so I went back

to the barracks.

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you know me Frank, I'm scared  
of women, where women are I can't  
seem to enjoy myself. I'd rather  
face a lion with a spear ~~than~~  
than face any woman. I'm telling  
you Frank, I'm scared to death just  
to think of women (Ha) yes, there  
might be some doubt in your  
mind you wolf! I got to keep  
that bet with Big Billy so I suggest  
it would be a good idea to stay  
away from the women. Well, Frank,  
the boys are yelling, they want the  
lights out it's getting pretty close  
to ten o'clock. so I guess I'll close  
and hit the road to dream land  
so until then Frank, may God  
Bless you and me both. Read  
your Bible when you get a

<sup>IV</sup>  
Chard Frank it'll do you a  
lot of good. Take it easy,  
Frank

Loving cousin  
(Gould.)

Frank Leadato

P.S. By the way, I always use 8¢ airmail  
stamps because I can never get any  
6¢ stamp so that is the reason why I use  
8¢ stamps.

Write

Soon.

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and write a  
letter not a note.