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 SENDERS ADDRESS
 A.P.O. # 271, N.Y.C.
 11 July 1943
 DATE

Dear Bryant Service Club:

I received your very
 newsy letter just after returning from a
 most enjoyable light day jaunt which I
 spent in the beautiful city of Edinburgh.
 Just a year ago this coming week I arrived
 here in England and I have enjoyed my stay
 very much, however, naturally I prefer being
 back in the states.

According to this mornings news our
 troops have landed on Sicily and am hoping
 when I hear the news this evening that it
 will all be ours. This will probably be the
 start of the long awaited continental invasion.
 We all hope that it will be as well planned
 and thought out as the African campaign.

In your letter you mentioned several boys
 who were giving their best for their country -
 one of whom was my buddy through Bryant -
 Joe Dunsell - I have contacted his mother as
 well as a number of his intimate friends.
 For sometimes I had hopes that he may have
 been picked up but now, I guess, he must
 be presumed lost.

My work is quite interesting and have been
 extremely fortunate in being placed here when
 I look over some of the still fields where I
 could have been landed.

Paper seems to be running short so
 must close - hoping to hear from you again
 as soon

Bill

V-MAIL