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Darling Johnny:

I received your lovely letter in the midst of a terrific heat spell and was very happy to hear from you. As I said before the weather is very sultry and tends to make me very lazy.

I've gone swimming a few times recently with some friends. Did I tell you how the ride that went up in the water? Well here goes! It's higher than treetops comprised of two rails and we sat on a small plank. At first did the train! When we hit the bottom quite breathless we were thrown into the lake! What a thrill! It's one of "rose" travel at your own risk" rides. My partner is daring and always has.at least politely forced me — it.
Enclosed herewith is a picture of me in sports in my backyard. As usual, I am sunbathing up at the air! I went to sell this last week and forgot. Around my neck is the Marine Corps dog tag although it is hardly visible in the picture! My fit is blue but the picture is looks white! Anyway I hope you like it!

You asked about the mail situation as I can only say "they just ain't!" Poor English! but it doesn't describe the situation! However they (men) that are around are married!

I was glad to hear you got a new tent! At least now you'll be able to sleep comfortable! Marines from Guadalcanal, Cape Gloucester etc. home at least returned home after 27 months overseas! However they looked swell! Quite a few of the heroes come from this neighborhood although I don't know them personally. But if not the majority of them are getting married! I cannot
understand that for the likes of going from the frying pan into the fire. However, I'm not a good judge in this for I have a distorted viewpoint on marriage! I think my brother knows one of the marines – his name is Sweeney! He got married one week and the following week was best man for his buddy who married Sweeney's sister! Quite a mix ’em up affair, eh! It was too bad about the fire in Corn. However, a few days ago Hoboken pier burnt down and caused lots of damage. Hoboken is our neighbor in ship loaded with dynamite and the bark before it caught fire. Then Saturday Sun Park (Coney Is.) had a terrible fire and Sunday past episodes Amusement Park down to the ground! The majority of the people got out okay except a few girls who were trapped in the Virginia Reel! Yes, a lot more than happening! They say F.D.R. heard due to that terrible heat and dry boards!
Yes sometimes I think
you boys are safer overseas!
Really though I’m only kidding
waiter that one dance
with Red Cross girl at
that affair were you there?
he said the dances were
attire!

Tonight I’m going to time
Square N.Y. to see a play
“Fiss and Tell”! It better
be good!

I’m on my vacation
now but don’t no place
to go so my friends are
just working! Oh well!
were you in the 29th Platoon
picture with Walt taken
in; North Carolina? I
have it in my album!
Well so long long
until later.

Love and Kisses
(remember I huga too)

Corinne