

AFTER 5 DAYS RETURN TO
V. P. MURPHY, SP 1/c

FLEET AIR Wing ONE

70 F.P.O., S.F., Calif., USA.



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Dear Boot ~~31~~

Dear Alice:

Maurice, it's a darned good thing you joined the Marines. (Though no one knows yet just what they are good for)

Now, if you want to quit the P.O. you can always get in circus bands; be a doorman, or an usher, or a bellhop. You've got the background and the uniform. By the way, if you want to get salty, I'll loan you my seabag. It's got more salt "on it than 85% of the Leatherheads" ever cross over.

Now to begin ² the letter:

I received your U.S.O. letter today. Thanks a lot.

I'm sure glad that you took Ma and Pa down the country. They certainly like it down there, and the last letter I had from Ma, she sounded like a lost soul. No one had taken them down for 6 weeks.

How do you like the Reg section? I guess they must be pretty well barrellled in there and having a boot marine to work with doesn't help matters any.

I'm still trying to get home, and if I don't

get my orders by the end of
this week, I'll be stuck out
here for a long time. You see,
there's changes going on, if you
know what I mean.

How are things at
home? Well I hope. I
guess Cassie is just about
ready to go to the hospital,
huh. I'm sure praying for
her.

There's not much in the
way of news from here. Things
are about the same as
usual.

Say "hello" to Johnny
and Helen and the kids.
and say a few prayers that

my orders come through, 1943

Dear Boat
Dear Al Love

Jim — FIRST CLASS and SALTY

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