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My Beloved Sweetheart, J

The weather during the past week has been extremely warm but since I'm able to go swimming daily I feel greatly relieved by the heat.

I'm improving in my swimming also, why the first time I went, I could hardly swim ten yards without being propped out.

A wonderful Monday eight page letter written July 24th arrived for me today along with a V-mail dated Aug 4th.

You are correct as to whom Marty Sewell is. His girl friend does live in the Heights and I believe I remarked of his injury when I told you I met

him at the Passover services some ²
time ago. must have just slipped
your mind.

It would have been much easier
for me if you looked the word liaison
up in the dictionary but I'll attempt
to explain it to you now.

A liaison person, mainly a officer
is one who is sent out to another
organization with the full knowledge
of what his own outfit is capable of
doing and his mission is to obtain
information whereby he will
be able to have his own
unit give the ~~no~~ outfit ^{his} ~~is~~
~~are~~ supporting the maximum
maximum amount of help needed.
In my case in which I wrote
you about I was sent to another
artillery organization which we
were supporting.

now when the outfit I was with needed more fire power than their own unit could handle they called on me to radio back to my outfit and I would relay the fire mission which I received over the telephone ^{that} to my own unit over the radio. It doesn't mean going further up to the front lines because in the above case it was further back, but then if the unit we are supporting is closer, it means going there anyway. Don't worry about it. Is my explanation complicated? you asked for it.

I'm grateful that you are satisfied with the plan of buying you our desired gift for your birthday.

Apparently, five letters travel the same way and it's almost senseless to use air mail therefore darling I believe I

will be sending you of
just five postage.

Yes dear, there are cases
of malaria over here in
Italy but I imagine its
nothing compared to the
number of cases in the South
Pacific.

Can't recall what news
I was referring to when you
say, I said, "the fellows brought
news." It probably was good
news but I wasn't able to
recall it to you.

The finger prints on this sheet
is due because I applied Scat
to my hands and shoulders in a
effort to prevent the flies from
annoying me but they still
hang around.

I miss you constantly and
love you and need you just
as the plants need the rain
from above.

yours (never),
T. Pen