

Alaska -

February 9, '43

Dear Mama -

Did I acknowledge receipt of the annuals, etc. in any of my letters? I'm not sure I did, but anyway I have received all of them, - thanks very much. I can hardly wait for the photo case - I saw one the other day - not for sale, of course, and I've been trying to locate one ever since.

My allotment was supposed to start in November at 30 per month - have you received checks accordingly. I haven't received official notification and would like to know if it is running as it should.

I wrote Dad a letter about two weeks ago, and since he may be too busy to answer, I wish you would let me know whether or not he receives it. I addressed it to Oneida.

Walter certainly has his nerve, cutting away all the shrubbery—maybe he was testing a newly sharpened axe— or maybe he just lost his temper— or he could have been "steamed"—anyway you should make him replace every one, or make amends by doing some extra repair work or something.

No news, of course, as usual except that I'm fit as a fiddle and hoping the war is soon over. I heard from Uncle Joe

Aldridge 2 or 3 weeks ago  
but I haven't answered yet.  
I correspond with so many,  
from around home, I don't  
spend much time on any  
others.

I suppose Valentines Day  
will be gone when you read  
this, but you know that you  
are always first anyway - a  
fancy card isn't necessary is  
it?

Take good care of yourself  
and write -

Love to all,  
Bill