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Dear Russell -

Here comes my first letter to you from my new station - yours came almost a week ago - sorry I have been neglecting it. I had hopes of catching up once - dug down to two, then started receiving them by the new address (980) - now I'm in the hole again.

From various sources I have been informed of your maneuvering - even before you told me. I enjoyed reading about Billy Conn - he's quite a guy, eh? Here's hoping you the best of luck in

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your new undertaking. I feel sure you can make out ok.

Who was John Rogers - a brother of Hugh, Elbert, and Glenn? I'm not acquainted with him. Sorry to hear of his death anyway. Did you know him at Fontana? Too bad about Mr. Shaun too - he was sorta young, wasn't he? He was our fire warden - I never will forget him.

Billy is in N. Africa - according to the N. County paper. After I read that I received a letter from him and he didn't say a word about Africa. Now I wonder where he is. But I

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have his address - Pfc Ramon
R. Scott, 34724451, 30th Special
Serv. Co., APO 600, 40 P.M. New
York, N. Y.

Johnny wrote me again -
advised me not to chase the
Estkimo females. He, as well
as everybody else, may rest
assured - none available to
chase. I fear a real
honest-to-gosh female, re-
gardless of race or color,
would scare me half to
death. Or perhaps I would
drive her mad with my
genuine Alaskan stare. (As
I told Jewell - don't mind
me - I'm crazy)

Don't feel bad if you
don't send me a Xmas

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gift - I won't have an opportunity to get anything for you - nothing really worthwhile. No place to buy except PX's. So don't try to send me anything.

Good luck - and write me about your progress. I have a birth certificate on the way - I'll get my application in some day.

Your bro,
Bill