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Dear Alice -

When I can't think of anything to write in a letter - as you said you couldn't - I always say - "I'm not in the mood" - for surely there must be something to write about anytime, anywhere. A letter is a letter any way you look at it - and a letter from a friend or relative is a wonderful item up here. I saw Olivia De Havilland a few days ago and got an autographed picture - quite a thrill, yes, but I would still rather get a letter. Write 'em in red and green, gold and blue, or upside down - just keep writing! If I were you and planned to alternate those colors, I'd do it on each line instead of each word. You'll

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go nuts picking up the pens and laying them down.

I'm living in a different hut now - this one is called a Quon-set Hut. I'm with a part of the fellows who work in the Finance office. I'm learning how to compute payrolls of enlisted men. I expect to be going back to my company the end of this month.

Baby Snooks is on the radio - if you ask me the whole outfit is crazy. But she's worth a few laughs anyway.

I got letters from you, Bernice, Dorothy, Jewell, & Pusselle all in one day. I felt at home for a little while. Then when I start answering - one goes to Ohio - one to Arkansas - one to Nashville - only two go home.

I mailed your Aleutian

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story finally - you should have it by now. I hope I can complete the story for you some day. I left you - the story rather - suspended somewhere in the 19th Century.

Be a good girl - and write again. Tell everybody hello - that I'm getting along swell -

Love to all
Bill