

Dear Miriam,

After Missouri
MU Returned to Wash after July 3, 1943
Grand's birthday.

I shall repeat for the umptyumpt time how nice it was to have you at home. I find it hard to believe that you spent a week and yet we did enough to fill a month. The family thinks you're wonderful. The family think you're very wonderful. The St. Louis cousins enthused. The telephone here keeps on ringing about the party.

I got my final physical in St. Louis Wed. Morning and was qualified for active duty without comment. I am now getting some pictures taken.

It is probably premature, but Mother & I got some maps, world & U.S. for superimposition. Not that they will send me anywhere right away; but just in case. Meanwhile, I'm filling up on Mo. fried chicken, gravy, biscuit, baked beans, barbecue, chili, milkshakes, etc. Your telegram arrived on schedule & had thanks you. Sorry you missed the festivities - which amounted to a large watermelon with a candle stuck in it. Will wire you time of arrival.

Purple heart.

Love,

Don.

5 centons Gull's nation book.

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