

INDIANAPOLIS LIGHT & HEAT CO.



INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

June 27, 1923.

Mrs Edna Bernhardt,
Hagerstown, Ind.,
Dear Friend,

If I may call you so, and hope that it turns out that way. Please excuse the heading for being a little bit shy, but with your kind permission it shall be changed next time. As I told my sis I have nothing to write about until you start the conversation, so you see I am up a tree. We shall talk about a little bit of nothings than. First my sister tells me you're good looking, and got good ^{since} dents, savvy, well Ha! Ha!

that's my speed. Never did see
a bobbed hair blonde I did not
like unless she was uglier
than myself. So you see we
sit pretty there. Next, she tells
me you like nothing better
than to have a good time,
neither do I, "That where my
money goes." I guess that is
all she told me about you
so I shall have to stop writing,
so soon. By the way please
excuse the Stationary, no reason.
If you desire to write back

My Name Wallace Woodson
Address 323 So. Galcott St.

Here's hoping you have time
to answer

Yours?

Wallace Woodson

over

P.S.

I asked you to excuse the beginning of this letter well the same with the ending. Of course I have your permission to make a ending to suit myself next time. Answer: "Yes" or "No" I guess I shall throw in a welcome kiss anyway, you shall find it under the stamp.

Kell By by!

INDIANAPOLIS LIGHT & HEAT CO.
48 MONUMENT CIRCLE
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.



Miss Edna Bernhardt
Hagerstown,
Indiana.

time so as I shall
be sure to know. On
our arrival call Indpls
Light & Heat Co and ask
for me. Well be good
and do any thing that
I wouldn't.

Yours?

H. J. Goodson

P.S. Please answer that
question mark.

P.S. x x x x x x x x x x
o o o o o o o o o o o o
x x x x x x x x x x
Hope you don't mind

Indianapolis, Ind
323 So. Walcott St,
July 4, 1923.

Dear Edna,

Was so sorry
I never got to see you,
but I guess it could
not be helped. I met
a friend of mine
who said he knew
you. Said you were
staying with Ed. Bernhardt
at 1419 Ringgold St, is
it so? Said you were
as cute as you could
be, I believe him
over

there, you can't blame me
though. Did you have a
good time while at the
City? I guess I shall go
to the office and work
if it keeps on raining.
It sure is a dreary old
day for the Forth, don't
you think so. By the
way I called Tuesday noon
or between 12.00 AM & 1.00 PM,
about five times, but got
no body. I could have
kicked my self for staying
over to Doll's house now. But
I know that you will for-
give me though, being
first offence. If you
don't I shall have to
wait till you come to
the city and make up for
last time. The next time
you are going to come
write me plenty ahead of
love

swimming to do me
life time

Well be good
and dont do any
thing I wouldnt.

Yours,
E. J. Jackson

P.S. Eldles and
great folks of Kees
and Huges

Indianapolis, Ind.
308 So. Walnut St.

August 1, 1928

Dear Edna,

How are you?
Hope all OK. Please
excuse my not writing
as I have been
camping. I had a
swell time. Have
lot of funny stories
to tell on myself
as soon as I get
rested and cooled off.

What are
every body doing in
Haggerstown? Is it

as dead as ever?

By the way I
am going back to
High School this
winter. And if Mom
stays in Haggerstown
I shall stay with
her.

I hope you
never thought I
forgot you, but I
just could not
find time in Camp

to write or rather
answer your letter.
I never even had
time to write
to Mom or Tada.
Tada has
been racing round
for me not
answering four
of her letters, but
you know how
it is.

Had enough

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.
AUG 3
10:30 AM
1925

CITIZENS
TRAINING
-CAMP-
JULY 27-AUG. 25
FOR YOUR BOY



Miss Anna Bernhardt
Hagerstown,
P.O. Box 454 Indiana

INDIANAPOLIS LIGHT & HEAT CO.

"EDISON 18 EDISON LIGHT 88 SERVICE"



INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

July 11th, 1923.

Dear Edna,

Received your letter
all O.K. Thought that
were not going to
write, it took you so
long. You said you
had a punk "forth",
well there was nothing
dead about Ind. P.L.
About noon thought
that it was going
to be dead but
picked up courage
to go to Riverside
and woke up to the
fact that I was
asleep.
Had a Pistol
out raising the town

about 3:00 o'clock in the morning.

They had spindled Fire Works at the park. Went canoe riding only dumped over twice, but we had bathing suits on. The last time it tipped on us we almost froze getting out and getting our clothes on.

I guess you're having or had a good time climbing baby mountains at Cincinnati.

By the way you write an awful short letter. About the time I got interested you closed on me. Try to see how long of letter you can write, I never get tired of

reading a letter or rather
letters from certain people.

Do you happen to
know Mary Johnson or
Elmore Rice? They are both
good friends of mine.
Or do you know Edna
Baldwine, I used to go
to school with her. There's
lot of people in that
neighborhood I know. I guess
kids know me there more
than I know about.

I guess I shall
visit Haggerstown some
time in November or
if not than I shall
be there in time to
have a "New Years Hatch"
Party. But should like
to be there both times.
Hope you shall be
home when I come.

Well I guess I had better
quit writing or you
won't have the heart
to read my next letter
I send.

Well be good and
don't do anything that
I wouldn't

Yours?

Wallace Woodson

I guess I shall spoof you
for a while.

x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
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Its a good thing
these are not real or
somebody would miss
a few meals.

Write soon and a nice
long letter or a book
if you like.

INDIANAPOLIS LIGHT & HEAT CO.
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

Handwritten signature

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.
JUL 11
1:32 P.M.
1923

REGISTER
OR
INSURE
VALUABLE MAIL



Miss Edna Bernhardt
Hoggestown,
Indiana.

aha! Well honey I guess
I had better close hoping
for a picture & that
you will use some of
your "pep" to ans. real
soon. You know me

A. Yours

Wallace H. Hodgson
23. Hwy Co. 49
Great Lakes,
Ill.

P.S. Can't write anymore.
x o x

Great Lakes, Ill.
Dec. 27, 1924.

Dear Edna,

"Brrrrr", is it
cold here? I should
hope. Only 15° below 0°.
How is every thing in
at Hagerstown. By the
way before I start any
thing, "Please excuse as
I have not much to say,
only being in camp 16
hrs. Got in about 11:00 Am.

this morning. When I first got
of the train Sal most froze.

Say (Edna before I forget) I think
you should send me one of
your pictures. You know the
one I like best. I don't
think "Brownie" will care. If
he does, he should worry.

I've a place in my locker for
it. I've room for picture of a
good looking girl like your
self. I know you can't be
real mean to me. I wish I
was going to be there on
New Years. I always had a
good time there on good
old Jan, 1st. How is your
kid sis? Tell I said "Hello"
Did Santa treat you real
nice? Her & I are not
such good friends any more.
Will make up Sam sure



Miss Edna Bernhardt
Hagerstown,
Indiana.

A. H. Anderson
W. W. Gray Co. 64
Great Lakes
Ill.

Pearl Harbor T.H.

U.S.S. Heavada B#17

July 16, 1945.

Dear Edna.

Was thinking of you today and was wondering why I haven't heard from you. I hope you are O.K. and that I haven't offended you?

How is old Hager making out? I would sure like to be there instead of here.

Keep aint these Islands, but sure dead in some ways. No place to spend your money, that is the way a "Sailor" likes to spend it?

What are you doing
for excitement? Counting
the fives? I wonder? I
hear we are due to cross
the equator on July 3. I sure
hope so.

I am due home as
soon as we hit L.A. again.
I sure hope you're not
hanging in Cincinnati when I come.

Well how is the
gang? And Brownie? Good
luck to all. Remember, I
wish you luck on our
conduction. Send me a
picture of you at once!

Pardon this surplus
ink as you know how
tired

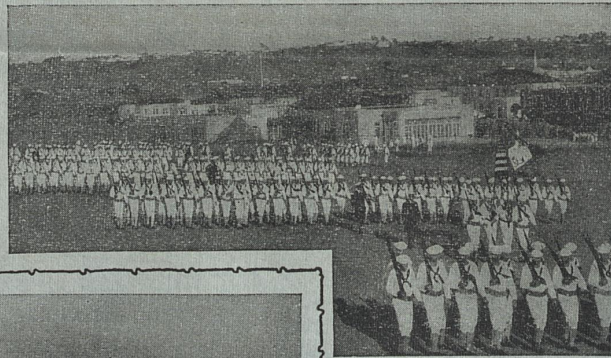
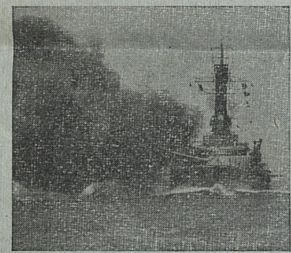
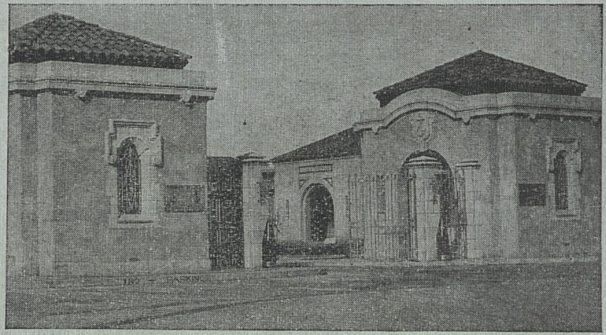
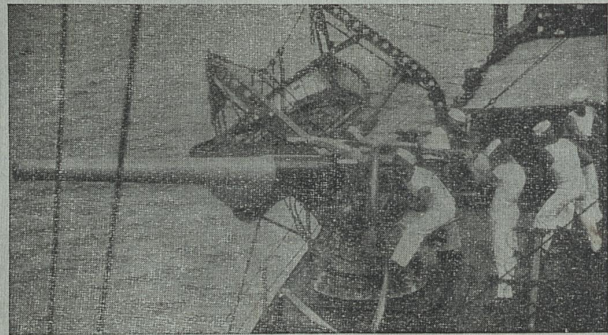
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As ever

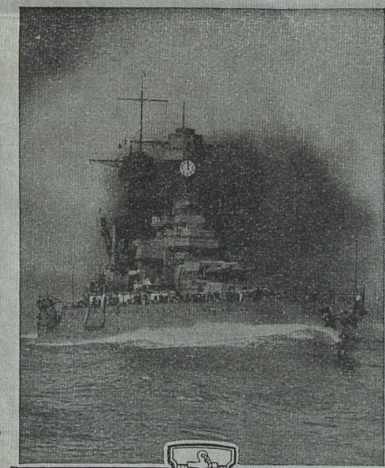
Yours,

Wallace

Come write a more.



Honolulu, 57th
21st St Nevada
May 4th, 1925



Dear Edwin,
Received your
letter today today
& thought it
had for
 gotten

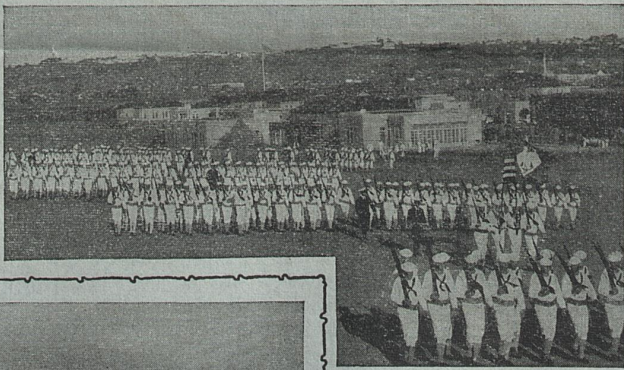
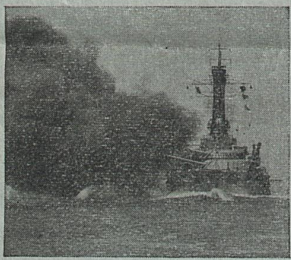
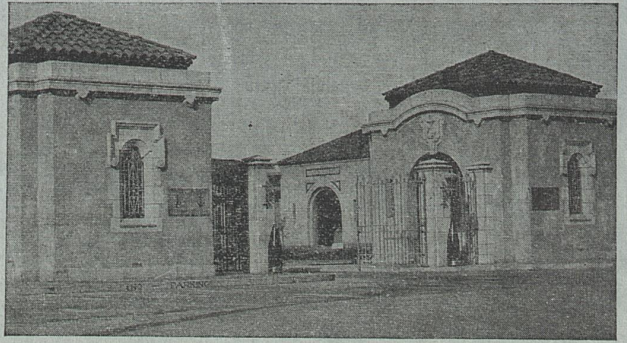
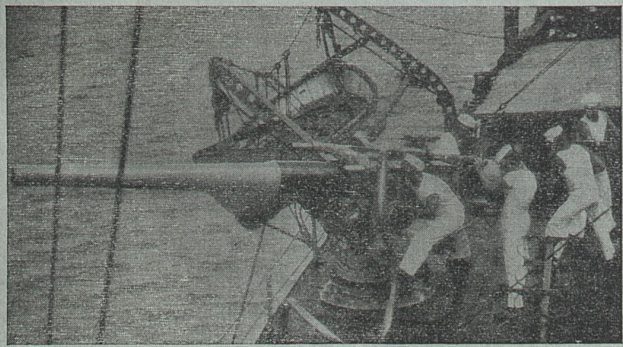


little me was still kicking. Glad
you never tho' I am a
grateful guy, no kiddin'.

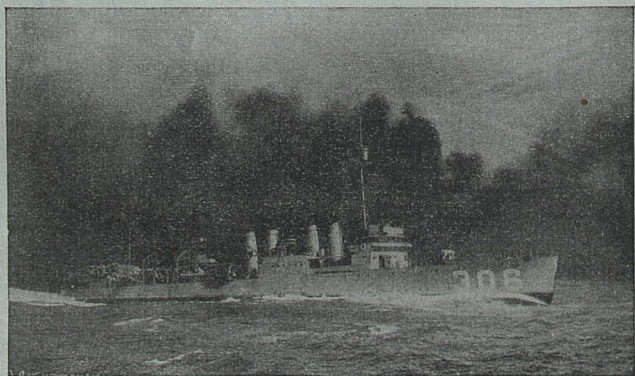
I congratulate you on
your success to graduate from
High School. I bet you are
sorry at that tho'.

I would sure like to
have saw your plays, but I
will take your word as for
them being good. I'll bet
you made a keen chorus
girl at that, "I wonder?" What
did Browne have to say a
bout it?

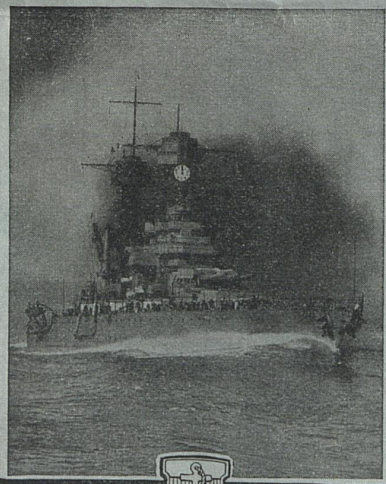
Calif. is sure one nice
dump so I shall not have
to wish a good time on
you. I am sorry I am away
on my cruise now, being



ELLIOTT



you
are com
ing to
Calif this
Summer.



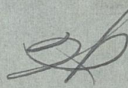
Are you
coming to
Frisco or L.A.?
Of course
you will have
your picture tak
en before you grad
uate?

Remember your promise?

I do, so don't do me a wrong.
Well honey I've ask enough
so it's my turn to spite out
something. It would take a
long time to tell about these
hills that rises from the
ocean so I'll do a good
job by sending snap shots.
Fair enough, eh?

Will I ans. soon? I
should kiss a pig in the
eye. Listen I think you
would gig me if you
had a chance, on letter
writing.

Be good & ans.
soon.
Yours
Wallace

Cum muto aware,  x x x x
o o o o

Honolulu T.H.

U.S. Nevada

May 19, 1915.

Dear Edna,

Have not received
a letter from you for some
time and often wonder if
you received my other letter?

Say have you
had your picture taken
lately? Remember, I want one?
I know you shall have
some taken for graduation.
Am I right?

What is this I
hear about you moving to
Cinn.? How could you
leave Hagers? ha ha! The
place will sure be dead
if you. Brownie will have

to tune up an "What'll I Do?"

Say my kid ~~is~~ must
be the berries? I feel like
beating her ears down at
times.

These Delands here are
the, cats meow, all they are
good for is to take pictures
of. ~~Not~~ than help me
think of the word and rains
at Honolulu every mite.

'Tis all in the breeze
they say. Any way I still
like the Navy?

I guess I shall close.
Be good and ans. soon.

Yours,
Hallam

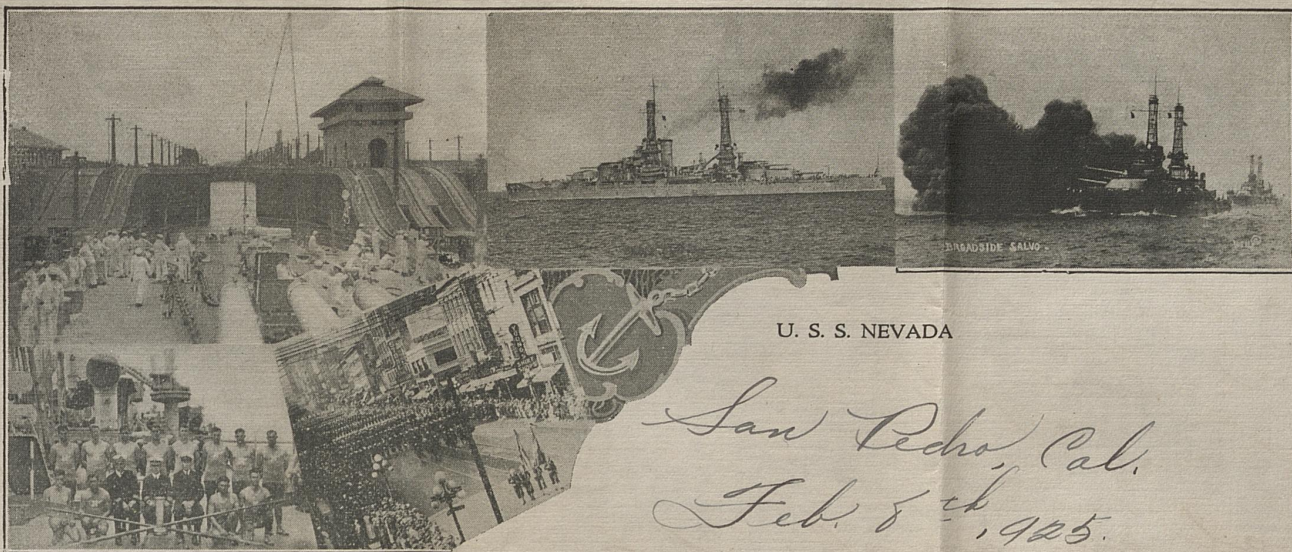
Yours till he's frozen over
and skating is good.

H. x x x x x x x x 0000

Miss Edna Bernhardt
Hagerstown,
Indiana.

U. S. S.

~~Handwritten scribble~~
W.S. Steadman #17
c/o Rm. San Francisco
Calif.



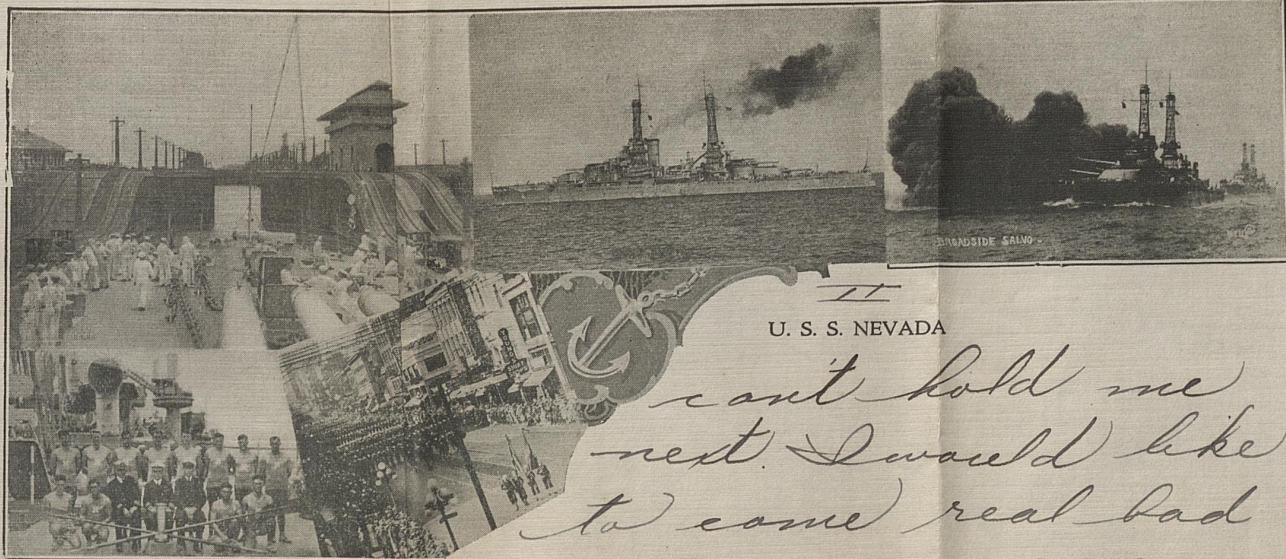
U. S. S. NEVADA

San Pedro, Cal.
Feb. 8th, 1925.

Dear Edna,

Well here I am again. Just arrived at San Pedro this morning & am feeling O.K. We start our long range battle firing in the morning. That means we get under way at 6:00 Am. We will be back to Pedro in a couple of days again. We make a trip to Frisco some time this month. I don't care how soon. Was you surprized when you received my other letter when you had not

heard from me for so long? Day
oh! day! I was in my first storm
on my way back from Seattle.
Lasted three days & nights. The
ship did every thing but sink.
I never got sea sick for some
reason or other. The ship tipped
at an angle of 32° . We had to
eat on deck. Water was every
where. By the way do I still
stand a chance of getting one
of your pictures? I am sorry about
the basket ball but I guess it
cant be helped. Good luck
next year. How is the weather
here, I am almost smothered to
death my self. The sun shines
all the time here. I have not
seen it rain yet in the day
time. I wont be able to come
home this summer, but they



U. S. S. NEVADA

can't hold me
 next. I would like
 to come real bad
 too. What do you do to pass
 away time there now. I often
 wondered what a fellow could
 do. I wonder? By the way I want
 a picture of you real bad so
 don't disappoint me. Well I guess
 I had better close as there is
 nothing more to say. Be good
 * ans. soon. I shall write again
 soon.

Yours
 Wallace.

P.S.
 I believe I would make a better
 dry land sailor. ha! ha! *W*
 Cum muto amore.



Miss Edna Bernhardt
Hagerstown
Indiana

W. H. Woodson
U.S. Headst. Box #2.
San Francisco,
Cal.

for it. Good reason, eh? My
kid sis told me of the
Mother & daughter ^{Conquest, ha ha}
said she had a fine
time. Well honey I guess
I had better close as
I've told you everything
on my mind at present,
Of course not everything
ha' ha! I had my mind
on a moon light stroll,
enough said. Well be
good & try & find time
to ans. sooner than
before. You know me all?
Feel Berowal, "hello"
As ever, only salty, ha ha
Hillier.

San Pedro, Calif.
Feb. 21st, 1925.

Dear Elva
Just received your
letter O.K. & was glad to
hear from you. I am
also glad Hager made
a good showing. Why
shouldn't "Brownie" start?
He was one of their
best players. Say, where
did you get that
"kid" stuff? By the way
I am a "big boy" now,
"almost hardly". I won't

of me, wasn't it; not to
write to mother. The reason
they had me on five other
ships before they stuck
me on this pigeron,
so I just sent postal
cards of places I'd been.
Dunder stood that you
were getting ready to
"granulate"; ha! ha! when I was
home, saoy? Sleep, I could
use plenty of it, won't
hurt nobody. The reason
I can't find anything to
do is that I don't want

Why was you shocked
when you heard from
me? And I think I am
getting jipped by only re-
ceiving one letter for
two. I'll call it square
tho, that is if you
have your picture taken
right away. And of course
keep your promise than.
No kiddin! No I won't
drown, not till I make
another leave some way
way, ha! ha! Has mean



Miss Anna Bernhard
Wagertown
Indiana

Box # 54

San Pedro, Calif.
U.S. Nevada
March 25, 1925.

Dear Edna,

Received your letter
and of course I was glad
to get it. I sure would like
to see the B.B. games my
self? Of course you'll send
me the dope? I wonder?

Sorry you are lonesome
honey, tis not ~~my~~ fault that
is, if I could be of any
help. How is Ind'p'li, dead?
How's Browne & the rest?
You understand I am
still looking forward, so
much for a picture, of sweet
little you. Do I win the

cast now do not? Ans soon, I
should hope, 'tis a shame I
cant ans. sooner, no kiddin?
So you are going to see Abe
Lincoln, since when did they
find out he'd make a speech?
Sure be glad when we start
on the Aus. cruise, I crave life
if I may ^{trump} call it that. Say boy!
you've become a real vamb of
late, have you not. I am com-
ming for lessons as soon as
I hit that neck of the woods a-
gain. You wont be too hard on me?
"Dont say yes, say perhaps." He fired
again today, we fire again
Fri. I had we are through till
Oct. "Do I look sorry?" You should
see me, hat hat Hell I guess I
had better close, so be good &
ans. soon. As ever,

Camp motto amore, Wallace.

Pl^{xx} Please excuse this short letter. Forgive & thanks!
the a reason



Miss Edna Burkhardt
Wagertown
Indiana

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How goes every thing. I am
going to waste some of your
time, what is if you read this;
If you don't, ans. any way, savvy?
What are you doing for your
health? They say late to bed, early
to rise, makes black circles under
the eyes. "By the way please ex-
cuse this scribbling, as I am
on deck on my stomach" You
should see me now, ha! ha!
Battle practice is not what it
is cracked up to be.

am almost smothered, but I like
it. I may be transferred to the Asiatic,
I don't care. How does Paul R. like
school? Are you going to C. or take
a Business course? Well I guess I had
better close as I can only think
of questions now, & I ask enough to
keep a he-nogger going. Well be
good & ans. soon, or you'll have me
wondering, "Who is the meanest gal".
I am as ever

Yours,
Wallace.

Cum muto amore

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1925
NEVADA



Miss Anna Bernhardt
Hagerstown
Ind.