

2 August 1960  
Rome, Italy

Dear Allan,

How is the weather down in that part of the country? The folks write that it is pretty hot at home and I've seen in the papers here that there are quite a few forest fires in the Western U.S. We have had nice weather here - it gets hot during the day but it's dry and at night it's cool.

I was planning to take a trip to Northern Italy next week but I changed my mind and will go to a little town down by Naples. I can lie on the beach and take it easy for a couple of weeks. It's been almost a year since I've had any time off and I'm getting pretty tired of the old grind!

I sent some money for a birthday present to you at your Fort Ord address. Did you ever get it?

Things are going pretty good here and about the time you go home I'll have just a year left. I'll be glad when I am a free man again.

ciao.

love,

That's an impressive <sup>title</sup> address you have.



From Belmont, Ma

Dear Dad,

I have thought of you often as I have been working in the yard the past weeks. I wish that I had done more to help you in all the work you had when we were little. The other day I planted seven Tomato plants and I thought of the times when I helped you plant some.

You have helped me more than you will ever know in my life. I think that I am becoming more and more like you and that is the best thing that could happen to anyone. I try to treat Kyrä with the love & respect that you have for Momma & I think that is the reason we are so happy.

Have a happy day. Our thoughts will be with you.

Love,

Hilton

Feb 1992

Dear Hilton

I think these things would be of interest to you.

The letter you wrote was in Dad's metal box. He treasured it.

The Army pictures were to Dad from Uncle Cliff.

Hope you had a nice birthday.

Lots of love,

Mom

8/21/01

Dear Allan

Thank you for the birth certificates and  
The running around you had to do. I  
appreciate it very much.

When you have time, could you please send  
The following info to Barbara, Clifton, Phyllis,  
and Audrey;

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Love

Clifton



7 June 1960  
Rome, Italy

Dear Phyllis,

I'm sorry that the Stoddards couldn't find me. They must not have looked very hard. The office where I work, the SETAF Liaison Office, is in the Embassy Annex, just across the street from the main Embassy. My name isn't listed with the embassy but the receptionist in the Annex knows me quite well. To find me, all one has to do is come into the Annex and ask for me. Most of the time I can get an afternoon off and I would be happy to help your friends see the city. It all depends, however, on how much work there is.

Today is really summer here in Rome. It is humid too - feels like it does in Utah just before a thunder storm. It would be so nice to go to the beach and lie around instead of being here in this hot building working. Maybe later in the summer there will be less work and we can take a few afternoon off. It takes about 30 minutes to go to the sea and there are some nice beach clubs. The water near Rome, however, is dirty and I don't think that it would be much fun to swim.

Toward the last of May, Memorial Day to be exact, we didn't have to work and because it was Monday we had a three day weekend. There is a girl in the next office that I have been going with and so she invited me to go with her to a little town just south of Naples to spend the weekend where she has a house. Tom Fucile, the other fellow in the office, the girl (her name is Kyra), her son and daughter (she is a widow), a friend of the son and the family dog all rode in Tom's car. It took about five hours to get to the little town, Piano di Sorrento and it was quite a trip. The dog is very nervous and for the first hour or so when he rides in a car he wheezes and moans. But it was worth the trouble, we spent two and a half days there lying on the beach and taking it easy. I hope that I can spend part of my vacation *there*.

Kyra is a very nice and interesting girl. I wish that she weren't so much older than I. Her father was a Persian diplomat who married a Russian. Kyra was born in Russia but has spent most of her life in Italy - her father came here in about 1927 to organize a world agricultural organization (it is now part of the U.N.) and stayed. She has both Iranian and Italian citizenship and speaks Russian, Italian, English and French. Her husband died about four years ago and her father just two or three years before that so she and her mother live together with Kyra's children. Quite often they invite me to dinner, etc. Last Thursday was an Italian holiday and we went to the summer home of one of the family friends (the vice-director of the Bank of Rome). About a month ago I went to dinner there and the Iranian Ambassador to the Vatican came too. He is an old friend of Kyra's father. All in all it is a lot of fun. Her mother is very nice and we all laugh and play when we are together.

I've been trying to decide where to go on leave. I want to at least see most of Italy and go to Spain before Fall. If one doesn't try to act like a rich American tourist, it doesn't cost too much to travel here so I hope that I will get to see most of Europe before going home.

I can see that it is a mistake to start typing one of these letters. It usually doesn't take much space to say what I have to say and typing it takes even less space.

When you have some, please send me some photos of yourself and of Samoa. I've been telling everyone what a wonderful place Samoa is but I don't have anything to back it up. One of these days I'll send you some picture of Rome.

Take good care of yourself,

love,

*Hutton*



10 October 1961  
Rome, Italy

Dear Phyllis,

Well, how are your preparations for returning to the States coming? I will be glad when I can go home and settle down. There are just too many little things that we are used to at home that aren't available here and the little things make a lot of difference.

Saturday I gave an engagement ring to Kyra. We plan to marry next spring and go to the States in the fall before school starts. If present plans can be carried out, I want to get an MA degree and teach school in California. But if things don't soon improve on the international level, I may be here in Europe for some time.

I think I told you about Kyra before but just in case I left something out: She was born in Batum, Russia, a port on the Black Sea but has spent most of her life here in Italy. Her father was a Persian diplomat ( he is dead) and Kyra has Persian citizenship. She is a widow and has two children, a boy 18 and a girl 16. Her mother lives with them but she has a good job and is independent.

Kyra works here at the Embassy and that's how I met her. She is very well educated and intelligent. I'm sure that you will like her very much when you get to know her. She has one great virtue: she can put up with me!

Write when you have time.

love,

Hilton