

May 9, '44
England:

Dearest Gene.

Well, today I received #54 for the second time. You mentioned tho that there may be some mix up. As long as I hear from you the number-
ing doesn't matter. Speaking of number-
ing I think I say I think that this
is #54.

Yes I'm still with the same crew and I'm still not in the same outfit as Mick but we are close to-
gether. By the way, McKenna has a crew of his own now. I told you about his being chucked out, well they gave him a crew just the other day. I'm sure glad for

him, that is what he has always
wanted.

I'm glad that you had a good
time at Ellington, knowing how you
like to dance I'm sure you must
have had fun; but I know the
soldiers were the lucky ones.

The more I hear of this base of
yours the more I dislike him. Tall
blond, huh? well I can't do anything
about that I guess.

I was in London a few days ago
and I went to see "The Hour Before
Dawn" (stinker) and "Andy Hardy's
Blonde Trouble" (swell) and Wow!
what blondes.

Glad to hear about the Zeit
Parade although the only one on
it that I've heard is "I'll Get By"

Speaking of Frankie Sinatra, his
show "Higher + Higher" is on in
London and every time he sings all
the G.I.'s in the place scream
sounds like one of his radio programs

I haven't seen or heard from
Shirley in some time. I don't mean
heard I did get a letter written
about a week ago. He had 24
missions then which is very good.
I do believe he will be on his way
home soon now unless he gets
another job over here.

I can't think of any more news
kid oh, I did get a picture of you
from Bess. it is very good.

see ya
Bill

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