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Dear Brother Joe:-

You say my letter was long waited, well I will say the same about yours. I know what.

I received the box and let me tell you I was glad. Nothing like the chocolate from the states, and the cake, if only I had mother here. The diary was late so I bought a French one, but Sumner needed one so I sold it to him.

Yes, I always want to hear the news, if it wasn't for father and Grace I never would know what is going on. Frances comes to Chi pretty often and you visit Bataris pretty often, must have a car, well I don't



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blame you Joe. She is a good girl. Grace told me all about the party. I sure did miss it and she also told me about the flowers. Thanks very much Joe for getting them for me. I will remember you some day.

When you get "our" letter to the board, think it over and if you think it wise read it to them, if not why destroy it. I will leave it to you. S avy?

They sure have turned about the Sunday School. Do the Adriebs like the change, or is it just temporary? Perhaps it is for the best. What do you think Joe? Gosh you sure did stick

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I have met most of  
the boys from C. P. who  
enlisted in the Army.  
Bob Lane, Boyle you said  
kicker in football, young  
Maoney, Gardley, Ray  
Hardy, M. Donald a brother  
of another side kicker of  
yours. He said to me, "We  
ought to be as brothers because  
my young brother spoke  
of you your young brother  
I've heard a lot of others  
and I felt at home believe  
me.

So you think they will  
draft from 18-40 next. I  
hope not. Keep out of it  
for as long as you can.  
If you can't make it to  
Army. I had three weeks



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of the Navy and it is rotten. I know Joe. Why don't you try for a commission. You are 21. You can pass the exams easily enough. But stay at home as long as you can. When some of those slackers have gone then you may go. I know how you feel though Joe, and if you enlist take Carl along, you will need a companion, nothing like it in all the world. You are pretty much like me and I know you can take care of your self. The only way to get along is to do as you are told and take every thing as a matter of course. Keep

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some guy on to my class.  
He is no good for those boys  
and you ought to know it.

Do you use my skates?  
Better make the best of them.  
I miss the skating very much.  
Oh this is some life no  
doubt about it at all.

Well be good. Love to  
you.

Your brother Dave.

P.S. I received the books and  
thanks very much for them. Have  
not read them yet but  
D. L. S.

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