

Somewhere in Arizona
Between Tucson & El Paso.
Sat May 13.

Hello Beautiful,

I'll bet this is
a surprise for you. Well I will
explain. We, Rex, my pet, & I
are returning from Hollywood
by train & it is no line either.
Last Saturday we went on leave
a 14.00 hrs & proceeded to Tair
the local dromes for a lift.
We didn't get one however until
Sunday at 12 o'clock from a
field near Fort Worth when
we set off in a B,26. (Marauder
to you). We flew for four
hours over some marvelous
scenery. Including prairie,
desert & mountains. It was
really beautiful & the sun
beat down from a cloudless

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sky. We landed at Tucson,
Arizona & had a meal & stayed
1 hour & then went on to
San Diego over more desert &
mountains. I wish you could
have seen it. We got to San
Diego 2 hrs later which made
it 6 hrs flying time or 7 hrs
from Ft Worth to S.D. It was
5 oclock by their time (They are
2 hrs behind Dallas). So we
hitched a lift to Los Angeles (129
miles away) & arrived at Long Beach
just south of L.A. at about 9. (2100 hrs)
We went to a house with the people
who gave us a lift & had a drink.
& then caught a street car into
L.A. & arrived about 11.30. We
spent the night at the Y.H.C.A. &
then on Monday about 14.30

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we set out for Hollywood which is a suburb of L.A. We went for dinner in L.A. at a restaurant done up like an Hawaiian garden. with palm trees & a waterfall inside & canaries in cages all over the place. A scotchman who had lived in L.A. for 20 years treated us. When we got to Hollywood we went to the U.S.O. & dumped our gear & then went around town. We met Martha Raye's father & went for a few drinks. At night we went to the Hollywood Canteen & met a girl called Linda Christian who is a model. We also met Joan Crawford & got her autograph. We also met Wendy Barrie's mother & Freddie Bartholomew's aunt, & Lon Hall's sister. Tuesday I got up around 11 &

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In the evening we went to the Canteen & saw Eddie Bracken who was in "Miracle of Morgan Creek". He did a grand show with some good jokes & tales, smutty & otherwise. At 11:30 we went to a night club called the Floratine Garden. We saw a wizard floor show with bags of girls showing their legs. In one of the acts they take servicemen on the floor & of course being English we were on & we had to do a Hula Hula dance with the girls. Of course we dated them up & took them home after the show, which finished at 1:30. We got home at 3.

Next morning we went to Paramount but didn't see any stars as they weren't working

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We met some more gorgeous gals
however & also a new film actress
named Ray Scott. She was very
shy. You'll probably hear of
her. We then went to MGM
studios & met Sydney Toller.
In the evening we went to the
Florentino with an american artist
& we all went on the stage again.
We didn't take the girls out
however as they had a rehearsal
after the show. Too bad eh?

On Wednesday night we stayed with
an English woman who is married
to an american. We had dinner
there. Before dinner we had
sherry & after dinner we had brandy.

Her husband is an artist & was
a designer & sketch like for one
of the studios. He has four
"Oscars". They are beautiful

The next day we went after dinner
 to Joan Winfield's place on
 Santa Monica beach. Joan is
 an Australian & lives with her
 mother. She works for Warner Bros.
 We spent the afternoon & evening
 there with Dean Havens & Dean's
 mother as Joan was working. Dean
 is famous on Broadway & you
 will soon hear of him as he
 has just about finished a
 film called "Xmas Holiday"
 in which he plays opposite Deanna
 Delbin. He is 23 & is a grand
 chap. The house is right on the
 beach & it used to belong to
 Gypsy Rose Lee the famous strip
 tease artist. We went swimming
 in the Pacific twice & had our
 photograph taken with Joan.
 Then we had dinner & also rum
 & bourbon whiskey, then Dean

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drove. us to town as we had a date
with two girls & we took them to
see Cover Girl.

On Friday we played tennis
at Mrs. Dwyer's where we were staying
& then had a swim in their
pool. We then came into L.A.
to catch the 3.30 train (15.30)
& it will take around 50 hrs.
to get to Dallas. Right now
I am in the Arizona desert &
all I can see is sand, cactus
& hills just like in the cowboy
films.

Well cheerio my dear little
sister & all the best
Love

Pete xxx

P.S. Give my love to mother & remember
me to everyone

P.P.S. Joan thinks you're cute. She
said so when she signed your photo