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MAY  
24  
P.M.

*written wed. may 23*

*Recd, P.M. may 23  
3rd letter*

Frank Bass

Dear Folks,

Well here I am trying again to keep you informed on the progress of your favorite son.

This morning I learned of the death and wounding of several of my friends. It seems a Jeep Patrol sent up a machine gun and mowed them down. It is hard to realize the closeness you are to war until something like this happens. ~~to~~ a [redacted] who is in our team was severely wounded and two enlisted men who were with him were killed this afternoon by gas artillery fire.

I am a jeep driver and am getting to see quite a bit of the Okinawa island. It has been raining for about two or three days and it is really muddy here. The dirt is red just like Georgia and really is muddy.

Frank Bass

I got a letter dated April 30 today and  
one dated May 4 + May 12 yesterday.  
I probably have a lot of mail addressed  
to the APO that hasn't caught up  
with me yet. \*

The ball game is costing much but  
will probably be worth it.

I have seen several foxes and  
they look rough and rugged and they  
have proved here that they can  
really take.

That's all for now  
Love,

Franky



3<sup>rd</sup> letter written May 23, mailed 24, Recd 29

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