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**Letter, W. N. (William Neill) Bogan, Jr. To His Father, W. N. Bogan,  
June 20, 1943**

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U. S. ARMY AIR FORCES

St. Petersburg, Fla.

June 20, 1943

Dear Dad,

I hope you are having a nice Father's Day, and I only wish I could be with you today. I got a letter from Mom. Thure and she said sis was going up with the Duke meniers then. I know you enjoyed seeing her. You also mentioned something about going home this weekend. I hope you made it. I know the family is all eager to see you. Especially Grandmother B.

We had personal inspection yesterday instead of going on parade and that was quite a break. Your feet almost blister standing on that hot asphalt (and at attention) We all really dread parade. You

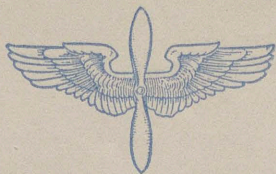


perspire so much that it's the last  
time you can wear that pair of class  
a's without a cleaning.

I very ashamed of myself. I  
came back in after breakfast.  
cleaned up the room, and went to  
bed. I had every intention of getting  
up and going to church, but as  
it was I just did get up in time  
to get some dinner. It's the first  
time I haven't gone since we started  
getting our passes.

I very excited, Dad. I go up  
to Classification night after dinner  
tomorrow and I know it's about  
a. 5. G. P. I feel sure I'll be  
accepted, because a lot of the  
boys have been who have had less  
training than I. It's really a  
break, and I'm going to make  
the most of it. I think I can get  
college credit for some of the  
courses I'll have to take. I'm still  
glad I went ahead and enlisted,





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but if I make A. S. T. P. I shall  
be even more so. I imagine  
this is what the boy you wrote about  
is in.

I'm glad to hear Milton & Harriett  
suffered no ill effects from the  
wreck. Also glad the car was  
missed.

Because of the change of T. S. S.  
our mail got messed up again  
and I got quite a stack last  
night and this morning. Two  
from both you & Mom, Tom Best,  
Florence, Morton Sackheim, and  
Julie. Everyone has been so good  
about writing that my conscience  
burns very mail call. I've been  
so bad about writing.

The Army notified all the  
hotel owners yesterday that they



will cancell all leaves the 15th of July.  
as I've written they had already stopped  
using some of them, and the rumor  
has been going around that the post  
would be closed. I think the victory  
in N. Africa had something to do  
with it because the new trained  
down here were ready for desert  
combat.

Well, I think I'll go down to the  
beach and get a little of the sun,  
which I get so little of during  
the week.

Dad, I can't remember if I got  
your shirt 15 or 15½. It's been  
about to drive me crazy. If it's  
the wrong size I surely hope you  
can find some place that will  
exchange it. I feel so dumb  
about that.

All my love to the best  
Dad in the world,  
"Buddy"