Letter from Philippine to Julia, undated, presumably c late 1942. Dated by references to the Minneapolis floods (Sep 1942), Augustina's illness at about the same time. Transcribed 11/01/2010 from a handwritten letter. There may be errors in the transcription.

It reads:

Bemidji, Minn, Monday

Dear Julie, Harry and Children.

Will write a few lines to let you know I am still living. I wrote a long time ago but have not heard from anyone. How are you all? I came to <u>Bemidji</u> 2 1/2 weeks ago, will leave today. Augie may have to go into service soon so I came to see him. Juliet was here several weeks ago when they had a weeks vacation.

She liked her job very well, she signed a contract for another year. This summer she is going to College 6 weeks, she had 2 years, wants her 4 year degree. How's Violet and Harry? How is Harry feeling? I hope he is in the best of health.

I got a letter from Ruth Gussies daughter. The letter was 3 months on the way, of course it was opened by the censor. Well one may expect that.

Do you ever see or hear from Lane's children? I wrote to Mari a long time ago but no answer. How is Florie, Bill and children?

It is raining mornings for almost a month now. In the afternoon it usually clears up. Have you read about the floods in Minnesota? In Minneapolis it has been bad. Do you remember the Houstmans from Turtle Lake? they asked for you and send their regards.

Grandma Bauer is living in South Dakota, she is 81 years old the last of May. The lakes around here are beautiful and people do a lot of fishing. How is Staten Island? August is still working in the Automobile business. Augie was to see them this summer, they are well. I have not heard from anyone in Europe except from Ruth in Australia, she wrote her Ma there was not well.

Many of the North Dakota boys were sent to Australia. Our neighbours asked me for Gussie address in case they are sent somewhere near their home. Well it is getting late and I must be ready for the 12.30 bus. so must close.

Hoping all are well.

Philippine.

I will visit friends in <u>Frazee Minn</u>. then Mrs Kirk at Breckenridge then Valley City. If you feel like writing you can send a letter to Juliet. She will mail to me. She stays in VC.

Juliet Bauer c/o Rev Maywell Brown Valley City MD.

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