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Dearest Wife & Son -

This is another day past. Since I wrote the last note I dug my clippers out of my duffle bag & took in about 7 or 8 dollars. I worked three hours yesterday afternoon and 4 or so hours this morning. I did all of this barbering during my off hours at the galley -

There was about 7 or 8 fellows who were cutting hair around the ship but there is still fellows who are hitting me up for a barber job.

But this night I am about tired of being on my feet so I am taking time out to drop a line to my good little wife & cute boy. I know they are walking up & down the floor and spending lots of time looking and longing

for a letter or a few words from their
old fellow out here in the ex Japs
empire -

This day at noon I stepped
out on deck for a breath of fresh
air - What do you think I saw?
I saw a Volcanic Mt. Yes - a
mountain that was  and up
over and down so even and smoke
was coming out or off the top.
That was just ~~the~~ one of the islands
though I guess because we have
been traveling all day and still
not at Nagasaki Bay.

Last night I attended M^osa
meeting in this ship & had a real
good lesson - One that was really
worth while - One just like we had in
the mission field. About 80% of
the fellows were X Missionaries &

there was one Non Member -
 Poor fellow - 6 x Missionaries -
 I who have been active in Church
 all their life. Nine of us had
 two & 1/2 hours of enjoyment in
 one little meeting.

I don't much know just
 what to write that would be of
 interest to you. By the time you
 get these letters and read them
 they will be so jumbled up in
~~them~~ your own little head that
 you can spend two weeks to
 straighten them out. By that time
 you should have another set of
 letters from me -

Say you know that when
 I am a little bit tired I
 feel lots better ~~than~~ when I
 haven't been doing so

Much - That is the beauty of
this old life - Work to get tired
and have something to eat &
wear - & have something to let so
we can live to serve the Lord -
Yes - A great old life -

Well its time to go down
to the latrine & see if I can
get a shower and shave - So
I'll sign off for now - Remember
to keep smiling and busy -
Also Remember there is one
fellow out on this side of the
world who loves you -

Good night -
LeGrand -