

9 December 1945

Dearest Wife & Sons,

Sunday in Japan again so it is a little bit of rest for us again Rest from all this business that they have to offer - around here because the officers get tired of passing the buck before too long.

The Christmas Packages that were mailed 8/16/44 are beginning to arrive and the recipients were released a year ago so instead of returning the Packages they are opening them and putting the candy & nuts around the day room. So we are enjoying the Xmas that the boys home would have had. Some of the old fellows say $2\frac{1}{2}$ or 3 months is the soonest that they have seen since they have been Mail clerking.

Last evening I saw the USO show "A Kiss in the Dark". It is the same show that Shirley Temple was in on the screen here a few years back. Only someone else took the part she did. Still all in all it was a good show - American People & all.

We have been working for I.D. Meetings here lately & so far 4 boys all told. A meeting booked for 1:00 P.M. this day in the library. That will be a good deal you know.

Say you know it is good to know that you & the boys are doing so well as you are. And in case you are in need of a little extra money use any part or all that I have been sending home. So feel free to use it. or put in the bank ^{remember} ~~safe~~ by tithing on it.

There is a big card game going on in this room that is about the size of your kitchen and about up to my shoulders high. 3 Tables medium size & over stuffed chairs and a few hard chairs. They had a radio a few days back but it is in the repair shop now.

It is hard for me write in all this noise but in the sleeping room it is just as bad so I will keep plugging along and may get results.

The letters you send to APO 33 arrive in about 8 days. The letters you sent to 21355 take about 15 to 20 so now I am receiving letters from the hospital and from after you arrived home.

I went to the x ray & had my teeth pictured yesterday. While over there I stepped on the scales & weighed 192. Course I have lots of cloths on. long handled drawers over my garments. 1 sweater, wool shirt & pants, wool Sox & Leather boots and a jacket. 10 pounds of clothing so I weigh about the same as I did a while back.

Well its time to close for this day so will sign off with Lots of love to my wife and sons. Remember I love you with all my heart. Keep smiling & may the Lord bless you all back in Zion.

So Long
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