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Dearest Wife & Sons,

It is 3 A.M. Tokyo time and 1800 Z
Time the time they use in radio work around
the world. Two of us are here this evening
keeping an eye on things to keep the teletype
channels open on the receiving system in
order on this end.

By the way did I tell you
that I received the first letters that you
addressed to the Signal address, and
in one of those letters was a picture of
of the family. It seems about like a
dream having two sons - because I have
never been around my second son like
I was with Walter so you can see how it
seems a dream to me - Only it seems a
real dream - but the picture is plenty quite

Walter is sitting on a stool or bench and smiling as though he has a Million dollar Personality - if you can measure Personality in dollars. William is several wide awake with his big eyes showing - He will learn to smile at the Kodak if he stays around his brother & mother for a while.

I received a letter from Dad and one from your mother - They have both been telling me off for not writing many the letters I send are like the ones above - no letters for one 6 week period then one or two now days I have no letters for a week or two then 5 or 6 all at once - Even though I don't receive letters I know that I have a few folks at home who really care and are looking forward to being together again just as I look forward to being with my wife & family & in connection to friends & relatives.

News is scarce around here except that
this fellow made it to Sacramento Sunday
last Sunday - I don't know what the
gap name for the town is but the G.S.
call it the 4th Replacement Depot
where fellow come & go.

And at church I met one of the
Diskey's school mates from Inman - The last
I heard of Diskey was that he was out
of the Army on a Medical Diskey's reason
of some kind. I met another of
my mission companions school friend
from Tremont, Utah. It seems wherever
one attends church he runs into someone
he knows or someone who knows someone
he knows.

Well my sweetheart there is plenty
Paper in fact there is a cash stack that
I have access to and there is plenty possible

around expect. I don't know for sure
because I haven't looked for a pencil since
I received my xmas pkg. with this
pencil in.

Oh, yes, from the talk around I
might see here some time yet. Will you
send a few seeds in each letter - example -
lettuce etc. And maybe a small box of
Great Northern string Beans (Pole type), sweet
corn, ^{peas,} summer squash etc. maybe a box
1-2 or 3 pounds all total. Register it or send
air mail if you can. Please ~~and~~ ~~include~~
a lot sweet heart. A little garden will make
my off duty hours pass more quick even
though I might not be here long enough to
reap the harvest. it will do my old soul
good to sow -

Remember sweetheart I love you -
keep smiling - I love you & love you I do.

Faithfully yours,
John