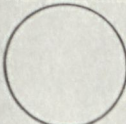


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KENSON'S STAMP

To
Capt. Ralph L. Minker, O 770722
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New York, New York

From

Mr. Ralph L. Minker
(Sender's name)

Box 230
(Sender's address)

Wilmington, Del.

June 8, 1945
(Date)

My dear Lee:

Well, you made the headlines again! Congratulations on that captaincy. I am certainly proud of you and happy for you. A few people may write you but several dozen have spoken to me about their joy over your advancement. Grandmother Minker was so thrilled she couldn't even talk over the phone to Aunt Eunice after she had called Aunt Eunice to give her the news. She had to hang up and call her an hour later.

What a job I have keeping up with my family! All of you are doing so splendidly on the front page or the back page regularly so that it is rare to think of three days passing without the local papers carrying some news article about a member of the family. I can hardly say how I feel about it the way we are able to fit into the constructive efforts of the community and nation.

A great week end at Dickinson! Everybody asked for you. Had a great session with "Mac". (He has a few new jokes). I spoke to several of your original class, i.e., the girls. A Miss Bell from Towson, Md. is going to send you a snapshot of some of them. She was out a year, and she seems like a mighty nice kid.

It's good to think you may be home soon. I'll order the milk you drink it.

The best to you.

As always,
DAD

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