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Tuesday evening

January 30, 1945

Dear Mother,

A spell of "poor" weather is at present hampering operations of the United States 8'th Air Force. I hope that it will not be too long before we can be back again hitting key strategic centers and helping the troops on the western and eastern fronts though. Not that I am eager to face our enemy, but to achieve victory we must batter them until they call quits and decide to live under liberty and democracy.

The other day in London I had a great treat: I saw Alfred Lunt and Lyn Fontane in the comedy "Love In Idleness." It was indeed a pleasure to watch and listen

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as Lunt and Fontane lived their parts so freshly, naturally, totally. I have also seen the entertaining shows "Blythe Spirit" (U.S.O., Noel Coward's comedy), "Uncle Harry" (a psychological mystery) and the good movie "Constant Nymph"(Charles Boyer, Joan Fontane) recently.

Yesterday I received a letter from Lieutenant "Mike" Zographone who is now a Flight Control Officer and was just on furlough home in Wilmington. Bob Cassel wrote from the western front recently. The latest letter from home was written by Bernice on New Year's Day. How is my mail getting through to you?

General Notes:

Pay day is February first and I will then send some money home through

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the base finance office. Another regular montly allotment and war bond will also be sent.

Have you been able to get any 620 film to send me? Have you been able to take any pictures of the brood? Could you send reprints of the pictures of places I have been while in the army, etc.?

An occassional [sic] box of goodies would hit the spot but I have no great wants.

I will try to arrange for base public relations to photograph the Blue Hen Chick.

Have you a new cook for the school yet? A good meal means a lot for morale of the boys.

Has anyone been appointed to take Mr. Donovan's place on the board of Ferris?

Have you been able to get Jay Bright's address; Ben's?

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Julia wrote that she was delighted with her Christmas present.

Travel here is awkward unless you head toward London so I have not been able to see all England.

Say hello to everybody for me.

Love,

Lee