



AIR CORPS, UNITED STATES ARMY

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Dear George,

Last night I received your 6/9 letter, and was sure glad to hear from you again. I'd been rather anxious to know what the latest news about your transfer was. This letter of yours was rather lengthy, so I think I had best answer your queries as you put them to me. Then I guess I'll give you a little bit of my missions in a B17.

Don't worry about what your outfit will do upon completion of their training. From past experience though, I have every idea that if your outfit is soon to get more new men, they may soon see combat duty. However, the arrival of new men is just what you need to see your transfer materialize. As soon as any new men come in, you had best make every

attempt to get your transfer. I'm sure it will come through, just bide your time.

I guess the Chaplain did give you some assistance, it might be wise to let him punch your card again in the near future. If I were you, I'd have Flo and Jim come out there. Unless of course, the new men are on the way, and so are you. The trip by Pullman wouldn't be too hard for them, and I'm certain you'll all be a lot happier.

I thought of a sport shirt for Pop, but couldn't find anything in Las Vegas. Besides, my opportunity to get anything in town is so limited. So I ran and I picked up an elastic watch band of gold plated sterling silver. I think Pop might like that O.K.

I sure envy all the leisure time your mail orderly job offers. You'll soon tire of it though, just like everything else the army offers. But at least when you get tired you can assume the phone.



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I still can't quite get over my old outfit being in on that French invasion. I know they were in Ft. Bragg, N.C. only 4 months ago. I guess they really shipped a lot of men overseas within the last six months. I haven't seen a newspaper, or heard a radio since Sunday, and frankly, I'm anxious to know how we're doing. We certainly started off with a big rally.

Fran and I have temporarily put off any dealings with the lawyer, I'm counting on seeing him personally real soon. It looks awfully good for Fran and I to be home within 15 or 16 days. I can't say anything definite yet, other than our delay-in-suit has been officially announced. How many days it will be, is another question. We're both dying to get home, and I'm sure Mom and Pop

must be praying awfully hard. I sure hope they're not disappointed.

I graduate on the 24th, and should leave here by the 26th. so write accordingly. Your mail reaches me in 3 or 4 days.

I've had three 2 hour missions all ready, and I've felt more confident and strong with each mission. yesterday I spent over an hour in the turret I wrote to you about. I actually enjoyed it. About 60-70 % of the men are getting air-sick, but so far I'm not one of them. I have two high altitude missions left. (about 25,000 feet)

I can't possibly write you what this is all about, suffice it to say, we do a lot of machine gunning up there. These last two missions will necessitate wearing Oxygen masks, and heavy, flying clothing. Some fun!

Glad to know that Jim and Florence are well, and sure trust that Joel's operation was successful. Plug away, and maybe soon we'll quench that champagne thirst —
Bob

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