

SATURDAY, 6

DEAR DAD,

IT SEEMS THAT THY SON IS GOING OVERSEAS, THAT IS ABOUT ALL I KNOW AS YET, THEREFOR I CAN SPECULATE AS TO MY WHEREABOUTS TO BE WITHOUT REVEALING ANY MILITARY SECRETS. I RATHER SUSPECT IT WILL BE ALASKA, THAT BEING THE MOST LIKELY SPOT, THE REALM OF THE ESKIMOS AND THE POLAR BEARS. I AM SUPPOSED TO GO BACK TO FRESNO TODAY AND WILL PROBABLY START DOING A LITTLE TRAINING OF ONE SORT OR ANOTHER BEFORE I TAKE OFF FOR THE FAR COUNTRY. MORE I CANNOT TELL YOU, CHIEFLY FOR I KNOW SO LITTLE, PERHAPS AFTER I HAVE TALKED TO THE POWERS THAT BE BACK AT FRESNO I CAN BE A LITTLE MORE EXPLICIT, BUT I DOUBT IT.

I TRIED TO GET PERMISSION TO GO BACK TO FRESNO AT MY OWN EXPENSE SO THAT I COULD GO BY LOS ANGELES AND SEE MARY ADELAIDE BUT THE HIGH BOYS COULDN'T QUITE SEE IT MY WAY, SO HERE I SIT WAITING FOR SOMEONE TO FLY DOWN AND PICK ME UP. MEANWHILE I CONTINUE TO RUN PATROLS AS THOUGH I WERE TO BE STATIONED HERE PERMANENTLY.

I AM CERTAINLY SORRY THAT THEY COULDN'T HAVE WAITED JUST A LITTLE LONGER FOR I HAD A FIVE DAY LEAVE COMING UP IN ABOUT ANOTHER WEEK OR SO, AND I HAD HOPED THAT YOU AND MOTHER MIGHT PAY ME A VISIT, HOWEVER IT CAN'T BE HELPED AND IS PERHAPS BEST FORGOTTEN.

I AM GLAD THE PICTURES OF THE PLANES WERE SUCH A SUCCESS, THEY WERE MUCH TO PRETTY TO KEEP AROUND WITH MY JUNK HERE AND I FIGURED THAT YOU AND MOTHER WOULD LIKE TO SEE THEM. THEY ARE FAR BETTER THAN MOST MAGAZINE PICTURES AND AS SUCH WILL GIVE YOU A BETTER IDEA OF SOME OF OUR MODERN FIGHTING PLANES.

I HAD A LETTER FROM MOTHER YESTERDAY SAYING THAT BOTH SHE AND SMALL HARRIET WERE IN BED FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER I HOPE THEY ARE BOTH ON THEIR FEET AGAIN, AND FEELING TOPS. AS USUAL I AM DISGUSTINGLY HEALTHY, SEEMS THAT WHEN I GRADUATED FROM HIGHSCHOOL I GAVE UP SUCH CHILDISH THINGS AS SICKNESS FOR I HAVE CERTAINLY BEEN IMMUNE ~~XXXX~~ SINCE.

BY THE WAY, FEEL FREE TO KEEP A PLACE OPEN FOR ME IN THE AIRCRAFT DIVISION OF THE DRAKE HARDWARE COMPANY WHEN I GET BACK FROM THE WARS, THAT SOUNDS LIKE THE FULL DEAL. THAT WOULD DEFINITELY BE RIGHT DOWN MY ALLEY.

THE NAVY IS BOOTING US OUT OF OUR HANGER THIS MORNING WHERE WE GO FROM HERE I HAVE NO IDEA, HOWEVER THIS IS NO CONCERN OF MINE, FOR JONES, N. N. JR. 2ND. LT. AIR CORPS IS NO LONGER A MEMBER OF THE 48TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON BUT IS NOW ON A SPECIAL DEAL.

I AM RUN DOWN, PERHAPS I'LL HAVE MORE INFORMATION LATER, MEANWHILE SAY HELLO TO EVERYONE FOR ME

NORMAN