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Dearest Folks,

My but it is raining out now - along with the rain we have a lot of thunder and lightening. It reminds me a lot of a summer storm there in Colo. Springs.

This has been a good sunday here on scipan - altho I did miss attending church service this A.M. The reason was that the chapin is leaving and the outfit where we usually go has also left. We didnt know about it until we got up there and found that they had left - so it was too late to go see where. There is another chapel a short distance from here with services at 0745 - we shall probably try there next sunday. I wish I could have seen chapin Heyman before he left for I would have liked to thank him and wish him well on his trip home.

Our meal this noon was really good. We had roast beef, potatoes, corn, peas and carrots, brown rice and ice cream for desert. There was plenty of it so I filled my self and it felt good.

The rest of the day has been rather lazy. I slept part of the afternoon - listened to the rain on the roof, and dozed off again.

2491 The perfect end for the day would be if we could be together - go to League and evening church - and then the entire family being together at home after church. Perhaps we would have some tea and toast or else some hot cocoa. It is thoughts like the one above that have been running thru my mind all afternoon as I have been thinking of all of you and wondering what you may be doing.

This past week has been good in mail, altho it comes in spurts. I guess it is held up both ways for neither you mentioned my mail was irregular in coming thru. I do hope it has cleared up now. I did receive letters from Mom, Dad, Andrew, Ruth, Gene and also Bob, and Julie so you see I have been very fortunate in the mail that has come thru.

Before I go further, I want to apologize. All along I thought that your anniversary was the 28, and I was going to send my wishes in this letter. But I know now that I am just 10 days late. I want to say congratulations now tho altho it is a bit late.

Boy - was I surprised to hear that Gladys M. was married. Thanks for sending the clipping along from. I use to write to G.M. when she was

at Morning side (I was in N.Y.C.) but when she left she quit writing and I lost track of her. Then last winter Janice wrote that she met Gladys at League meeting there in Chicago at the Chicago Temple. At the time Janice said that "your cousin was with a fellow who is an author or something" - so it may be the same guy. I hope it works out ok for her, altho from what I have heard I agree with Dad that his talents are more "insurance-y".

Mother you asked about Christmas boxes - I wish I could say one way or the other just what our position out here is. We have learned nothing at all up until now. I do wish they would tell us just how long we must stay out here - regardless if it was 8 months or two. At a place like this it is different from most boxes for we cannot close up and come home. This instalation is supposedly permanent so we must wait to be ~~relieved~~ relieved. I think it is too much to hope for to be home for Christmas, I would rather you ~~kept~~ keep any thing there that you might send for then when I do get home that shall be the time of joy and thanksgiving.

Also in this past weeks mail I received the photo file you sent mother. It was mis-sent to Spain and then back to the states so that was

when it came so late. Thanks for it - already I
have some pictures in it.

Boy Rich that new suit sounds ok - I am
proud of you for working and buying it! We'll
have to double date some time - ok?

On Wednesday Ralph Knight came down and
we spent part of the day together here. He is leaving
the first of the month, and said that he would
either call or drop in and say hello. They are
sending three wings back from the Marianas -
~~two~~ one from Saipan, one from Tinian and the
73rd from here. When they leave that will be
the last of the Army air Corps here. I guess the
big 29 base will be tinian. and they have
four strips there and the island is better suited
for the planes.

Janice is now settled for her fall term
in Chic. I am glad she returned, she was in doubt
for a while as to what to do. Her letters are swell and
I wish there was some way we could get to know each other better and
better.

I must close for now - may God be with you
there as he is here and bring us all love together.

lots of love

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