

Saigon, Vietnam  
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Sunday Afternoon

My Dear Family -

It is mid afternoon and while things are fairly quiet (except for street noises) I want to talk with you. I am in my shorts, sitting at the desk in my room. About 0730 this morning the electricity went off and has been off all day. It is not too much of an inconvenience except the room is quite hot and I am using a newspaper as a fan. Perhaps the electricity will come on again soon and then the air conditioner will start to work.

Harry and I decided to go to early church service - 0815 and while the attendance was low (about 15-20) the service was good and the sermon most helpful. I certainly appreciate the services here - look forward to them and get a lot out of them.

After church we walked down to the BOQ (Rex) and had a late breakfast and had a very fine visit with two students, Americans, who are here attending the University of Saigon and happened to be at the BOQ for breakfast. Both young men are realistic about their work here and the experiences they are having. They are disappointed in the quality of the instruction in that they feel it is below the level of the work they have had and hence do not take many classes but rather are gathering material to use in thesis- and graduate work at home.

It was nearly 12 noon by the time we returned to Chien Si.

The news this noon indicated that you have had snow and cold weather - That's a change over the mild winter - Ha!

We had scheduled a meeting of our team for 1400 to discuss the outline (proposed) of our preliminary and final report. However part of the team had not completed the current status section of their work so I canceled the planning meeting until 0700 tomorrow. I was disappointed for Howard was the one who held things up - he participated in making the decision that we complete phase one by the 25<sup>th</sup> of February but told me this morning that he was working on other things and wouldn't be finished. It's too bad to have one be "otherwise" but I hope we are back on track tomorrow.

I have been addressing some post cards and I hope I can mail this letter and some post cards when I go down to supper tonight. Right now it looks like an early supper and then a walk back.

Weekends away from you are the next difficult - I miss you very much and look forward to being with you all the time. With this I send my love to each one of you -

Dad.