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From

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Lt. Col. H. J. S.
Capt. H. J. S.*

To W. T. HOLMQUIST
3241 W. 45TH AVE
GARY
INDIANA ① U.S.A.

Capt. E. W. Holmquist
(Sender's name)

Hq XII Troop Carrier Command
(Sender's address)

APO 960 9th Ave N.Y.

11 JANUARY 1949
(Date)

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Dear Mom Dad + all,

Thanks for the letter and pictures which I received this morning. Barbara certainly looks like a sweet one and I certainly have no doubt about her more important qualities since Don did the picking. I am anxious to meet Barbara and to have Eva Love know her too.

I ate lunch during the middle of that first paragraph - right after the word "looks". I wasn't too hungry after the feast last night. One of the officers, an only son of a very wealthy family, received over fifty Christmas packages from home and practically all of it was food. Everything from caviar and melba toast to chowder. Yesterday afternoon the mess was raided for butter, sugar and a few of the incidentals and the works was hauled out to a fancy eating joint out near the beach where the chef added a spaghetti course, a soup course and a fish course. Last night about 6:30 seven of us hung the feed bag on

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From

Capt. E. W. Holmquist
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APO 760 9/2 Pm N.Y.

11 JANUARY 1944
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and ate and ate 'til we could hardly wiggle. The hors d'ouvers dish was a meal in itself but that was only the beginning with soup, fish dish, deep fried breaded artichokes, spaghetti with grated Italian cheese and tomato sauce, pork chops, salad, cookies, cakes, candies and plenty of this chick native coffee. It was a treat.

Today I also received letters from Dick and Sally and from Chris Straioff. How's that for hittin' jacks - not all at once. All that in addition to five from my wife and a couple of others. I'm glad you sent Alan's address so I can find him as soon as I have a chance - shouldn't be long before I locate him. I get around you know.

I have moved since I last wrote to you but I'm in Sicily yet. Got up early one morning and pilched my entire office into a plane and took off and landed up "here" with a new address so please use it on my mail from now on:
Hq, XII TROOP CARRIER COMMAND, APO 760, 9/2 Pm, N.Y.

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From

To **W. T. HOLMQUIST**
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INDIANA 3 U. S. A.

Capt. K. W. Holmquist
(Sender's name)
Hq XII Troop Carrier Command
(Sender's address)
AFPO 76c Ft. Lee N.Y.

11 JANUARY 1944
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K. W. Holmquist
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This office is quite the opposite from my last one. The office I moved from was really an establishment on the ground floor along a busy street. Here I'm on the third floor of an embassy with two reception rooms well furnished with soft furniture, draperies and paintings. One of the paintings fascinates me - a painting of the lowering of Christ from the cross. It was done in the 16th Century. I know nothing about art but the minute I stepped in the room I noticed the picture and gazed for several minutes to look at it and sensed its beauty and value. I would like to have it but I have inquired about it and learned that it is worth a young fortune so I'll give up that idea.

How are you all feeling these days? Don't forget to report and don't forget to let me know if you need anything. However all the silk stockings are sheer over here - or will you take 'em that way?

Please spread my greetings, forward the letter and notify all of my new address. Also, keep my mail coming in even if I don't write often.

Love,
Bob

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