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Decent  
Major F.D.*

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TO: W. T. HOLMQUIST  
3291 W. 45<sup>TH</sup> AVE  
GARY  
INDIANA U.S.A.

FROM

Major R. W. Holmquist  
HQ AAF LINDO  
APO 650 Ft. Rucker, Va.

SEE INSTRUCTION NO. 2

21 April 1945  
(Sender's complete address above)

Dear Mom, Dad & all -

Your April 12<sup>th</sup> letter came yesterday - only 5 days old - so you see that's not so slow for ordinary mail. But I was sorry to hear that you hadn't heard from me as yet.

In regard to your questions about the season and weather here - this, I suppose, is Italian Spring. Fruit trees continue to blossom, the grape vines are putting out light green shoots and, the best sign of all, the birds are singing louder and longer. In spite of all that, we lost a very close friend yesterday in a plane crash. Hit a hill just back of our house here on the way over to have dinner with Roy, Buck, Howie and me. So that takes a good share of joy out of life but I am becoming somewhat hardened to death and sadness.

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*Answered by  
Dorothy  
Lacy*

TO: W. T. HOLMQUIST  
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FROM  
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So glad to hear of Cayli joining the choir and also to learn that she is continuing to plan to take voice lessons. On Thursday evening I hauled some money in to a nearby city and then remained for the symphony concert. Other than that my musical entertainment is via radio.

My being home seems like a dream now. I, too, would have liked to have done much more while I was home but I must have been in a daze. No did I question you on financial matters because I figured that it was quite appropriate, however, if you ever need help you know you shouldn't hesitate to let me know.

I wish I could get the breaks the way Dick does. Of course I have some  
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Rear Admiral  
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advantages in that I live fairly comfortably and with such a fine bunch of boys, but my main objection is that I'm not in the States.

I wish I could think of dozens of things that need but I am fairly well set. Of course I would like to receive that pop corn if you have it yet.

The headquarters took some office pictures of me for the history is all. send you one just for your entertainment.

Love,

Bob

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