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Dear Folks,

Our situation, in general hasn't changed yet. We still don't expect to leave before three weeks or so. This may seem contrary to what you hear and read in the papers, but I am in a position to give you some little known facts that will explain things. Today I had a personal talk with the transportation officer here, a major who should know what's going on.

He said that our number two priority (after sick and wounded) has been reduced to number four (there is no number five by the way). Enough prisoners of war have reached the states for publicity requirements so they are in no hurry to rush us home. This may seem hard hearted but it's true.

While I am waiting here I can take advantage of the opportunity of going to go

to England for a seven day delay en route! This is a golden opportunity to see London undoubtedly, but if it meant delaying my trip home I wouldn't consider it. However, the way things are nobody knows whether or not it will. Those who go to England do not return to France, but await transportation from England. By going to England, I might get home faster, or just as fast as if I waited here. On the other hand I might have to wait in England for quite a while. The thing is, no one knows for sure. It's only a chance depending on transportation facilities. And even if it does take longer from England I will have seen London. Under the circumstances I believe I would be foolish not to take advantage of this trip to England. It will probably be my only opportunity to do so. Well if I decide to go I'll let you know. Of course

Meanwhile I'll try to find out more about it.

Alec Templeton was here today to entertain us. He is magnificent! Absolutely marvelous! He plays everything from Brahms to boogie woogie, and at times he had us in hysterics with his antics.

The weather has improved somewhat. Although there is always a cold breeze blowing, at least the sun is shining now.

And the Chow is still tops!

I wish I could hear from you. Perhaps if I go to England I can receive mail.

So long for now.

All my love to everyone,

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