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Dear Folks,

Everything is going on much the same here, and there is very little to write about. I have been feeling under the weather for the last few days, but am pretty well over it now I think. The Doctors were not able to say just what the trouble was, but I had a little fever for awhile, and they have about decided that it was a mild case of the dengue fever. It never was very serious, about like one of my spells with a sore throat.

I hope that all of you have been well and getting along alright. The last letter which I have received from you was written almost two months ago, so I feel pretty much out of touch with things back there. We had some hopes of getting some mail the other day, but it turned out to be all for the Army up in Manila, and I'm afraid that they'll be a long time getting it. So far they haven't found any for us. Also all of the information which I can get is that the clipper is still not running where it would do me any good.

Since I am not where I can do any shopping for Mother's birthday I plan to enclose a money order with this letter if I can get one before the mail closes. Otherwise I'll put it in the next letter. I'd like very much for her to use it in getting some clothes or something for herself with it. I'm sorry that I cannot send something else, but there are just no shopping facilities of any sort available to us now. I am still hoping that your Christmas present will get through somehow. I suppose that it will if it were not caught in Cavite, but everything that was there is no doubt gone now. I saw a newspaper yesterday, the first one since the war began. I'd still like to see an American one and some American magazines. We had just renewed our subscription to them, so should have a big stack of them awaiting us somewhere.

There is nothing else that I can think of to write about, we are restricted so as to what we can say, and one day is just like any other so that by the time I've told you that I am all right I have about run out of material.

I hope all of you are well and will continue to be.

Devotedly,

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