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U. S. NAVAL AIR STATION
Patuxent River, Maryland

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Dear Mom and Dad,

I received the package and I think I mentioned it in my other letter. You know there is an extra letter going between us. It's slightly confusing.

I wrote Mrs. Stowell yesterday and I'm wondering if she'll answer.

Thursday night we had a variety show at the club and it turned out pretty good.

Last night I wrote a couple of letters while on duty and I'm lucky that I finished them. There were fellows sitting down and talking to me. Gee, they are nice guys and they like to talk to me because I have some common sense and I tell them the truth.

The Captain of the base was at the variety show with his wife and I waited on them. I was standing near the door when they left and he was looking all over and when he saw me he came over and said good night. Nice huh?

Wednesday night there was a banquet for the football players and my division officer was there. His name is Commander Coolidge and I was talking to him in the office. Boy he's a riot and I can relay

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when I talk to him.

Yesterday I had coffee with one of the boys on the master at arms force on the base. We had been sitting for about five minutes when three more of the boys came over. I get along good with the MAA on the station due to the fact that I'm one of them. They have told me that, if anyone ever gives me any kind of trouble, to call them. Every night there are two of them that drop into the club to see me and to see how everything is going. They have told me some of the dirt going on around here and have told me the names of Waves that are on their list to be watched. I'm doing good with security too and they tell me who gets picked up for speeding etc. I'm a walking encyclopedia now. Ask me anything.

I didn't get to see the inaugural ceremonies on T.V. but was invited to go Washington to see them. Couldn't go for I had to go to work.

I was in the office a couple of weeks ago when a long distance call came in. There is a woman in Washington that is quite influential and she is the one that sends the girls down to our dances. She wanted some of the Waves and sailors to come down on this certain date, to attend this banquet that the

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Senators and Governors and the rest of them were having. If I had gone I would have met Governor Dewey and he would have ~~prop~~ probably had me as his hostess at the parties he would be throwing. Boy I would loved to have gone but duty comes first. Wouldn't that have been something?

Tell the egg man hello for me. How's his daughter coming along?

That isn't the address I wanted of Jim Lindbergh's. When I come home I'll get it. I might possibly be home on Feb 7th but I'm not sure. I have to check with the manager of the club first.

We get paid Feb 2nd and I'll be glad to see that day. I don't know if I'll be able to save much money. I'm saving dimes and pennies. There is a bank on my dresser that I'm going to bring back with me.

Well I guess this is all I can think of. Tonight there is a dance so that means I'll have to be alert. So take care of yourselves. Hey dad keep up the good bowling and you'll be ace of the base and the sensation of the station. How about that? Signing off for now.

Love and Kisses

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