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Dear Mrs. Brown,

Thank you very much for the special news letter. I enjoyed it very much.

I was home for a few days last week. My grandfather died, and I had a four day emergency leave. I was named after papa, and we all lived in the same house so we were really closer than most grandfather-grandsons. I really never knew that he wasnt my father until I was about ten years old. It was very sad, because my grandmother has been blind for several months and couldnt see the funeral's flowers.

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They're still working on me here in the hospital. I've met several psychiatrists and have had very thorough examinations.

Now they are replacing my plate with fixed bridges, filling ten and removing 4 wisdom teeth for me. One wisdom

tooth is coming thru, and I can't wear my plate for it, so I really feel lost without my extra teeth.


My ex sister-in-law works for a general and she said that he said that I would be made a civilian again because of my cerebral concussion. I told her that I only thought I would be given a year's grounding or maybe sent back to the tent corps. She said that since I had had a head injury I would definitely not go to

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the tank corps. So you see that I am very anxious to know my verdict.

Speaking of Wacs. It seems I am really going to ^{have} the fall madly in love with that mail clerk. All of my Christmas gifts are at Foster Field and more important my check of last month is down there, and I can't get it. If it takes marriage to get that check — don't be surprised if I send you an invitation soon.

I was so proud when I heard the P.C. — Havana score. It was like this — in the crowd about 30 of ^{some} ^(is that right?) us officers were listening to the Army-Navy game and they gave the scores of some other important games and I really yelled out when they said that Presbyterian was leading Havana 20-0.



Then it took me quite a while to explain about P.S. to the boys. It was such a wonderful feeling to hear my alma mater blurted out over the radio so far away.

I heard that Ben Mogy was elected co-captain of the 2nd Air Force Team. Is that true? If it is, and I hope it is I think it's wonderful. It 'shows to go you' what a small college man can do that couldn't even make "All State," because he didn't have the publicity behind him.

R. Bell told me in a recent letter that Frank Jenner was returning to the States to attend O.C.S. That pleases me very much also. The fact is I'm pleased about everything except the fact that my future flying and Army career looks very dismal. Happy Christmas to you & the dear, and I'm sending you - special - all my love
Billie