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Miss Sally Loving
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Dear Miss Sally,

Finally writing again. Are you surprised? Am still ticking & wishing I were out of here. That's only natural, however, isn't it? Not doing too much of anything. Still gold-bricking & taking life easy. I have been receiving your mail fine and dandy; also from other people which is good for the morale. Don Kearny seems to like his school work, but kinda thinks he isn't doing his duty. But I'm glad he is finishing his schooling. Its pretty good to get a college degree. Maybe I'll get one someday if my ambition holds out. However, maybe by the time the war is over, my mind will be made up & I can then get some energy out to do it. I had about 9 \$18.75 bonds and one \$75 bond when I left the states in June or July last year. And I'll add to it all the time.

Thanks for Mrs. Chappell's address. I'll try and write to her to see how she likes married life.

I am beginning to wonder if this may have [been] motive enough to warrant my being rejected from further going to sea. Its hard to say, I guess, but I'll know when the time comes. I certainly hope not. But my morale is okay at the moment and I am doing fine. I weigh more than I ever did in my life by at least 5 on lbs. However when I get out of here, I'll get that "excess fat" off in a hurry.

Well, Miss Loving, I'd better go now. I hope everything is okay at school. Say hello to the ones I know for me. Tell Miss Aldhizer I received her card & will answer it eventually.

As ever,

Claude

P.S. Did you hear the Winchell-Dies broadcast?