

27 June

Sunday

Dear Little Girls:

The trip to Harmon was cancelled because of weather so right now I'm spending a typical Sunday afternoon at Pepperrell. I went back to bed at 1000 instead of going to church and slept until 1500. I guess I'll go eat about 1700 and go to the movies at 1930. Tonight they are running Julius Caesar and I have been looking forward to seeing it.

I spent yesterday cleaning cars. I have two at my disposal now. One, the Ford of Col Dyke's, which I will have until September and the other, a little red Mg belonging to McCutcheon, which I'm sure Kathleen and Joan would like. Mac has been trying to talk me into buying a Mg before I go home. You can save about \$400 on them by buying them here, but I want a new Ford, maybe a convertible -- huh? Ma.

I signed another indefinite statement last week. It was so hard to know what to do being way up her. I just couldn't take a chance on not having something definite to do when I got out in November and I would have definitely been released immediately upon return to the ZI. With no definite statement from Col Wilkins and me undecided about taking Liverman's offer, I thought I had better sign. This means that I can't get out now for at least another year. Being at home where I can plan and make arrangements for separation may mean that I will get out in a years time. Of course there is the other side to the decision; the world situation seems to be getting worse instead of better and the Air Force is still in dire need of pilots and operational type people. I'm sure that my services are still desired if not required.

Any way little Sweetheart you can plan on being an Air Force wife and sometimes widow for at least another year, but I promise you this one thing -- if I get out in a year or stay in for another thirty, at no time will I go without you and the kids if there is any possible way to take you with me. If necessary we will buy that Long Long Trailer; you will be with me though. I realize that it was a terrible mistake my leaving you home this time and I've learned my lesson. In just four more months it will be all over.

I will ask for the Southwest with the Southeast as a second choice and I think I will be able to get Training Command.

I have certainly spent the money this month and right now I'm straining so as not to have write another check. I will cut everything back this next month though so it won't go so high again. Incidentally you right about my being without checks.

The extra boxes of slides are on their way and you should have them in a few days. I hope that you enjoy showing them. If you want to, buy one of those screens to show them on. I love you so very much, Honey - it won't be long now.

Billy