

6 March, 1954

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Dear Little Girls:

A few extra things to tell this morning. First of all our weather broke finally. I went out yesterday and flew thru some pretty rough stuff taking my annual instrument check but by night most of the fog had gone and left only high clouds and today the sun~~ne~~ came out and the hills look fit for climbing. Yest I past my instrument check o.k. and now I'm set again to work at my regular job which is mainly turnign out paper.

This next item I was going to keep from you for awhile, but since every one else on the base knows about it I don't see why you shouldn't. I have been placed on the recommended list for Major and will be able to wear the rank and collect the pay about the middle of May. So I will come home a Major.

You ~~have~~ asked about the trip to Washington in June. The one I took last year is definitely off since I am no longer in that job. There may be others, however. There simple must be. I have to get home pretty soon.

Your~~s~~ letter~~s~~ are beginning to come in again and as usual they are all out of sequence when there has been a delay. For instance I learned that Joanie was o. k. again before I learned that she had been ill. I'm somewhat concerned about her; don't hesitate to take her to the Doc when you think he could help her. Hope she doesn't have my stomach.

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We leave for Greenland during the Ides of March. The trip north will be boring since I won't be flying but riding in an administrative aircraft. Hope to get some more good picture when I go, however.

More later:

I'll send you a set of Gold leaves when I make it. Wish I could be near so we could really celebrate.

Checks: Don't have my February and last of January numbers but I will write one \$50 one today for the 1st in March and it will be numbered so.

I love you,

Billy