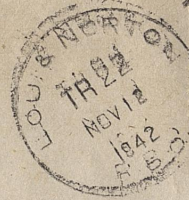


Miss June Dial, R.N.
2329 Keswick Blvd.
Louisville, Ky.



Air Mail

A/C George Canary
Squadron 103 Barracks 1
Army Air Forces Classification Center
San Antonio Aviation Center
San Antonio, Texas.

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St. Catherine's Church

New Haven, Kentucky

Nov. 12, 1942

Dear Sonny:

How's flying? You know we are getting nearer and nearer to the dream we used to talk about when we were just "kids" I guess. Remember when we used to talk about you flying a big "Transport" and maybe I'd be your stewardess. Well, looks like its getting pretty near possible. But instead of serving nice food, etc. to friendly passengers we'd rather be serving tons of bombs to our enemies, the Allies. However, I'm sure you are happy in this new field. Make the best of it, Sonny. Don't worry about things at home, just keep them posted as often as you can. I hear that you are pretty swell about writing to mom and pop. I'm so glad that you do, Sonny, someday you will be very proud of the fact that you thought of them and you'll be glad for everything that you did for them. You know how I feel about them, too. Needless for me to say, They are the one pair in a Million.....Mom is a dear; and Pop is a Prince of a guy. I know that you have been kept so terribly that you hardly have time to find yourself, but I feel sure that you will make it, Sonny and come through with flying colors. Stick the old chin out and come what may, you'll get something worth while.

Guess this is enough build-up and I don't want to bore you too much, Mom just sent Mudgie a card with your address on it and since I was out here visiting Mudgie, I just decided to write you a letter on the typewriter, kinda' thought you would like it for we used to write letters on the typewriter. I think I still have some of your little typewritten notes that you gave me, remember?

Mom called me the other day and we intend to have dinner and show sometime together. Mudgie and I plan to go in and spend the night with her and maybe make it a little lonesome for her. I promised to do all I can to make it less difficult for her and I will, Sonny. So don't worry. Mudgie misses you a lot too. She has a little service flag hanging in the Kitchen in your Honor; isn't that sweet? and I know that she pours out many and many a prayer for you in her daily Masses.

I'll remember you in my prayers too, Sonny and you be a very good boy and live up to the wonderful training that you have had. St.X is proud and will be very proud of you.

Congratulations are now in order for Miss June Dial, R.N. Registered Nurse, I passed State Board and got my certificate last Saturday. I'm really proud, too, for that was really a tough grind. Father, Mudgie and all are glad for me. Let me hear your affirmation sometime when you aren't so tied up, Cadet Canary.. Better sign off now I'm at the end of the page

Keep 'em flying!

As ever, June.

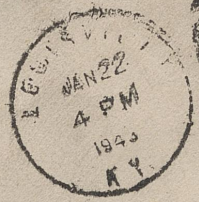
Do write me.

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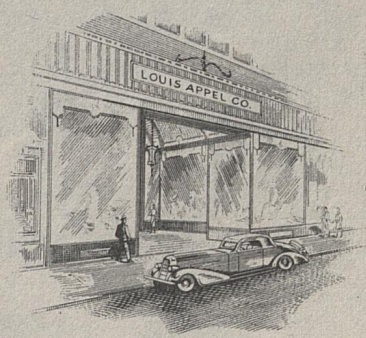
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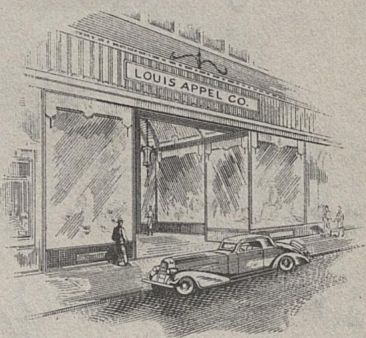
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Dear George

Received your letter and
sure glad to learn you are doing
so well in your course, and that
you are an upper classman now.

"Aint it grand to be so smart"

Geo Holloway is not with us
any more and Lehas Burns is at
Martinsville taking a rest cure.

Bud has not been called up
to now. he and Jean are still going
together.

Am having everybody write
again like I did befur. Did you
get my letter from New York.

So it wont be long till you
are a married man. I understand
your name was read out in church
last Sunday.

We have been very busy and
can hardly keep up with the work.
Our regular business is better than
it has been and the Office is also
much better, so you can understand.

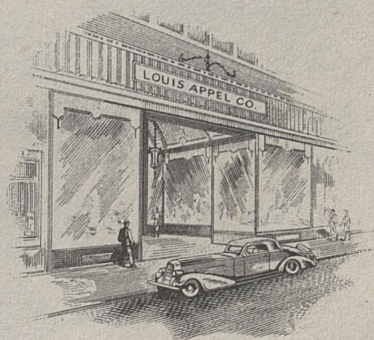
We are having your weather
and boy is it cold. This should be
enough frank me as every body will
have something to write about
"Good-Bye" Bernard B. Schimanz

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Hello George. -

Just a few lines to let you know we haven't forgot you. Business is bad we have plenty of time on our hands.

Mr. Brown is still a very big wolf. he still reads those terrible books just like you did.

Is it true you are going to get married if so I wish you lots of luck and happiness and hope all your troubles will be little ones.

Sunday's ^{31st} inventory and we all are looking forward to it. Don't know any more news. Hoping to hear from you soon. Mrs. Hoerner.

Hi. Sis.

Glad to hear you like the Army. This is just the same old place. As you are going to get married, Well send you your little old book you don't need it any more.

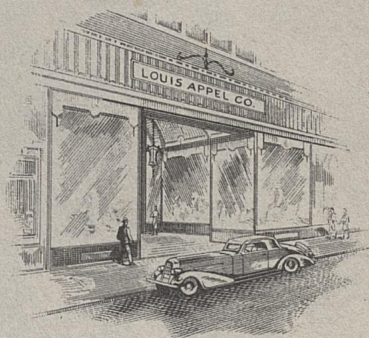
Lots of Luck and Happy Landings
Dear Brown

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Hello Geo.

Just a line to wish
you a Happy New Year hope
every thing is going to suit
you. Good Luck Good health
and plenty maidens to
make you happy

Al. Housch

Hi Les.

I am all frozen up.
but still can get around. How
is the Army life. Phil & Chas.
looked grand. your friend,
Chas. Deems is living. He is
in Martinsville. Now, be careful

of that Southern accent. Best regards
Mary M.

Hello George I guess you feel bad
about your clothes as Uncle Sam wont let
you wear a real shirt or tie and you
have to advertise your business in the
quiet. well George things are about the
same. I wanted on a lady by the name
of Mrs Radman and she said her son
was with you and she wants me to tell
you hello for her and if it is not too
personal and Radman is still with you
let him read this letter and he will
appreciate what a screwball gang is.
let us hear from you and write
in English that last letter looked like
chinese

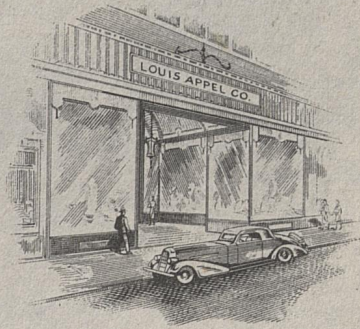
Harry.

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Dear Canary Bird!

I am all thinking of
you. Hope you are enjoying
good health. I hope they
are not working you too
hard. Good luck + God
bless you.

Bill Helms

Dear Friend

Hope the weather is
warmer than it has

been last two days.

Don't work too hard like
you did here?

Dickman and Kerchman were
here within the last several
weeks.

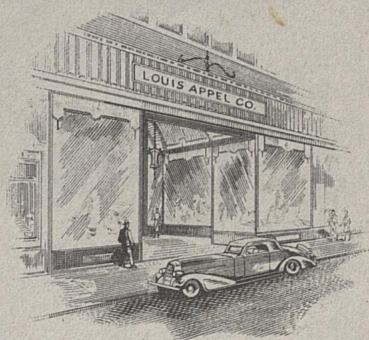
Brother

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Dear Geo:

How are you getting along.
We often think about you.
Chas. Kirchner was here on
furlough for Xmas. Write us
a line and tell us how the
army is. Good luck and best
wishes.

Very truly
Stanley Giles.

Hello Geo:

Boy I sure wish I was
in the good old south (in the deep south)
where it is warmer I don't like the
yess weather. How are you Geo. Hope fine
all the boys were home Xmas and a
little after Phil, Charles, Al Pease. De De

and Jack Radford all look fine. Well
they haven't got me yet but I don't
know when it will be (Don't come)

Let us hear from you.

Good Luck
No. 6.

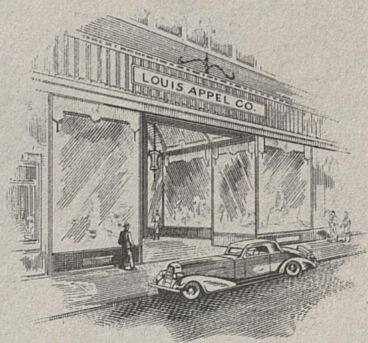
Did you hear about the two girls
that was at a army camp late at nite,
& two M. P. walked up and ask them weren't
they out after hours, they said no, we
thought you all were out after ours.
Well Geo. everything is quite on the
western front's at present. Et. are about
over, I think.

As Ever
Bess

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Hello Geo

Very glad to read your letters and
to know that you are getting along
so well, keep up the good work
and some day I will read about
you out in the Salamon's knocking

off the tape

We are still very busy with
the C. C. S. Bay's going out to
the far tomorrow very late
here at present, will write
more next time as ever

C. H. Stengel

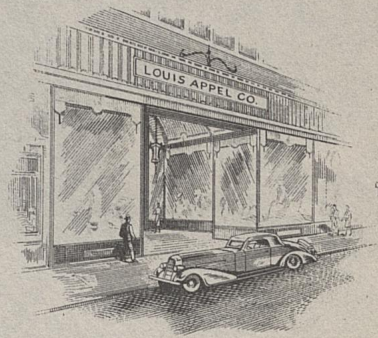
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Hello George best wishes and good luck
in your new undertaking of life. still making
the bus. Gertie.

Your new friend wishing you the very
best luck and hoping your safe
return. Best wishes paper friend O/B
Big fat George said Hello and best of luck
Malley said good luck and much
Happens when you get married.

Hello George: You can't kid me any more
about my singing because since you've
gone, I don't enjoy singing any more. Key
of the good work and lot of luck.
Mrs. Key

Mrs. McShane ask about you every day.
I hit a colored girl in the fair on the bus
Flourie Melcher

Dear George: Am awful busy, but
will take time to say Hello and good luck
and success to you. Yours, P. H. Ender.

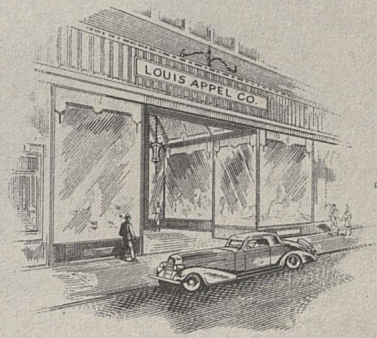
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January 21-1943.

To our Flying Cadet.

Dear ^{eg} George, wouldn't we
alteration girls grab you if we
saw you in your new uniform
La Verne better not be around when
we get sight of you.
My advice is what you want
from me, you just go ahead & get
married. I talked to La Verne the
other day, saw her at Stevarts & I
sure wish you both much happiness
& hope you get a furlough after
graduation so we will get to see you.

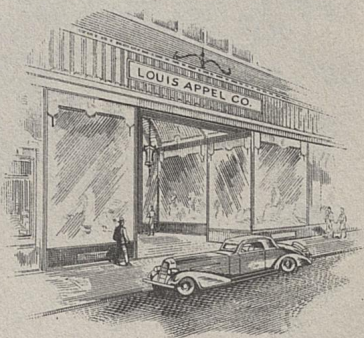
you can't guess who is back - she
says she misses the cola you
got from her every evening;
Mrs Stevens says she is returning
& Edna has her place - & she
is doing fine with the shirts.
Hello from Mrs Etta Richel.

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Hello George
Am still Pitching in the Fellowship
and am always Pleased to receive the
News you send my way and only
hope you continue to be able to
send them I wish you the best
of Luck and Happiness in
your coming Marriage and I
know everyone in the store joins
me in this. Keep Writing and we
will be on the job ready to
keep you posted with what goes
on.
Best Regards
Sam

213 Yale Ave
San Antonio
Texas



BUY
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a/c George Panary
Group II Squadron 1
Flight C 43-H
A. A. F. P. S. (Pilot)
S. A. Q. C. C.
San Antonio, Texas

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213 Yale Ave 3
San Antonio, Texas
Jan. 31, 1943

Dear George -

Got your letter day-before-yesterday when I came home from school. Gosh it was swell to hear from you 'cause I got my mind off of school and all the trouble I got into. Gee was I in a big mess. All most every teacher in hi-school had her tail over the line about something. The only one who was in a good mood was my voice teacher. She was swell. But I'm out of my jam now and every-thing is o.k. again. Man, I sure did have to talk long and fast. No fooling. I hope I never get in a mess like that again.

Today was Sunday and it was a boring day as usual. I don't know why but I always have just hated this day. Maybe it's because the next day is Monday and I have to go back to school.

The girl across the street has scarlet fever (so they think) and I was with her all day Sat. I still have my cold so mother is just about crazy with worry. She told me I had to go to the Dr's tomorrow and find out if I'm going to be o.k. Some-times mother's worry over such silly things. I'm well and strong and I won't get fever. But mother said I couldn't be to careful with

a disease like scarlet fever.

Today was just like a day in Spring. It made you feel glad to be alive. It made me feel especially good because Spring is my favorite time of the year.

This was the first Sunday in two months that Dottie and I weren't together. We always go to a show and sometimes we have dinner in town and we just make Sundays our day. I don't know of any other two girls that are as close as we are. I love her as much as I do my own sisters.

Irene and I just got through wiping dishes for Mother and we had so much fun. We all three laughed until our sides hurt and mine still do. We're just three silly women.

Did you see "Pittsburg"? my family liked it but I didn't care for it very much. In the first place I don't like the stars that played in it and least of all I (ll) like Randolph Scott and he got the girl so that ruined the whole picture for me. It had a very good moral to it that everyone should profit by.

The paper had some beautiful pictures in it today of Peru. I bet that's the most wonderful place to travel in. I just love to go places and do things. Some day, after the war and when the world is in order again, I'm going to sail around the world and see every-thing. Of course I'll start in the U. S. first and then South

America is next. And from there, who knows?

Well, that's about all I can think of for now so I'll sign off for this time.

Be good and write soon. Bye for now —

P.S.

I just addressed your envelope and I hope you know what A. Q. F. P. S. and S. A. Q. C. E. mean?

Leicester Ky.

June 28-43

Dear Sonny.

Tell honey how all you? I am
real disappointed. we thought you would
be here by now. but I guess we will
have to wait. I am just dying to see
you. La Verne is always telling us
how good you look in your uniform
Your little wife is looking good
I believe she is gaining weight. the
rest of us all are well. We go out
with your Mother real often we have
a good time. but I dont think your
wife gets a kick out of anything. I
guess there is only one person who
could show her a good time do you
know who I mean? well it wont be
long untill you will have her and
you will forget this thing ever happened.
I do hope you get to come real soon
we are Praying for you to get

a furlough. I hope you move close
to us as then La Verne could go
to you as I know how much she
wants to be with you but it looks
like she just can't get a start but
it won't be long as I think she
is feeling so much better I think
she was just lonesome and nervous
but we all get that way. Look what
John did to Poor Sis I feel so sorry
for her but I guess it happened
for the best. Norman is sitting on
La Verne's lap and she is reading
to him, it is raining out so he
had to stay in. he is still crazy
about her. They fight all day but they
sure must understand each other.

Well honey take good care of yourself
and we will take care of your wife
until you take over. Write soon and
remember we all love you and pray
for you all the time. Best of luck and
love from all to you. Your other mom,

Dear Janny.

Why didn't you answer
my letter I sent you.

Hows the H 2. coming
along good I hope.

I say what is a dead
stick landing.

La Uernie is reading
Book of Botman.

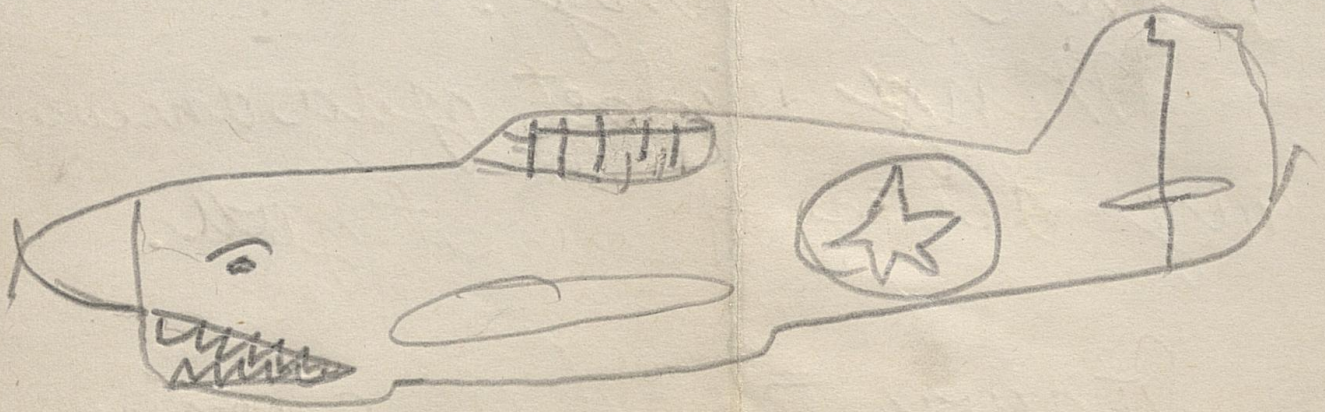
I'm still a good uwalp

P.S.

Norman
Mayer

Up to fly
Egghead.

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Harlingen Army Gunnery School
Harlingen, Texas

May 17, 1943

Hi Yah! George:

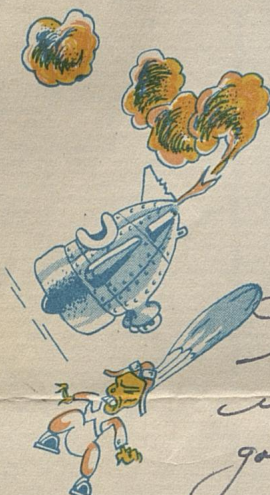
You sure missed the fun when you pulled out of here. The chow is pretty damn good now too. We start flying today. The ground range was rough but lots of fun. Had a lot of free time. We have had a lot of fun all the way through. The course was easy and I made an average of 91.2%. The firing was lots of fun and it is pretty hard to make a good score inspite of the amount of lead you can throw around. We are assigned to A-1's today and I look for a good ride.

I hope to make instructor and never
get sent out to Salt Lake City at all.
If I don't make instructor my wife will
move to Ft. Worth to my Uncle & Aunt
until I get sent to D. M.

I want you to notice how promptly
I answered this and in a month you
ought to be able to answer this one
also. I am sorry I didn't get it
off quicker but you know how
that stuff goes.

Fred Nichols & Don Jones were both
killed in crack ups in Basic. Ed
Llewellyn is in advanced and will
be going to combat soon is flying
P-40's now. They fly combat planes
in Advanced now and go to combat right
from advanced. Got some more belated
answers to make so best of luck and
Galley - Ho. I ran out of ink!
Your old buddie
Don Green

May 24 - 43
Monday Night



Hello George,

Hello Gene - how are you?

I've I hope & how do you
like the army by now. By the
way - Mr. Conroy. I heard you
got married. That's fine.

Sorry I hear you wanted out
of cadet training. I think you should
of joined the Fair Future Club - had
your Basic Training & then go to school.
Well you'll get another chance - I hope
you like it that much to wait.

Georgia & I correspond often & she
tells me how you are & the family
& about her boyfriend - oh. I wish
I knew the fellow - he is from the same
town & camp from.

I am at the office where I report.
I'd I just wrote a letter to a
friend of mine who lives in Iowa
& looked at my address book & found
where you were.

I heard you want in an office - if
so what? I want in Personnel here at
Base Hq. I want in the Service Record Section
& what a headache. All the problems of the
enlisted men are ours. Class 7 attrals - it's "
attrals - it's" - change of address of
wife & cant - marital, & a lot - St NLD
AD 35-1440 - & all that.

Well pal so long & please write
to us & tell us all about yourself &
about granny school. Did you know a S/Sgt
whose name is Block?
Sgt. Paul

Cpl. Paul Deland



SAN ANTONIO AVIATION CADET CENTER
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

March 7, 1943

Sound off?

Sure I'll sound off. I promised I'd write + answer any letters I received but I didn't know then what a busy schedule we'd have. It's not only busy but it's tough.

It's nice to take over but we really don't have the time to spend with the undergrads that we should + consequently when we do start on them we are really tough. So far we have one man who acted for a D.O. in flight "C". One man couldn't stand our Guards of ~~High~~ Honor + was carted off to the hospital in an ambulance. It wasn't serious though + he came back the same night. A few of the fellows are

gassed off + not only one of them thinks the
unpunctured is chicken shit. There is one boy
who thinks particularly that I am
chicken shit. (He's in the Hospital now).

We had a revision in the P.T.
schedule after Lt. Clement was made
squadron Commander. Our new P.T.
instructor is Lt. Smith + he makes your
classes in P.T. look like kindergarten. It's
really rough.

On the whole, things are getting
+ tougher. While outside we are subject to
the same laws that govern the unpunctured +
also in parade + drill. We are not allowed to
break ranks + when they give "parade rest" or
"at ease" it applies to both classes.

I don't know what kind of small arms



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instruction you had but so far we have had the 45 pistol the Tommy gun & today we fire the .30 Caliber machine gun, next week sometime the 30-06 rifle & later the .22 caliber rifle at bobbing targets.

I hope you'll pardon the scribbling but I am in a hurry. We have to fall out in a few minutes to go down to the firing range.

Two open posts have passed & tomorrow comes another. I stayed here for the 1st two, not because I had to, but because I needed the time to study Physics. It was giving me a little trouble but I am doing better now. My first exam I made a 65 & in the second on P 2 so I figure I am over the hump.

Have to go now.

Today I was exempted from Code class. Yesterday I passed the twelve word test + also the blinker test. Which reminds me. Both Mr. Thomas + Mr. Ivy, the code instructors received Commission as "Shave Tails". Mr. Thomas left a few days for Miami, Florida. Mr. Ivy received his Commission yesterday so we don't know when he will be leaving.

We received our pay last Monday amounting to \$75 + we receive another on the 15th of this month amounting to \$35 + we leave for Primary on the 20th but we don't know where.

Before I forget it I want to be sure + mention this. One of the uppersclassmen,



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and it narrows down to either
you or Sr. Conroy, left a wedding
gift here. It was left in the room
we had been using for a baggage
room & when we cleaned it out I
found it. It is a box about 10" square &
contains what appears to be a lace
tablecloth or something of the sort. It
had a Wedding Card in it but no name
on it so I don't know who it belongs
to. I will keep it till I hear from you.

Next time you write tell me a
little of what it is like to take one of
these ships off by yourself. That's
the day I am waiting for.

I'm sorry but I couldn't get Rex
Brown's address for you. The guy

was either going to look it up for
he forgot to look it up or he wasn't in.
Or should I say just "No Excuse Sir."
unquote.

Well, I guess that's about all I have
to say for this time. Let me know where
you go for Basic + I'll have another
try at this pastime called "Letter
writing."

Keep your wings level + true +
by all means

Keep 'em flying.

Stuart Gutz

Mrs J. Mayer
4601 W. Jefferson St
Louisville Ky



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Port. George W. Canary Jr.
445th Bomb. Group. (H.)
701st Squadron.
Wendover Field. Utah

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MISSING

to visit my girl friend and
my sister. I will take Diana
to San Antonio as we will
be there two or three weeks.

I work work two weeks
at the bomber plant here in
St. North. Diana was ill so
I had to quit. I planned to go
back this winter but whether
I will or not is something else.

I will close for now but do
write me soon and I will not
take so long in writing as I
have this time.

Love

Sue

P. F. C. Campbell, E. E.
764 2nd. School Sqd.
Class 44 Section 1 Barr. 525
Barkley Field
Denver, Colo.

P.S.

my address is 206 N. Riverside Dr.
you sent my letter to Eugenie's
mother house. I happen to
be there when it came.