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Dearest Folks,

Sunday afternoon - it is quiet here now - before I started this letter it finished raining - and now it is quite cool. I go on watch in about an hour so I want this brief with you.

First I shall tell you of our Thanksgiving - which was a good one. We worked all morning (the 27<sup>th</sup>) and quit around noon. Dinner was at one thirty. I tried to save a meal for you but I couldn't so I shall try and describe the meal we had. First tho remember that the entire meal was prepared from "C" rations. Here it is "Roast Chicken, Baked Ham, mashed potatoes (Dhy) Sweet Potatoes (Dhy) dressing, carrots, (Dhy) cranberry sauce, pumpkin pie, mince pie, creamy fruit cake, pineapple juice, ice tea, milk, and nuts and candy. Also cigarettes & cigars for those who smoke them. My brother and the wife certainly made themselves proud by the J.H. Alberston



meal which they put out. as I ate I thought over all I have to be thankful for - there is so much - your folks, home, memories and also plans.

after dinner I came back to the hut here and lay down for a couple hours - after which I went swimming for a while - took a shower and then went on watch. So you see I had a very good thanksgiving day spent here.

We received some mail this noon and in it was dad's letter - the one in which was enclosed that list of Bills reading. Thanks a lot dad both for the letter and the list. It was swell to hear how all of you are, and to get some of the home news with it.

Things here are going along quite good - a little excitement now and then and quite a bit of work, but that is what we are here for so we try and make the best of it.

As I have been writing this I have been interrupted several times so now it is time for me to go on watch - you are all in my prayers and I know he watches over you as he does us all

Lots of love

Jim

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