



SELMAN FIELD
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Sunday evening

Dear Mom & Orey,

Received your last letter on Friday, & was glad to hear from you after a couple of weeks.

Just got back from town, & I figured I'd write you before going to bed. If I didn't do it now, I probably wouldn't find time until next week-end.

I have only four more weeks to go until graduation, & I can't wait for the time to pass. We have only one more week of actual classes, & next Saturday, take our final exam - a 7 hour one. We also have only 4 more flights, and expect to fly two of them this week. They are long, day-night missions & cover a great distance. Last Monday, we flew to Georgia, about 700 miles. We started out in the afternoon, got there in 3 hours, landed, had dinner, & started back about 9:30 P.M., & got home about 1 A.M. At least we get some good food that way.

How are you & everyone in New York? I guess it must be nice & cool now. It's been quite cold here for the past week, & for the past two days, it's been raining. It's been so cold, that in Town Pearl has been using a quilt, & they even have heat in the house. I suppose you've read about the hurricane that's coming up from the Gulf & is expected to hit Texas & southern La. any minute. Well, we may get part of that here, too, although it would probably be only the tail end.

Pearl is fine, & anxiously waiting for the next 4 weeks to pass. She told me that she wrote you but hasn't heard from you as yet. If everything goes off as planned (I hope), we expect to be in New York 4 weeks from today at 11:30 P.M. I hope nothing happens to change our plans.

Well, that's all the news for now, regards to everyone & let me hear from you. Love from Pearl.

Marty