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Dear Mal:

I thought you would be interested in knowing that I spent a very pleasant evening with Colonel Bingham this past week and talked a good deal about you and the Transportation Corps. He seems like a mighty nice fellow and I am very glad that you and he have gotten along so well. He certainly speaks nicely about you. Incidentally, we were all very pleased that you got the Bronze Star and hope you will enjoy your work with headquarters on the Continent as much as you did in England.

I have not been home in nearly four years now and do not see any prospect of getting there too soon. However, we will look forward to a reunion sometime before the end of the century anyhow. Mother and Dad seem to keep well, and I know they write to you frequently even though I don't.

Colonel Bingham says you have become quite an engineer and were able to bluff people into thinking you were a technical expert even though there may be a few things about steam locomotives which you don't know.

I have had several friends go over recently, who were going to look you up, but both of them tried hard and missed you.

I tried to get a Christmas package off to you and suppose it will get there in due course. If there is anything you want, don't hesitate to write me in such a way that I can send it. You know they won't let us ship parcels from here unless it is specifically requested by you. So you might take advantage of this and make a request for anything you are short of that you think I can get.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year