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To Oriental

Beaumont, Texas



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Texas

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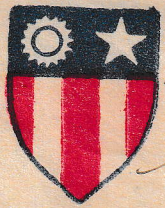


Dear Bud,

It's been a long time since I last wrote you. Almost two months. But I was away on a flying job and couldn't get to it - I'm back at base now and catching up on my correspondence.

Had a few letters from Abe - tells me he's got a few missions and is getting along O.K. Good for him. He also mentioned being in London for a few days leave and said something about the women around Piccadilly square being worse and more than what used to be on Crockett Street. One consolation anyhow - they are white women. But I don't





know - after you've been  
over here as long as I  
have these women began to  
whiten up a bit. The seventh  
of this month will be 14 months  
in India. And I might be on  
my way home within 3 months.  
But don't bank on it too much.

Got back to base on Christmas  
eve, but was too damn tired from  
flying, so had one drink with the  
boys and put it to bed. And incident-  
ly, I now hold the world's record  
for the longest glitter hop - non stop -  
ever made. It was a long time in  
the air - 8 hours - and I was dog  
tired in the end. <sup>(C.B.I.)</sup>

Went out new years eve and  
drank a quart of my whiskey  
ration. I'd been saving up for  
it for a long time and owed





C. B. I.

myself a good drunk. And I hung it on. Just as mellow as a chello. Nothing rowdy - just a quite drinking party among the boys - we were out at one the British clubs that are prevalent here.

What was cooking at home? And did the Pier charge a months pay to get into the joint?

Oh yes - while I was up-country on that flying job I ran into Sammy Cohen, his wife and U.S.O. troupe. We got to be fast friends. You remember Sammy in pictures - he played the part of the Irishman in the Fighting 69<sup>th</sup> with Pat O'Brien and James Cagney. He's quite a character. We've got a big reunion planned back in the states when we're all back. Ought to be a lot of fun.





It's getting a little chilly  
nowadays. I never saw such  
a country that went to  
extremes. You'd expect a place  
like India to be hot all the  
time.

As you saw your first letter  
you said you could provide a  
companion for a week someplace.  
What does she look like and how  
is it.

Well not much left to say  
so I'll close -  
Write soon

Your Loving Brother  
Bob