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ALL WELL AND SAFE WRITING ALL MY LOVE=
GEORGE BUSH.

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MRS P
BUSH
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P.S. Much, much love from me to,

Betty Lou

You are so wonderful for words to think of giving us our selves - I am so thrilled - do you really like our pattern? -

* AN AIRMAIL LETTER FROM *

PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS SYSTEM

EASTERN DIVISION, P.O. BOX 3311, MIAMI 31, FLORIDA

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September 25th, 1944

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Dearest Mum,

Your long newsy letter of Saturday was most welcome to us this morning. Beth and I read it together at breakfast and have spent some time talking it over together and making plans.

Both of us are thoroughly aware of the fact that life for us during the first year or so of our marriage is going to consist of very little of the luxuries and pleasures to which we have been accustomed to having for so long. However, we are eagerly looking forward to tackling whatever the future may have to give us. We will approach everything with our eyes open - even as we are planning our marriage. We do not harbor any grandiose, romantic illusions as to making lots of money soon or of living in style, for both of us have seen enough of life to realize thoroughly that, with prices and conditions what they are now, there will be little for us besides each other for some time to come. Nevertheless, Mum, we both are thrilled with the idea of making something out of very little and are terribly keen to get under way.

Beth I know is going to be one of the most capable wives that has ever lived. I can already see that there is nothing that will ever be to much for her to handle. She is going to take cooking lessons before we are married so that she will not have to learn later and ~~take~~ take the chance of wasting things. She is so ~~an~~ conscientious that she never fails to attain perfection in everything she essays. You can see that I am getting the most wonderful wife in all the world. - I guess you know your son well enough to realize this is high exaggeration! Love, Beth

If Beth is able to take the course that she wants in cooking on Tuesday nights, then I am going to take a course on the same night at the same place in home mechanics. These courses will be of great value to us and should save us a lot of money in the long run. Really and truly, Mum, we know that our existence will be meager for some time to come, but we also know that there is nothing else in the world that we want than to be with each other all the time. We are definitely aware of the obstacles before us; we are certain we can overcome them...

You and Dad are unquestionably the most generous two people who have ever lived and definitely the two most loved and appreciated by their children. However, I want you to know now that Beth and I want to do everything for ourselves, that we fully realize the tremendous obligations you have to each other and to the rest of the family, and that we shall never ask for help from any but ourselves. We are choosing our own course with our eyes wide open. We shall make a success of it on our own without being a liability to any of those dear to us.

Your very exciting news about the flat silver is just the most wonderful thing we have ever heard, and both Beth and I hasten to accept at once. We certainly would love to have you give us our flat silver. Wow, what a present! Mum, you are just too adorable for words.

P.P.S. Please under no circumstances quote Adm. Kaufman's letter on any point as nothing in it is official - all is merely ramblings of Beth.

P.S. Enclosed is Adm. Kaufman's last letter which is for you & Dad only to read & return. Also a letter from Beth & Dad which is for you to read, show Gamm, & return it to us for scrap book. Love, Beth

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How sweet of you to have gone to so much trouble about the monograms and everything! And ~~do~~ we appreciate it! The completeness of the set you have chosen is just too unbelievable for words because we literally could find very little here. We certainly would love to have our flat silver from you. Then you'd be with us forever at every mouthful just as you are always in our hearts.

Tanta's check sounds simply divine. Beth and I agree with you 100% about the tea set and will wait on that. We definitely would like to save both Tanta's and Gampy's checks for things we shall need after we are married and see what we still require after the other presents are in-if there are any other presents. Gee, maybe we're not excited!

Admiral Kauffman's last letter the other day was really a gem. He now seems to feel that he will be able to get back about the middle of December -or rather that he will be back early in December ~~xxx~~ and that the wedding could be in the middle of the month. That would be heavenly for us. Incidentally, his views on my chance of getting the P.R. job in Sao Paulo were 100 % identical with Dad's. Likewise did he express the exact same sentiments concerning the importance of the Traffic end of the airline business. I am so certain that he and Dad are going to be the very greatest of friends. Admiral Kauffman is a man of very great business ability and sound judgment. The two of them cannot fail to click.

Any more news as yet from Poppy as to when he expects to be home? Do keep us posted. Also, Mum, are you still planning to give me a trousseau of shirts, socks, pyjamas, underwear, handkerchiefs, ties and a bathrobe, or should I plan to get these articles myself.

I am in a quandary as to what to wear to the wedding. Are cutaways still in fashion, or are they out? Elsa seems to think that they ~~xx~~ are out for the duration. If not a cutaway, I guess it will have to be white, although where I am going to get a white suit made here is beyond me. They cannot be bought. We will discuss the matter a little more and then let you know. In the meantime drop us a line answering these questions, if you get a chance.

I shall certainly answer those letters. We have been so rushed that I have just never had a chance yet.

Played tennis with Barbara and Tom Thatcher yesterday and had a grand time. They were off so Beth and I won easily, but it was nice. The week end has been too wonderful for words with Beth more adorable and dearer every second. It seems that every minute of ~~xxx~~ our life makes us so much closer to each other. I love her more than anything in the world.

Must stop now as we are about to bicycle off to tennis. My dearest love to you, dad, and all at home,

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Your ever devoted,

Alvina

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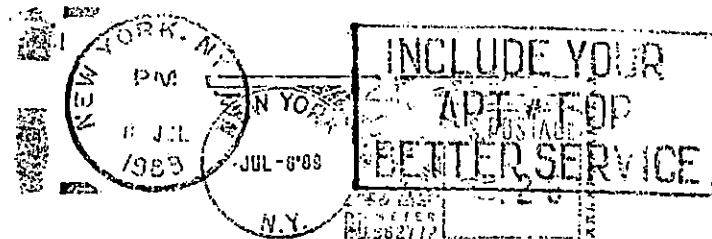


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6/27/64

Dearest Dottie -

Please excuse the informal paper but am getting you a line from air ^(plot) plot and facilities are limited - as you have no doubt read in the papers we have been active and it has been quite an experience - Pops has distinguished himself many times and is in good shape. I understand he had an emergency landing in the water, was picked up by a destroyer, and is in good condition as are his radio man and gunner. Haven't seen him personally but gathered this dope from some pilots in his squadron. I imagine he is ~~fast~~ ^{over} on board his

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^{by now}
Cairns T. You will probably hear
from him in the not too distant
future, but don't worry as this is a
big ocean, and communications are
difficult. I am keeping close tabs;
and in my opinion he will be
wearing an air medal soon. Worth?

Could go into more detail but
Censorship regulations forbid - A
great many of our own torpedo pilots
know Pops well and have come all
the way up to air plot to look me up,
and tell me what a great fellow he is -
Dottie you should be so proud of him, one
of the finest characters I know, and a damn
good pilot and naval officer & ~~fast~~ ^{best} -
Well I must close and will write again
soon - Love to all and wish I were with
you - Devotedly
Jim

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6/27/44

Dearest Dottie:

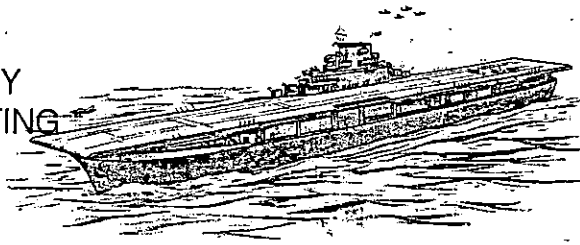
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Well I must close and will write again soon.

Love to all and wish I were with you.

Devotedly, Jim.

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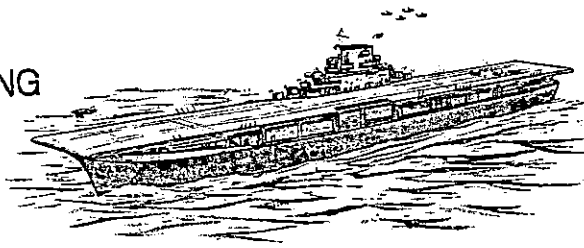
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Dearest Dottie -

Your thoughtful letters have been
greatly appreciated and I am only sorry I
have not answered them sooner, but we have
been on the go steadily, and not much
chance to attend to personal affairs -
First of all thanks a million for taking care
of Premie's wedding present - I am sure they
meet the bride's taste and old Bogardus
himself will enjoy ^{looking at} them during his many
pleasant hours at home with Betty Lou -
I am glad to ^{hear} Phiffer is still in business,
a nicer man never lived, but with his
German connections I was afraid they had

forced him out - I had a nice visit from
 Pops several weeks ago and he looked in
 great shape, and in good spirits. It must
 have been a terrific beating he took, but
 the old axiom still holds good "you can't
 keep a good man down". I understand his
 squadron is being relieved in the next few
 days, and it won't be long before you
 see him again. I hope he won't be sent
 out here again for sometime, and I think
 we ought to do something about it - I am
 writing Joe Powell, a good friend of mine
 in the Bureau to see if he can't find a
 billet for Pops at Ft Lauderdale or some
 other training station. This may give him
 a year back in the states - otherwise he
 maybe sent to a new squadron and shipped
 right back out again. Pops has been through

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a lot more than the average pilot, and in my opinion should not be sent right out again. Carrier flying is the toughest, far more, duty in the world - anything unsuspecting can happen and the pilot is helpless to do anything about it. So Pops has gotten through his first tour of combat duty with flying colors, and a very narrow escape - He should go home, get married and stick around for a little while anyway - Its pretty hard for Pops to speak to Gates or the higher ups, but I think Joe Powell can do it for me if he still has the job in Washington although

He may have been shifted - However
I am going to do my best - You and Pus
will have a busy time with the two
weddings and I wish I could be
present at both - They are wonderful
kids and the girls don't know how
lucky they are - Well Dads
must close and thanks again
for all your trouble - You are a
wonderful sister - Love to all
the family

Devotedly

Jim