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Don't forget to list the names and addresses of all the folks back home you'll want to write to—and their birthday and anniversary dates also.

It's a book devoted to *little things*, but in the army—as in life—it's the sum total of little things conscientiously done that add up to victory. We'll be victorious, too. The going will be tough at times, but American men can laugh at hard sledding when there's a bright goal for free men out there in the distance. So, good luck to you, friend. We're all pulling hard for you and—

We appreciate what you're doing.

Appreciate America

Feb 1, 1943.

Today I received my first package—this little book from home & some candy from Ruth. Quite a thrill. Go to church in the a.m.—In the afternoon May, Dave, semi. I go to town. Ride around Amara, have a delicious steak & eggs—& take a long walk. Quite a lilly up town. Come back on the bus.

"With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in."

—Abraham Lincoln, 1865

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Feb 2. Mon.

Go to work feeling rather all in. Work quite hard in the dental clinic today. Go to bed early - Write a little.

Feb 3. Tues.

My cold is troubling me a good deal. Go to bed early. Not much happening here.

Feb 4. Wed.

Feel better today. Work quite hard. Get a pair of hose from home. A grand surprise.

Feb 5. Thurs.

Get the P.M. Today. Go to town in a cab. Get stalled half way there - get a ride on the mail truck. Do a

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little shopping at the Officer shop - some white hose & shoes. Have dinner with Sim - walk around some. Get home at 12<sup>30</sup>.

Fri. Feb 6

Today I feel better. Wash my hair, iron, clean up & write some in eve.

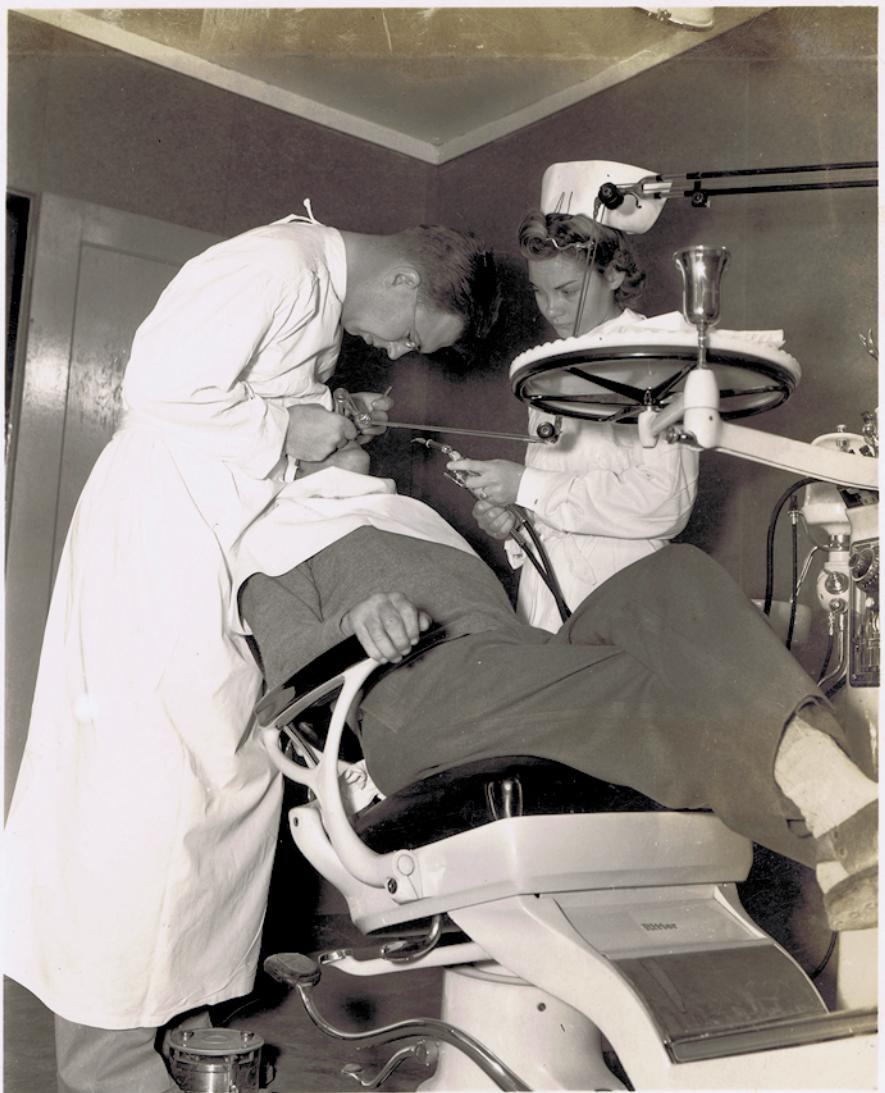
Sat Feb 7

Work until 5 pm. Then come over in eve & we go to the club for a little while. Have a reception for the girls from the 104<sup>th</sup> at Massawa. Go to bed about 12 pm.

Sun. Feb 7

Write some today. Go to church in morn.

Major Gallieckow  
Mai Habar,  
Eritrea



Dental Clinic - Mai Habar

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Go to town at 6 pm with  
Sis. Phillips, Mary & I see  
"Zee we met again."

Sun. Feb 14.

Go to church after  
which Sis, Mary, Phillips,  
Helen & I go on a picnic on  
the other side of Seamer.  
Have a grand time. Have  
hot dogs, rolls, cheese, pickles  
fruit juice. Have tea on the  
way home.

Wed. Feb 17. Go to town in  
eve. See "Tarzan's Secret  
Treasure" very good.

Sat. Feb 20.

Pachard & I go to town in  
afternoon. It is her birthday.

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Have dinner &舞会 at Officers  
mess. Go to "G." & have a party.  
Have ice cream, cake, cookies,  
coca cola. Helen takes me  
home. Fired out.

Sun. Feb 21

After church the six of us  
go on another picnic. See  
thousands of Baboons on  
the way. Take pictures.  
The little natives carry off  
our car seat. We finally  
found it - had a good  
laugh over it.

Mon. Feb 22.

Today 18 of our boys left  
by plane to go to Cairo.  
They never get there - Something  
happened to the plane.

"A mystic bond of brotherhood makes all men one."  
—Thomas Carlyle

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Wed. Feb 24.

Go to movie on the past  
tonight. See "Mrs Miniver".  
Cold outside.

Fri. Feb 26. Work today -

In eve. see Bette Davis in  
"Now, Voyager". Very good

Sat. Feb 27 & Sun 28.

Sat. eve Packard & Sam, Dan  
& I play pinochle at Davis.  
Spend the night at the  
"g". Get up early and go  
to the Battlefields & horse  
races at Karen. Have a  
swell time, but it was very  
warm. Get back to camp  
about 10<sup>30</sup> pm. Tired out.

March 1<sup>st</sup>. One year today  
since I joined the army.

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So much has happened in  
that length of time.

Wed. March 3.

Mary K & I go to town in P.M.  
Buy material for slacks & a  
dress. Get back at 7<sup>30</sup> P.M.

Fri. Mar. 5.

In a.m. Packard & I go to  
Seameric & Gura. Have  
lunch at the Seagull air  
plant. In eve. Smithy & I  
go to dance at "g". May & I  
spend the night there.

Sat. Don't get up until 11<sup>30</sup>.

Lead "In the Steps of the  
Master" - Go to town & try my  
dresses on in P.M. Smithy  
& I go to see "Lawn Argentine  
way" in eve. Stay at "g"  
until bed time. Get home

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about 2<sup>30</sup> P.M. Tired out.

Sun. Mar. 7. Go to church in A.M.  
we are all packing up getting  
ready to go. Rest & write in  
afternoon. Go to town at 6 p.m.  
Dane, May, Jim & I eat at the  
"j". Play phonograph & dance  
a little. Come back on bus.

Wed. Mar. 10. Packing today.  
Go to see Jack Benny & Carol  
Lombard in "To Be, or not to  
Be"; very funny.

Thurs. Mar. 11. Go to dinner in  
morning. Get a lot of mail  
today! 14 letters.

Fri. Mar. 12.

Today do a little  
more towards packing. Have  
a memorial service in eve.

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for the boys on the plane.  
Very sad. Have a show  
afterwards

Sat. Mar. 13.

Go to Decatur in A.M. ▷  
buy field jackets. Go to dinner  
at eve. on bus. Jim, May,  
Dane & I ride around some.  
Have ice cream & fresh straw-  
berries. Spend night at "j".

Sun. Mar. 14

Get up & go to church at the  
Church Army Club. Eat dinner  
& Kleenex & Picnic - have  
park chops - ice cream. In  
eve. go to a dinner for the  
21st & Capt. Richards. Have  
shrimp salad, olives, soup, steak, peas,  
potato biscuits, salad, pickles,  
apple pie & ice cream. Go see  
"Home & the Wind". Stay at "j".

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Mon. Mar. 15.

Sun Shop in a.m. Ride around & see Dave & May. In afternoon we Sim Center & we all 4 go af. to Gura. Beautiful dive. Eat dinner at "y". Dave & bring us home. in eve.

Tues. Mar. 16.

Packed some. May & I go for a walk in afternoon. Get 2 mos packages-one from Dad (compact), & one from Betty & Ralph Wad.

Wed. Mar. 17.

Go to Lomara at noon & May, Prusso, Klevering, & Boe. Eat lunch at Savaria - not Sim in eve. Stay at "y" get home about 1 am.

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Thurs. Mar. 18.

Get package from Mrs Meyers. Gun powder, bath powder, soap. Pack up some. Read & write letters today. Go walking

Fri. Mar. 19

Finish packing up today. In the afternoon we try to rest in our bed rolls. After supper go to show - see "Mr Gilder-slime." Then to the evening roast. Have a swell time. Bote bed at 1<sup>30</sup> am - in our bed rolls - gt up at 3<sup>00</sup> am. Breakfast at 4 am leave Sat Mar. 20. Mai Haber at 5 am. Go by bus & truck to Tasseine - 380 miles. Go through Chen, Agarot. Very dusty roads - see lots of camels,

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high ant hills. Set there  
at 8<sup>30</sup> pm. Have 2 flat tire  
one of the buses almost  
went over a bridge. Slept  
in round native huts -  
on mats & no sheets. Very  
tired out.

Sun. Mar. 29/43

Got up about 7 am. Set on  
the train at 10 am a very  
nice Pullman - by the Sadan  
Gen. R. R. system. Mary & I  
are together. It is very hot.  
Very dusty here. Have delicious  
meals on the train. Go to Capt  
Hirschman's room for a little  
while in eve & see the boys...  
One of our boys walked  
off the train in his sleep.

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Slept good.  
Mon. 3/22/43. Very dusty. No  
signs of anything growing  
at all anywhere. Have tea  
in a.m. & p.m. A real picnic.  
Stay & Capt. Richards in my  
Inclusion's room tonight for  
a while.

Tues. 3/23/43. Get to Wadi Halfa  
at 10<sup>00</sup> am. Get on the boat  
"Latue" at 12 M. There are 3  
boats. We have nice cabins  
lovely lounge upstairs.

Going down the Nile River.  
Scenery is beautiful.  
Relax & sleep together.  
We are all so dirty from  
the train. Wash after heels  
"The light of democracy must be kept burning."  
Franklin D. Roosevelt  
& take a bath. The first  
thing. It seems good not to

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have any men around.  
See a gorgeous sunset,  
the moon is full tonight.  
Such a night for romance!  
Wed. 3/24. Had tea in bed  
at 6<sup>30</sup> am. My goodness!  
Play Pinochle & 6 hands  
all morning & afternoon. It  
really are having a wonder-  
ful trip. Saw tea at 4pm.  
Slept fairly well tonight.  
Thurs. 3/25.

We docked about 2 pm - Get  
into Shedd at 6 am have  
tea at 6 am. This place is barren.  
Natives are so dirty. Mayr I  
walk around a little.  
Play Pinochle in apt. C  
Poppy, Grant, Capt. Richards, Lindy,

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Pagels & Lt. Muselbae. Get  
off the boat & on the  
train at 6 pm. Line & Hodge.  
This pullman isn't as nice as  
the other ones. Have chicken  
for supper. Play cards in the  
very cold tonight. The temp.  
nearly froze to death.  
Slept fairly well.  
Fri. 3/26.

Today we see lots of  
camels, sheep, etc. Get into  
Cairo about noon. Stay about  
2 hours. Warm during the  
day. See a gorgeous sun-  
rise this a.m. The sun  
came up behind the Palms.

see so many palm trees.  
 - Oh, saw a turkey roosting  
 on top of the church today.  
 Capt. Richards & I have tea  
 with the Colonel this afternoon.  
 Play checkers in eve. Go to  
 bed early. Cold.

Sat. Mar. 27. Get up at  
7 am. The scenery is beautiful.  
 We are now in Asia. At  
 the Mediterranean sea. Palm  
 trees, firs, fig trees, olive trees,  
 grapevines, orange, lemon &  
 grapefruit trees. Rolling plains,  
 few trees. The engine broke  
 down about 20 minutes out  
 of Tel Aviv. Get into

I eliavski at 3<sup>30</sup> pm. My  
 but it is terribly cold here.  
 Our barracks are so bare  
 nothing but our beds. Wrap  
 Party - go to bed at 8<sup>30</sup> pm.  
 Lied out & oh, so, duty.  
 Hodge & I are living together.

Sun. Mar. 28.

Get up at 6<sup>30</sup> am. My, but  
 it is cold here. This morning  
 can't even go to church as they  
 have Sat. instead of Sun.  
 Met an old friend of Mary's  
 + she & I go to Tel Aviv &  
 him. Go to Jaffa - the  
 ancient holy city. Buy some  
 candlesticks, egg cups, napkin  
 holders, a new Testament,

c. A mother o' Pearl cross  
 - Have dinner at a hotel that  
 overlooks the sea. Very pretty.  
 a very modern + large city.  
 But - things are very expensive  
 here. Very cold now. There are  
 orange groves all round about  
 here. We mean to enjoy them.  
 Hope to go to Jerusalem before  
 much longer. The hospital isn't  
 finished + looks as if it won't  
 be for a good long while yet.

Mon. Mar. 29.

Today we've shaved out a  
 little bit. After trying to  
 straighten up a little we all  
~~go~~ down + have our hair  
 washed + set. Go to the "Am:

Bar" + get a coca-cola.  
 ride home in a truck.

Tues. Mar. 30.

Mary + I go walking this  
 a.m. After lunch Mary + I  
 get a ride (in a jeep) to the  
 Br. Airport - Lydda - auto to  
 a Br. camp + to Tel Aviv + back.  
 Really enjoyed it.

Wed. Mar. 31.

wash + iron today. Mary  
 + I go to town about 5 p.m.  
 Get the bags + come home in  
 a cab -

Thurs. Apr. 1. Today don't do  
 much of anything. we have  
 a plane crash at noon -

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6. Surely is horrible. Richard & I go walking in afternoon. Get some grapefruit.

Fri Apr. 2 -

wash some in morning. Go to town after dinner. Delia & I go visiting. Eat in town. Met Sam come home in cab.

Sat. Apr. 3 -

May & go washing. In afternoon write some. Get several letters.

Sun. Apr. 4 -

Today have a wonderful time. Dyo, Capt. Tritton, Lt. Abbot & I go to Jerusalem. Start out at 9 am. Get there at 10:30. Go to the Y.M.C.A. bldg.

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It is a marvelous place - built in 1932 by the money donated by an American. Go to the tower & overlook the city - a marvelous view. See the hills - 35 of them, a large gym downstairs & a swimming pool. Then we go to the Old City. Walk to the "Church of the Holy Sepulcher. See where Christ was crucified, buried, & rose again. There was an earthquake in 1927 that somewhat injured the building. It is a gorgeous place. Go through the "Via Dolorosa" - way of the Cross.

"I speak not of men's creeds—they rest between  
Man and his Maker."—Lord Byron

Go down "King David's Street". The concrete street is very narrow with shops & bazaars on either side. The donkeys, sheep & goats are everywhere. Such an assortment of odors. It is dirty - very much so. The old men sit in the shop doors & smoke their water pipes. The children are cute but so dirty. In the shop one sees all sorts of handcraft making of straw stalks, baskets, shoes, mending shoes, jewelry, etc. Finally we walk back at the "Wailing Wall". Such a sight. Jewels old & young - with their faces up to the wall, crying & praying aloud. It is very touching.

We walk back "The Way of the Cross" to the "ij" where we ate lunch. After lunch we go by car to Bethlehem. It is a very pretty drive. Such aозглест country. We reach "The Church of the Nativity" - site of the Lord's birth. Go down inside the cave to the spot. A star is on the floor a few yards away is the manger. It is truly sacred. Buy some snapshots. Visit a shop & get some Mother Pedal pins c "Star of B" on our way back to J.

we stop at "Rachels Tomb"  
- go in.

Next we go to the "Garden of Gethsemane". It is called "Church of all Nations". A beautiful garden outside - with the most magnificent flowers - olive trees - as old as 2000 they tell. So gnarled & old, but holy. Inside, the rock of agony where Christ prayed. A glorious painting above. Truly it makes one desire to say more fully "Not my will, thine be done." Outside we go down in what seems to be a cane to "Virgin Mary's Tomb". From here we go to the

"Mount of Olives" or Mt. of Ascension. We climb a tower where we see all of Jerusalem. It is too cloudy - or we would be able to see the sea where Christ ascended - put our hands in His foot print on the rock. Truly it is a sacred spot. Go through the "Church of the Lards prayer" where the prayer is written on huge slabs in 41 languages. Visit the "Russian Church" where there are some marvelous paintings - "Christ's Ascension" "Royal Entry" "Raising of Lazarus".

By this time it is 6 pm  
we leave the Mt. of  
Olives & J. & come home.  
Go to bed tired but  
happy.

Mon. Apr. 5.

Today go to J. again  
all the girls - 28 of us.  
Go by bus. Leave at 9 am.  
Have a nice time. The  
way is beautiful. The peach  
apricot, almond trees are in  
bloom. Poppies everywhere.  
Spruce & pine trees. Go over  
"The 7 sisters - 7 curves."  
We go to some of the same  
places we did yesterday. It  
was raining & very cold  
today. Get back at 8 pm.  
Rains till night.

Tues. April 6.

Raining & cold today.  
May & S go to Tellie in  
P.M. & get a permanent  
write a few letters.

Wed. April 7.

Don't do much of anything  
today. Get a package from  
home - four shirts, also some  
orange & lipstick from Dad.

Thurs. April 8.

Today get up & 26 of us  
take a trip to Jericho. Have  
a wonderful time. It is 25  
miles from Jerusalem. The  
scenery is lovely. Stop at  
Salomon's 2 nurseries for  
awhile. See the Inn of the  
Good Samaritan on the

way to Jericho. Go through the Judean Wilderness. Go on down to the Dead Sea. Have dinner at the "Kallie" hotel on the beach. Have lovely day. Go to the Jordan River walk across the bridge into Trans-Jordan. See the ruins of the walls of the Old city. Watch the Shepherds water their flocks at the Well. Have some soda water at a little hut near "Elisha's Soda fountain - Old Jericho." So many citrus trees, bananas - spruce & palm trees. All very pretty. But outside the town it is bare. Get home about 8 pm.

Fri. Today May & I go to town at 10 am. Explore the town of Tellieiv. Go down to the native markets. Buy material for curtains. Have a nice time. I eat something that made me sick & I surely was sick tonight.

Sat. Apr. 10.

Stay in bed this morning and curtains. In afternoon go to the sauna gone and take some pictures. Write letters - Go to a very vulgar entertainment in evening, put on by some American performers. We were all ashamed of them.

"Rancor and bigotry, racial animosities and intolerance, are the deadly enemies of democracy."

—Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes

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Sun. April 11

Don't do much this morning. After dinner Igo & I go to the Scottish Hosp. to see Jackie. Buy a watch for 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  \$ - 30. Go to church in evening.

Mon. Apr. 12.

Packard & I go to town in a.m. Rainy here - awful weather. Read some in eve. "Random Harvest" by James Hilton.

Tues. Apr. 13.

Don't do much. Still rainy. Igo & I go to hosp. in afternoon.

Wed. Apr. 14.

On foot to town after dinner. Packard. Get my picture taken.

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Go to see "One Day in the Life" meet Jim - walk by the sea shore. Come home in a car.

Thurs. Apr. 15.

Get up at 7 am. A whole bus load of us start off at 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  am. for a 2 day trip. First of all we go toward Ziheries. The scenery is beautiful. Such an abundance of flowers. Very rainy.

Stop at a Jewish Colony for dinner. At another for tea. Pass over the Jordan River. It is so pretty - Get to Ziheries on the Sea of Galilee. Oh it is really gorgeous. Stay at a

Hotel "Continental" - nearly  
freeze - Packard & I sleep  
together. Manage to stay  
warm.

Fri. Apr. 16. Get up at 7 am  
after breakfast we go to  
visit the hot spring gathering.  
Mineral waters good for rheumatism.  
Then we go to Cana in Galilee.  
Visit the old Church where the  
miracle was performed.

It is a filthy village.  
Then onto Nazareth - Visit  
the Cave which is presumably  
the home of the Holy Family.  
On to Haifa - on the  
Mediterranean Sea. we drive

up to Mount Carmel and  
see the city & sea. It is  
gorgeous. After lunch we  
walk around town  
& then drive home. So  
many fruit groves &  
vineyards & flowers -  
Fields of grain - too  
pretty to describe. Get  
home & fed to get there.

Sat. Apr. 17. Wash & iron  
some. Go see Jackie in aft.  
Rainy. Write in evening.

Sunday. Apr. 18. Go to J.  
by truck to a Palm Sunday  
service. Igo & I go to town  
when we get back.

Now. Go to town & Packard.

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Tues. don't do much. we are getting ready to leave again.

Wed. Go to town & have my hair fixed. Meet Jim & go out to the Zoo.

Come home on the bus.

Thurs. Go out to the Scottish Hosp. in a.m.

Fri

Sunday. Easter. Get up at 4 am & go to J. Go to services at the Garden Tomb. Then to an American Mission. Walk up to Mt. of Olives & Getsemane. Come home on bus. Get to camp at 9 pm. Tired out.

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Monday Apr. 27.

Tired out today. In p.m. go swimming in the Mediterranean Sea. Capt. Richards & Lilly.

Tues. Go to town after lunch. Meet Jim in Drang grove - Have a nice time. Pack in a.m.

Wed.

Getting ready to go. Go have 4 letters today. Go to town in p.m. Meet Jim - come home at 7pm. Get paid in a.m. Money today Thurs. Apr. 30.

2 his is the date for our first group to leave. We are all busy packing. After noon go to town. Get our hair fixed. Richard, Igo & I have

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dinner & 3 air corp bags. Come home on 11 pm bus.

Fri. Finish packing today. So far a walk in afternoon. Go to bed early.

Sat. May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Get up, + have breakfast at 6<sup>30</sup>. we are all ready to go at 7:30. Go by bus to Haifa - Then board a very uncomfortable train to Damascus. From 11 am to 11<sup>30</sup> p.m. We really were very worn out when we arrived. Get a room at the "Great Palace" hotel & Fineash. a very modern hotel.

Sun. May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Get up at 7:30. Jackie Mary, + I get a taxi + huzzey + start

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out to see Damascus. Go down the street called "Straight" a filthy town. See the Syrian University. Buy a set of demitasse spoons. Have lunch at the Hotel + board the air conditioned bus bound for Baghdad. A very nice bus. cost less a Johnny in the rear. 2 miles Chilly at night. Have our supper in a little box.

Mon. May 3. Get to Baghdad at 10 am. My it is very hot here - + filthy. Go to the Y.W.C.A. which is right on the Tigris River.

"... To bigotry no sanction, to persecution no assistance . . ."—George Washington

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Hodge & I get a room together after dinner in eve. Jackie, Crowell, Hodge, Pappy Hart, Tricic, Muskback & I go to see "Desert Victory."

Tues. May 4. Today it is hot again. Had tea at 6<sup>30</sup> am, tea at 1<sup>30</sup> & tea at 4 pm. Oh my! In eve. Jackie, Delia, Crowell, Hodge & I go out to dinner at the Germania Hotel & some Br. officers.

Wed. May 5. The 2<sup>nd</sup> group arrives today. We are really glad to see them stay home in eve.

Thurs. May 6. Today I am 24. I can't realize it. Time is surely flying. In eve. We got to dinner

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& to the Br. Officers Club. Fri. Still as hot as blazes. Go to dinner & cards at the Zia Hotel. Sat. This afternoon went with Mary K. Mary Marsh & Silberman to the home of the Polish Consular for tea. Really had a lovely time. In eve. Jackie, Maryaux & I go to the opening of a Br. Sergeant's Club. Have some very good toasted Sardine & bacon sandwiches. Sun May 9. Go to church this a.m. at St. George's church. Meet Mr & Mrs Hatten 2 american missionaries. Jackie, Ellen & I have

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dinner & 3 hr. offices out  
at the Br. Camp. Have  
steak, Fried potatoes, eggs,  
toast & ice cream.

go to Hodja, Bly, Selsis  
& the American Camp from  
the Legation in afternoon  
Go for a boat ride down  
the Zigrinus.

Mon. May 10. don't do much  
today. Spend the night in  
Packard at her hotel.

Tues. Leave Baghdad at 2<sup>30</sup>  
on the hospital train. Go  
through Babyland. a very  
comfortable train. The  
desert is very dusty &  
warm, however.

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We arrive in Basar  
Irag, at 8<sup>30</sup>. They take us  
by truck about 20 miles  
to the "Marine House" on  
the river. Rest in P.M.  
In eve. go to dinner at  
the American offices here.  
Meet some nice fellows.  
Go out to the airport  
hotel for a little while.

Thurs. Get up early to catch  
a 6 o'clock ferry & miss it.  
Wait until 8. Then by  
command car to Khorasan  
which is our new home.  
Very hot here, dusty  
but we can't take it.

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Fri - May 14. Work all day long. very hot here. Wash room at ready to go on duty. About 8pm get sick. Temp  $103^{\circ}$  -

Go to hospital

Stay in for one week.

Nothing much happens this month.

June. Work in the dental clinic & Lee Hien. Have a good time. Work hard. Go to Abadan swimming a couple of times. Being hot here all month long.

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July. Line goes on. Working in the dental clinic. Not much happens. Go out swimming a few times. Go for a boat ride one night & port officers have pepsi colas.

Phyllis Igo has a birthday party & a group of us go have chicken - nice time.

August. Come out of the dental cl. Have 2 wks. 3-11 on wd 9 - duty surgery, one wk 7-3 - & then on nights very oppressive here this

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mouth. don't do much.  
Write read a little,  
go swimming a couple  
of times - see Smithy  
over in awhile.

Soon it should get  
cooler. I will make  
sent to Cairo.

Sept 1-6. on rights from H. J.  
Jimmy Rawlin & Evelyn Collins  
fly to Cairo to get married.  
Miss Schweible left to go  
home. Col. Huberlin left  
last month. Parker & Oliver  
gone. Hanlikau, Betty Hamill  
Collins, Bro & Mary & Lucy  
Testo being transferred &  
replaced. Such changes.

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Sept This last month I have  
received quite a lot of news.  
Hazelton got married Aug 24  
Agnes had a baby Aug 28.  
Such happenings. I spent  
5 days in the hospital an  
enlarged lymph gland.  
Very hot. Move to the  
new barracks over by the  
mess hall. Get a new chief  
nurse this last month -  
Harriett Williams

"God grants liberty only to those who love it, and  
are always ready to guard and defend it."

—Daniel Webster

Oct 1. 1918 Today Pickard, Packard,  
 Mayr & I leave for Irbid.  
 Drive to awaf & get on the  
 train at 6 pm. Have a nice  
 trip. Pass thru 133 tunnels  
 within 132 miles. The scenery  
 is beautiful. Get off for a  
 few minutes at Sultanabad  
 & buy some doughnuts.  
 At "I um" we see from the  
 P. R. station the Gold mosque.  
 Very pretty. Get to Irbid at  
 7 pm the following eve - 25 hours.  
 Tired out. Quite a bit cooler here  
 than in Khir. Go to bed early.  
 On Sunday I go & help friend

takes us around the city  
 in his command car.  
 Then we go to church  
 in eve.  
mon. This afternoon a Lt.  
 Meyer takes us jeep riding.  
 Go up to the Almond  
 Hotel - a gorgeous hotel up  
 on the mountainside. The  
 scenery is beautiful.  
 Have tea & toast this.  
 In the eve - Packard & I  
 go out to dinner to Capt.  
 Jerhi. Have steak, potatoes,  
 cucumbers, tomatoes & melon.  
 On Thursday we take a  
 sight seeing tour of

interesting places. Go to the Gadaston Palace to see the "Peacock Throne". A beautiful palace like a museum. Then to the bazaar. Just like a 5¢ id. store only everything is so terribly high. Go to see "Rey" the ancient city. Visit a mosque there. In the p.m. ride out to the hotel Demanend. Take a few pictures.

Fri. Go to town in morning. Tonight the "Generals party". We go about the <sup>32</sup>

"Have cocoa colas". I have "Vodka" for the ones who wish. He has a beautiful residence - like a hotel. Gen. Counnelly & Gen Scott. Have a hoppett supper & a movie "7 lying Tigris" afterwards. Get back about 12<sup>30</sup>. It's quite chilly here at night.

Sat. Pickrel, Packard & I go to town early & get our permanent. Eat lunch at "Y". In eve I eat dinner at a Major Sneed & then come to the Club for the eve. Have a nice time

Sun. Go to church in a.m.  
After lunch go on a picnic  
with 6 other couples. Grill  
steaks, fry potatoes & bacon  
toast bread over a charcoal  
fire. Have a good time.  
Mon. Go to town in a.m.  
Get ready to leave in p.m.

Tues. Get up at 3:30 p.m.  
Eat breakfast at 5, & get  
down to the airport at 5<sup>30</sup>.  
The plane leaves at 6<sup>30</sup>.  
My, it is a beautiful ride.  
Reach Abadan at 9 a.m.  
~~This~~ <sup>is</sup> ~~supposed to be home~~

wed. Oct 13.

Today Jim left for  
Cairo - & home I will  
will miss him.

Thurs. Go see "Vivacious  
lady" in eve. Sun. we  
feel "stage door Canteen".  
Write letters.

Oct 13 - Nov 1.

So much has happened  
this month. Mary Kucynski  
transferred to the 18<sup>th</sup> Field.  
Collins & Nowlin transferred  
to Cairo - I've been on wd 2  
the last half of the month.

Nov 5. Go to Baqra in  
eve. Eat dinner at the

## MY DAYS IN THE SERVICE

Airport Hotel. Go to Lt. George  
Meet a Lt Joe Nutka. Go out  
with him a few times.

December

Get off night duty Dec 5.  
The last week of the  
month I get an awful  
rash on my face & have  
to stay in the hospital over  
Christmas Eve.

Have a Ymas party -

New years

on New Year's Eve  
Crawell & I go with  
Lt George Wallace. Sit  
by the fireplace & listen to  
the radio.

## MY DAYS IN THE SERVICE

Have a nice New years time.  
Seems impossible that  
another year is gone. Have a  
nice Xmas. Sing carols  
on the wards & in the  
hosp Christmas morning.  
I get a lot of packages.  
make up lots from Ruth,  
Conway & Art. Soap -  
gummed, 2 slick - etc.

Work on AT Promotions  
am on night duty Feb 20  
March 5.

"Those who expect to reap the blessings of freedom,  
must, like men, undergo the fatigue of supporting  
it." —Thomas Paine

April 9 - Easter day.  
Not much has happened  
here lately. We are  
now in S. S. uniform.  
On Easter our. Chair puts  
in a cantata. Turns  
out fairly good.

Our orders to return  
to "Zone of Interior"  
come in April 8.

23 of us. lot of excitement  
again, about.

April 10 We go to Abuqaz by train  
Monday pm Takes 4 hours

Find out when we arriving  
Apr. 11. Tues.  
we are in one long

barracks like last  
bragg days. Seems quite  
funny - set yellow fever  
shot in P.M. Waiting  
it to hit wait.

April 24 - Leave & go to  
Abuqaz. Have dinner & get a  
plane at 2<sup>3/4</sup> AM. Get to Cairo  
at 8<sup>30</sup> am

Tues. May 2<sup>nd</sup> Leave 8 am for  
Khartoum. Takes 6 hours -  
Rather a rough trip