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Dearest Mom & family.

It's two weeks since I last wrote, and another pay day has rolled around so here you are for the semi-monthly report.

I've stayed pretty close to barracks since we landed here. We just been out once a week. Dick and I and a couple other fellows went out yesterday afternoon. Went to the "A" for a swim, then we went across the strait and bowled a couple of games, then had supper and went to a show. We had to be in by ten o'clock because of the black-out. They had one here last night just for practice. It sure was funny to be wandering around in a big city like this without even a vestige of a light anywhere.

We've spent some time mooching ~~around~~ around ~~among~~ among the shops and dives here in the city. We should be able to pick up some pretty nice stuff to send and take home. Jade, ivory, silk and so on are quite cheap here, compared to Canada. Even jewelry, watches and so on are only about two thirds the price they are there because of this being a duty free port. I don't know when we'll be able to send parcels home, but when we get it straightened up I'll see how the price of silk stockings are here and try and send home a dozen pair or so for all you women. By the way, what size had I better send?

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