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Dear mama,

Was glad to get your letter - I was beginning to think that I hadn't answered your last letter and was thinking about writing when I received your letter -- I got the papers ok. Glad to hear that everybody is ok there, and hope dad can get his old job back or a better one.

Not much news here - I took a 2 day trip to the "San Blas" Islands a few days ago. We went on the yacht "Deborah". The Chaplain of Ft. Sherman was in charge of the trip. A Tech Sgt. from Ft. Randolph installed a 1 tube transmitter on the boat and had me go as the operator using our call "K5AU" - we had a pretty good trip. I wrote Mildred a letter telling about it. I sent the letter to Juliette but guess she will get it ok.



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We have been off the air here for about 3 weeks on account of a burn-out in the power supply but will have it fixed up some time the first part of July. Maybe I can get hooked up with Clayton again.

Two of the operators here are leaving next Wednesday. I will get a little higher rating (RF©). The boat I am figuring on leaves Nov. 12th. I don't think I like Panama well enough to put in for a year extension although I am pretty sure I would make Corporal if I did. -- I saw Richard last week - he is anxious to get back home -- haven't seen Cecil since a while after Xmas. -- Tell Bill <sup>die or meet</sup> will ans. his letter soon -- Love to all  
write soon -- John