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Dear Mother:

I have just arrived in the states. I am fine and feeling good. I am here in Oakland, Calif. but will

leave tomorrow for Philadelphia.

I will be in the hospital there for a short while and then I will be able to come home. I am in the hospital for a general check up.

The weather here in California is very beautiful and I am enjoying



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a good rest. Surely wish I could go
down to see Aunt Aiken and Uncle Roger
but will be unable to do so.

While on the Hornet I was in New
Guinea, Saipan, Guam, Tinian, Rota
the Bonins, the Admiralty Islands,
the Carolines, The Marshalls, and
the Philippines. also the first
and second battle of the Philippine
sea.

I will write you from Philadelphia!

Love,
Jim