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<sup>She</sup> ~~It~~ really is ~~it~~ a grand old place. I love her terribly.  
She is a land of beautiful trees, plentiful food and  
fertile lands. Here, we often have snowy white  
Christmases, ~~and~~ warm warm Eysters, and cold Thanks-  
givings. It is hot in June, ~~and~~ July, and August and  
<sup>old</sup> in November, December, and January. But she  
is a good land, and a good people live in her. I feel  
that I have every right to be proud of her. And  
speaking of being proud, you have every right to  
be proud of your Daddy and Mother. I don't see how  
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My address is on the outside of the envelope.  
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Monday, March [4/4]

Dear Arthur,

I don't know you, but I hope I will, someday. My name is Mary Grace Godard, and people call me Meggy. I am 11 years old and in the 6th grade. My Daddy teaches psychology at Queen's College. He is also Dean of Instruction, and watches the girls who are learning to be teachers. I have a little brother <sup>Terry</sup> who is nearly 8 and a little sister <sup>Doty</sup> who is 5 1/2.

They are very nice, very cute, and very tomboyish. You would like them both. My mother is real sweet and good to us. We love her very much. Then, last, but not least is our little mongrel dog, Fluff. Fluff was seven in February. She is very funny and lovable. She likes boys, and would probably like you. She never bit anybody, except when she was a pup, and cutting teeth. It wouldn't hurt then, and when she was a little older, we taught her never to bite. She chases squirrels, but rarely ever catches ~~them~~ them. She chases cars too, and we worry about that. But she has lived 7 years, so we let her chase 'em.

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March 31, 1944

General Douglas MacArthur  
U. S. Army  
c/o Postmaster  
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear General MacArthur:

Our artist has done such a splendid job of your portrait for the cover of our March issue, that we thought you might like to see it.

Our magazine is an employees' magazine, started mostly for the benefit of our boys in the armed services, both abroad and here.

From their comments it is apparently succeeding in its intention.

Yours very sincerely,

Ruth C Schasck  
Associate Editor  
KaumCraftsmen

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## Death Takes Southland Social Figure

Mrs. Florence M. Quinn, wife of Charles H. Quinn, died yesterday at her residence in Thornby Hills. Mrs. Quinn had been a resident of this city for many years and prior to her marriage to Mr. Quinn was the widow of Arthur Letts, founder of The Broadway and Bullock's, and during his lifetime a distinguished citizen of this community.

Mr. and Mrs. Quinn have taken a keen interest in their social and charitable activities, and Mrs. Quinn's passing will be a distinct loss to the community. She leaves, besides her husband, three children, Mrs. Malcolm McNaghten, Mrs. Gladys Pollock and Arthur Letts Jr. She also leaves the following sisters: Mrs. Garnet Flynn of Montreal, Can.; Mrs. William Jeffrey of Toronto, Can.; Mrs. Bertha Ecclesford of St. Petersburg, Fla., and Mrs. Agnes Hunter of this city; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, all residents of Los Angeles.

The funeral will be a private one and will be held at the family residence in Thornby Hills.

CHARLES H. QUINN



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at the time of the final examinations the year I was there. I recall the fact that you were responsible for reclaiming the examination papers which I in a moment of pique had thrown into the wastebasket, and decided to quit. The fact that you retrieved those papers really changed my whole future,- the story of which I will write you in detail some day, but just at this moment I thought that I should take this opportunity of telling you in a few words that you were really responsible for my entire engineering career.

From the news we get back here in regard to activities in your field of action in the South Pacific, appreciation of your accomplishments grows from day to day as the news come in, and I feel that in writing you that I am speaking for a host of friends and citizens of this country who are solidly behind you in your efforts. I am not very proficient in expressing things of this sort, but I am sure that you will understand just what I am trying to say.

Trust that this will find you in very good health and with the profound wish that you take care of yourself,

Very sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Charles H. Quinn'.

CHARLES H. QUINN

CHQ:RB

General Douglas MacArthur  
Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area  
c/o A.P.O.  
San Francisco, Calif.

Noted

CHARLES H. QUINN  
1121 PACIFIC MUTUAL BUILDING  
LOS ANGELES 14



March 31, 1944

My dear Douglas:

Very glad indeed to get your note of February 17th. For several reasons I have not had an opportunity of replying to you at an earlier date. The enclosed clipping will give you an inkling as to what has been taking place and I am sure that you will understand that my delay in writing you is a matter that was somewhat beyond my control. I find that I have to adjust myself to a new kind of living and the process naturally from my viewpoint is somewhat difficult, but I am sure that in time it will adjust itself as it has with others who have been placed in the same position.

Regarding the old crowd back at the West Texas, I may not be able to give you very much information. The Terrell boys, George and Lewis, are now living in Seattle and as I understand are in the real estate business up there. Dick Bolling finally got his degree in medicine and was practicing in Santa Rosa, California when he passed away, which is quite some years ago. As a matter of fact, I believe it was about the time of the first World War. My brother, Owner, died in 1923 in Boston, and Warren, whom you knew best of the three of us, passed away in 1939. This is not very interesting news but it may give you some inkling of what has become of some of the family and some of our old friends. I have been living here in Los Angeles for the last ten or eleven years and prior to that time was in San Francisco, having left the East and moved out to the Pacific Coast in December, 1923. Sometime in the future when you have finished up your work in the South Pacific and get back to the States I do hope to have the pleasure of seeing you when you come ashore here in California.

As my memory takes me back to the days in West Texas, I am wondering whether or not you remember an incident which happened at the W T M A



Lincoln School  
Dare, Vermont  
March 31, 1944

General Douglas A. Mac Arthur  
Commander of Allied Armies  
in the Southwest Pacific

Dear General MacArthur:



Our class held a Republican convention to see how one is conducted. Of the three men nominated, Governor Thomas C. Dewey of New York, Wendell L. Willkie, and you, we nominated you to run for president of the United States in the coming election. Will you accept the nomination?

I am sure that the pupils and teachers of this school and every school throughout the country wish to join in wishing you success in your campaigns in the Pacific battle area.

Sincerely yours,  
8th. grade  
Lincoln School

Place the complete address to which these letters are to be sent below and your return address in the space provided. The recipient's full name and address must appear. This mail arrives in 48 hours.



General Douglas MacArthur  
Allied Headquarters  
Postament Pacific

Subville, Tenn.  
March 21, 1944

Dear Sir:-

Since in the last six months I have written you--not to sell the letters. In fairness to your expressed wishes, to the Supreme God and the home front, this will be mailed--even though you are away but it-- because you are the only one, in my opinion, who can dignify a war effort --a spiritual reform at home, where it needs to be needed most.

Please let the American public know you will either lead our troops to the Philippines and on to Japan, in my opinion, or as the Commander-in-Chief, whichever you are selected for.

My predictions will prepare, only as an humble & governmental employee, is that you will lead the army as Commander-in-Chief, if you choose to. Without a direct or indirect commitment, however, I will not be responsible and power saving politician and will override this wish at the convenience.

I am a Democrat and was educated in the city of your birth and now reside since to your wife's home town--you are General Douglas MacArthur to us--not a republican or a Democrat. This opinion and feeling is also shared by millions of other Americans.

From a military, diplomatic and a spiritual standpoint, we need you. What's in it for us? After my affirmative commitment, my and other persons look for your readiness won't or will not have to be completed.

Trusting one copy of this letter may reach its destination, a duplicate is being mailed under separate cover.

Regardless of your reaction or decision, please permit us to extend my kindest regards and deepest devotion.

Sincerely,

C. J. Hunter Arthur H. Yoderberg, Michigan  
Reference to April, 1944 Reader's Digest.



PUBLIC RELATIONS

To	Name	Sign
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_____	Maj. Myers	_____
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REMARKS

30 Mar 44

Larry: Tell the C in C that Fox Movietone reports that its film showing the General speaking at Canberra is being shown in all theaters, and that the reception it is receiving from the audiences extraordinarily fine.

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REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES

DECATUR, ALABAMA

General McArthur

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commentators that are as busy as the clock 24 hours a day. I remember in Manila on a sunny day on top of one of their modern buildings a commentator gave all the news to the Japs, in English, that they desired. The following day the building was destroyed. Our self-made commentator, the human newspaper, Walter Winchell was attack on the radio March 26 by Martin Dies. You probably heard that program. We are constantly reminded by the press and radio what will be done with the war guilt, but yet a German, who helped his son while in this country on a spy and sabotage mission, was freed after he said Hitler would not let him die. The Japs have recanted and refused to serve under our flag at a camp in America, although, they are American born.

After numerating these instances I still feel that we have great days ahead and that our country will flourish. Our wounded will be many, therefore, we need a person in the high place that has a heart and soul as well as one who can communicate with the Father above.

I would like to hear from you as to your candidacy for the presidency of the United States.

*Your truly*  
*Butler P. A. Hine*



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REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES

DECATUR, ALABAMA



March 29, 1944

General Douglas MacArthur  
South Pacific

Dear Protector in Arms:

I would like for you to relax and in memory and with feeling commemorate a letter written you February 18, 1938 which you answered on March 21, 1938 prior to the present conflict of great scope commemorating the attack of St. Mihiel. As I feel it a duty, as well as a privilege, to communicate with you at this time further appreciations of your great services to our country of which carries the most powerful emblem of recognition, Old Glory. Though it is late in the end of a day I hope it is not too late to get your attention in the most serious moment of our country. We need now a man with courage and fortitude that will lead our people as did a general of old, the father of our country, who from his experiences succeeded. That is why we exist today. Could it be possible that you would want to accept such a responsibility, as well as an honor, to serve this country in its greatest capacity at a time that has not existed since those days of George Washington and his perilous undertaking of establishing this country.

I think it is high time, after several years of devastation and destruction that people should speak, for in that speaking there will come a desire for a man of service who has been through the devastation and destruction of war like nothing else that has ever existed where Old Glory has flown.

With you where you are it might be difficult for you to answer such a request, or let anyone know your feelings in this matter, but as your name is spoken freely in a move to select you as a candidate for president I am wondering what a private of old could do in making this a success. We will have to erase the line of party for this particular undertaking. I am a Democrat by birth but feel there is too much discrimination in party line and not enough recognition in representative of party as to where it came from and who sired it and what other parts of the family think of politics.

Free thinking Americans are prone to believe that a change of leadership is essential and if the present leadership is continued on for another four years it might be far beyond redemption. I have noticed they speak of appeasement yet we are today appeasing the French, Italians, Spanish and Ireland, or parts there of. It seems there is a delicacy, or a lack of command or courage. Russia is soaring on. How could Russia be at peace with Japan, Finland be at peace with America, Turkey in the middle of all of it and is an enemy to no one but receives lend-lease from the Allies. Switzerland is the mouth-piece for Europe yet she is our expression within those confines. Sweden on the north is between two belligerents yet the world has it that she is neutral. Who knows what is within her boundries. We have radios and

officers with whom I have  
been associated and  
whose military and naval  
careers are a source of  
inspiration to those of us  
who hope to follow them.

With sincere good wishes

Ernest Sherman

[Ernest Sherman]



Original of this letter filed with US Correspondence located in Office of Director,  
Bureau of Archives, MacArthur Memorial Hq. Det.



In flight  
March 29th. [114]

Dear General

I want to express to you  
my personal gratification at  
what I am sure marks the  
beginning of the close cooperation  
which will inevitably bring  
greater and earlier success in  
all our efforts against the  
enemy.

I want also to thank you  
for your hospitality and  
the warm courtesies extended  
to me during my visit to  
your headquarters. I would  
like to ask for one more -  
if you would be willing to  
give me a photograph of  
yourself it would be highly  
prized indeed and would  
be placed with those of  
the few others of older

If a man can retain the gift of  
laughter, in spite of the rigors of a  
heavy campaign, he can achieve  
a degree of happiness in living.  
Liked your reference to God's  
help & His rich blessings & guidance  
These words, coming from a leader  
like you, mean a great deal in  
the lives of many people who have  
great burdens to bear & also to  
those who are apt to be unmindful  
of God's help.  
Many people are grateful to you for  
your comments on the spiritual  
life. Australia is richly blessed in  
having a Commander in Chief who  
lights the way for others.

Yours sincerely  
Mrs M. Irene V. Donnell  
14 Lord Street, Rossville N.S.W.



Darling Coast.  
New South Wales.  
28.2.44

General Douglas MacArthur,  
Commander in Chief,  
South West Pacific Area.

Dear General MacArthur,  
We gathered in strength  
when your broadcast from G.P.A.  
on Saturday night & again on Sunday  
came through with particular clarity.  
There were a number of service men  
& women in the group & all enjoyed  
the privilege of listening to your address.  
Liked your praise of the troops  
"over here" - they are magnificent -  
also your reference to the linkle  
of music & laughter - G.P.A. can  
help the troops very much there.





Only one stamp found, which has been withdrawn and placed  
in Arthur MacArthur's stamp collection. R Brown 2/27/68

Mindanao Guerrilla Area , Philippines  
March 27th, 1944

PERSONAL

To General Douglas MacArthur, SWPA

Dear General:

I am sending you two mint copies of one of the new stamps issued by the Philippines while under the boot of the Japanese military Administration. At one time, I had a fair collection of Philippine stamps, but since it fell into the hands of the Japanese when they captured Manila, I have had little interest in starting a new collection.

Sincerely yours,



*Wendell H. Fertig*  
WENDELL H. FERTIG  
Colonel, AUS

Encl: 2 5¢ phil stamps, 1943.

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To return to the Philippines, so the dream  
of Batavia shall finally rest

And as he is what he is we know he'll  
do his best

And at his best he'll always win

So we wish you General Godofredo

And may you formal your deed in  
such a manner

To give you a glorious and victorious banner

General Mac. Arthur, we are very proud of  
you, every woman and man

For all your deeds of greatness and because  
you are the Hero of Batavia.



Sally Geronima  
March 23, 1944.



The Hero of Buna [March 25, 1944]

Through the haze and bloody mist  
of Buna, like a fairy tale story.

There stands a shabi knight with all  
his endless glory.

He gave us light, he gave us courage in  
our darkest days.

To his indomitable fighting spirit we give  
our endless praise.

He is the Hero of Buna, the saviour of  
Australia

I need not go any further

To one and all, America's own, General Douglas  
H. MacArthur.

He is a legend to us that will forever live  
in our history

From his boyhood days to now on our road  
to Victory

They will remember him for his work  
in the Army Intelligence, as Army Chief of Staff  
For his true predictions that at once we did  
laugh.

His command of the famous Bataan Division of  
World War I will never be forgotten

As his leadership on Buna among the blood  
and sweat and all that is rotten

For his military genius, which brought him  
World acclaim

For his Flight from Corregidor from whence he has  
one aim

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LETTER FROM JAMES EARL RAY

Don't listen to those  
in court of law  
to say that without proof  
they're guilty  
to say that they're  
and that you're innocent of your crime

Don't let your name  
be used to  
mean anything - except perhaps to  
mean "guilty" to them  
with all of your guilt  
mean you are not guilty - guilty of

Don't let it be said  
that you're guilty  
that'll be the first time to be  
guilty of anything  
if I ever see you stronger  
and take to me the way you're

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that you're guilty if you want to

Love to you



(EACH MAN IS A HERO OR AN ORACLE TO SOMEBODY). Emerson.

Most Heroes are not honored by public worship until after death. I choose a living man, to pay Honor to, (General Douglas MacArthur.) To me----- He stands for every thing an American should be. " And when History is written about the present World War, I am sure, the people of America will Honor his name, the same as they honor George Washington's name today.

The General is a Graduate of West Point Military Academy, and began his Army service in the Philippine Islands in 1903. In World War No.1. he was Commander of the famous Rainbow Division, and has won many decorations, for his courage and bravery. The General is a man of great Spirit and Fortitude. It is these characteristics, that endear him to his men. They know he will not let them down, because Great General that he is, he remembers that he was a Man first. Therefor -- he understands what his Men must go thro, in order to be Victorious. He has faith, and knows what he is fighting for. And he imparts that knowledge to his Men. Army men from every State in the United States would proudly fight under his Command, just as their Father's did in World War No.1.

I believe, his abiding Faith in God, America, and all Mankind, will enable Him and His Men, -to bring Freedom, Love, and Understanding, to a Nation that was betrayed. And I, as a grateful American, pray God, to give the General and his Men, Health, Faith, and Courage, to carry out their great mission so that once again, "Our Nation", shall be free of all Tyrants.

Mabel Darrell

March 1, 1945.

March 22, 1944.

General Douglas MacArthur:  
Allied Headquarters,  
S.W. Pacific.



Dear General MacArthur:

As a humble citizen of these United States, allow me  
Dear Sir, to Congratulate You, on Your Glorious Victories, in the Pacific.

Mother's Prayers are being answered daily. I, Sir,  
have no Son to give to this War. ( I have only a Grandson, 14, who is a Boy  
Scout). But I consider every Man at the Battle- front, My Son, ---- for They  
are fighting for My Freedom.

I was in an "All American" Contest for nine months.  
A year ago this month, the determining feature of this Contest, was to write  
an Article on Hero No.1. ----- I wrote an Article about You. ----- I was not  
a winner. ( I have not as yet found out who was chosen as Hero No.1.) I  
could not understand why after nine months of time and money, I was a loser.  
Today Sir, I know the answer. I am enclosing a copy of the Article, so that  
You and Your Men may know, that contrary to all reports, there still are loyal  
people in these United States, who are working in Your behalf, to help rid  
this Earth, of the little yellow devils, who betrayed us.

To me Sir, You are still "Hero No.1. And I hope some  
day, when this dreadful mess is over, to have the Honor of shaking Your hand.

May God continue to bless You, and Your Men, and help  
You bring a Total Victory to Our Country.

Sincerely,

*Mabel Davall*

Mrs. R.E. Davall.

1679 New York Ave.

Huntington Station.

Long Island

New York. U.S.A.

J. L. DASHIELL  
41 NORTH ST.  
Stamford, Conn.

March 22-1944

General Douglas MacArthur

My dear General



Knowing no other way to  
communicate with you, I am  
sending this in care of the  
San Francisco Post Master.

I want to convey to you  
on behalf of myself and  
every one I know, the  
great confidence we repose  
in you, and to say that  
the American people at  
large are back of you,  
and no influence, either  
Administration or otherwise  
can shake that confidence  
and admiration.

Respectfully yours

J. L. Dashiell

Retired  
Formerly Asst to V.P.  
DuPont Company  
Wilmington Del.





UNITED STATES ARMY

2E 604, The Pentagon,  
Washington, D. C.  
March 21, 1944.

General Douglas MacArthur,  
Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area,  
APO #501, c/o Postmaster,  
San Francisco, California.

Dear General MacArthur:

I would like to add my congratulations to those of your many friends upon the occasion of your latest decoration.

And at the same time I want you to know what a pleasure it was seeing you again during my recent visit to SWPA with General Osborn. Then, as during my trip to your theater in 1943, I found it a thrilling inspiration to talk with you, and to get at first hand your views on morale and the work in which we are engaged.

We have already seen most interesting evidence of the things which your new Information-Education Branch is accomplishing in SWPA. Certainly we shall do everything possible from this end to expedite the activity.

General Osborn and I have seen "Dexterity" and we thought that it was an excellent job. Dramatic and complete as it is, however, it gives only a glimpse of your many accomplishments.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

HARRY A. BERK,  
Major, A.U.S.

New York Times Overseas Weekly, Vol. 1, No. 30 (March 1944) filed  
in newspaper collection

March 21, 1944



General Douglas MacArthur,  
Commander in Chief,  
Department of War.

Dear General MacArthur:

I attach herewith the first copy of the  
New York Times Overseas Edition to be published here.

Without your aid, as well as approval,  
this publication would not have been possible and I am sure you  
know that I am deeply appreciative of your understanding of my  
problem.

Sincerely yours,  
Frank L. Buehler  
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HOME OF THE WICHITA BEACON

# The Wichita Beacon

EVENING AND SUNDAY MORNING  
M. M. LEVAND, President

WICHITA 1, KANSAS

March 20, 1944



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Sincerely yours,

*Louis Levand*  
Louis Levand, Publisher  
THE WICHITA BEACON

ll/vw  
Enc.

[\* See over ]





RALPH L. THOMAS  
2600 Pickens St.  
Montrose, California

Mar. 19 - 44

General and Mrs. MacArthur:

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Personal





with appreciation and  
admiration -  
may God bless  
both of you and  
yours -

Ralph Thomas





3 Kennerley St.  
West Hobart.  
TASMANIA.

19-3-44

General Sir Douglas MacArthur (B)  
C. in C.  
S.W. Pacific Area.  
Australia.

Sir: Heartly Congratulations! from  
an old admirer, on fresh  
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Some are born to them, others  
have them thrust upon them —  
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latter class you most certainly  
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was enabled to advise you  
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award — fore-runner of further,  
future distinctions awaiting  
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Soldier and a Man! God Bless you!  
Yours respectfully,  
Geo. M. Lobban (74)



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Thanking you again,  
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est regards

I remain

Yours sincerely  
E. G. Massey





Sydney March 18<sup>th</sup>, 1944.

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Lottie Drucker  
2875 DECATUR AVENUE  
BRONX 58, N. Y.



Friday March 17th, 1944.  
General Douglas MacArthur  
Australia

Kind Sir-

I am the Mother of three sons  
in service

Perhaps I shouldn't be writing  
this note but I have always  
admired you and your sincere  
war efforts.

Now that my son Herman, 84th  
Eng. Avn. Bn. - A.P.O. 503, - is  
under your command I feel  
comforted.

Of course we miss our boy very  
much, the same as all parents  
hope and pray our boy and all  
the boys will be home with  
their families very soon.

Wishing you and your family  
good health and good luck. Respectfully  
(Mrs.) Oscar Drucker

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CARE PRIME MINISTERS LODGE CANBERRA

GREETINGS AND THANKS TO GENERAL MACARTHUR ON THE SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF YOUR ARRIVAL IN AUSTRALIA

... PATRICIA MALLOY 4 DUNCAN STREET MAROUBRA BAY

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"Their Yesterday makes possible our Tomorrow"  
(General Mac Arthur, Canberra 17/3/44)

" -- -- -- -- to die -- -- ---" Honage.

Strive well, my son ! you are become the Nation's child  
To wager all your strength of youth and spirit - your pulsing core -  
To tear dark Tyranny from out the sky, and hurl it screaming to the  
Void;  
That Light and Beauty once again shall live !

Strive well, my son! nor spare the time to ponder your happy Yester-  
year,  
It blossomed fair that you might hand to weaker men their sure  
Tomorrow.

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Sleep well, my son ! you scarce had time to waken,  
'Ere Duty framed the lovely task of bleeding for His Kingdom.  
While still you battled for the Truth aloft, the stars beyond bore  
witness to your Faith,  
And as you thundered down - all striving ended - they flung themselves -  
- a Cross - upon your breast.

Sleep well, my son ! the sting of parting faded.

He who ordained your so proud Yesterday will doubly sanctify your  
shining morrow !

March 18th 1944.

*Beatrice Falkner*

as I have used General MacArthur's idea as inspiration may I  
have his permission to use his words as ~~the~~ title.

*B. Falkner.*





GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR



:: Dinner ::

*An Honour of*

*General Douglas MacArthur,*  
*Commander-in-Chief, South-West Pacific Area.*

♀

ICED ROCK MELON

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GRILLED SCHNAPPER

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ROAST CHICKEN

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FRUIT SALAD AND ICE CREAM

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DESSERT      COFFEE

♀

17th March, 1944.

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GENERAL MCARTHUR ARMY HQS  
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GREETINGS THIS DAY YOU ARE OUR RISING STAR

GOD BLESS YOU

J J MEEHAN MEMBER HARBOUR BOARD

9 50AM



threatened by an invader.

You have served your country whenever she needed the services of stout-hearted men. You served without thought of reward. But if God is just and if the American people are grateful, your reward will come — must come.

Whenever I see your picture in a newspaper or in a newspaper, or in a window-display, you strike me as being a man of destiny. There is something about you that radiates confidence and courage and I catch these from you.

A couple of years ago, I worked with a fellow by the name of Fred Willing. He was a Staff Sergeant <sup>in your office</sup> under you when you were Superintendent of West Point. He caught the same feeling about you then. Your gestures, your words, your decisiveness can never be blotted out of his memory. Best wishes for a quick and decisive victory.

Sincerely,  
William Goldberg



308 West 90th Street.  
New York 24, New York  
March 15, 1944

General Douglas MacArthur  
Commanding General  
United States Army  
South West Pacific Theatre

Dear General:

Today, as you know, is the birthday of another famous American General, Andrew Jackson — his 177th birthday. When the War of 1812 broke out, General Jackson volunteered with his 2500 men (of his state militia) and was given command of the department of the South. Jackson captured Pensacola, without orders on November 6, 1814. And on January 8, 1815, Jackson won a great victory at New Orleans. In 1825, the General, then popularly called "Old Hickory" was elected President of the United States — which he had served so well when her very existence had been

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Because Democracy,  
Brings us Liberty,  
Always we will be,  
World's best Army.

by EIC. M. T.  
U.S. ARMY  
30 JANUARY, 1943





- ✓ F. FRITZIE ZIVIC (U.S.A.)
- ✓ D. EM WACKERLIS (Greenland)
- ✓ REBEL PAUL (France)
- ✓ OSSIE HARRIS
- ✓ OVIDIO CUCCARINI (Geneva, Switzerland)
- ✓ STEVE BELLOISE
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- ✓ TONY "CIOLA" MARTIN
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- JACKIE COOPER
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- CHARLEY BURLEY
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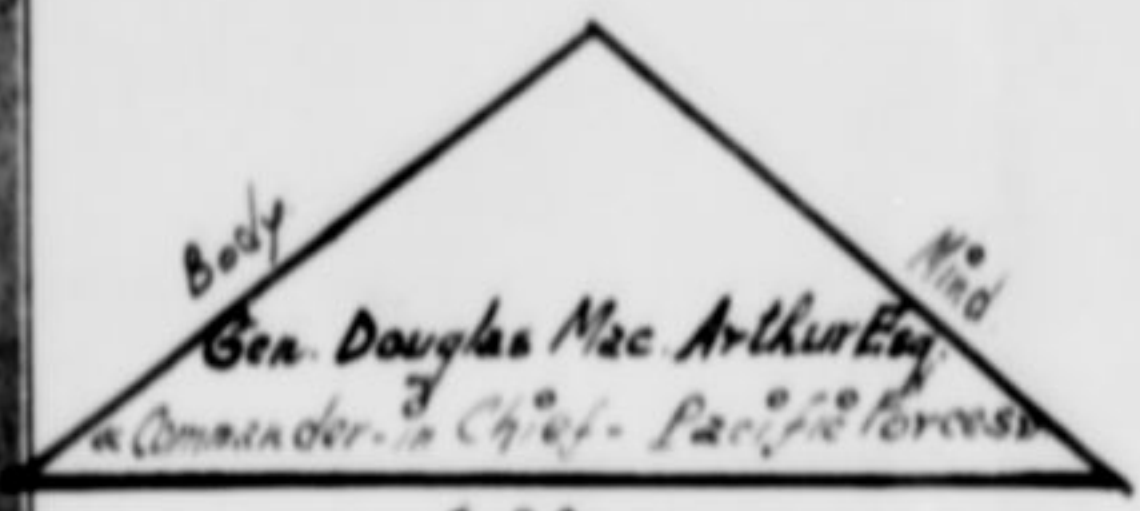
*Milo to the rescue 5/6.*

**M LO THEODORESCU**

Student New York School of Music  
Arthur T. Cramin, Director

SAXONIA HOTEL  
26 West 61st Street

New York City, ... *March 15, 1944.*



*My Dear Sir,  
My Dear Mr. General,  
God Bless You, to be extraordinary strong,  
to destroy, soon, all the Japs.*

*all the nazis-japs,  
all, are criminals;  
and they must die, all,  
and their countries, too.*

*Not more Japan and not more  
Germany, in this world, again.  
God Love it very much, they to be  
destroyed, soon, completely, with, all.*

*God Bless you,  
God Bless The President and Mrs. Roosevelt,  
God Bless Everybody You Love, too, Forever.  
Very truly yours, for Victory,*

*M. Theodoreescu Milo to the rescue 5/6.*



HOME OF THE WICHITA BEACON

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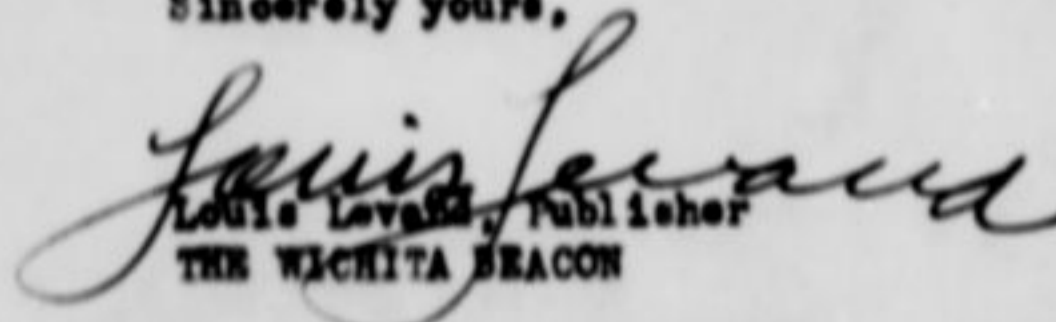
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THE WICHITA BEACON

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8 March 1944

Colonel R R McCormick  
The Chicago Tribune  
Chicago, Illinois



Dear Colonel McCormick

The latest reports show that our Infantry is taking casualties far in excess of its proportionate strength.

It is surprising - and disquieting - that the public fails to appreciate the role the doughboy is playing. The man in the street follows the war on maps, in newspapers and magazines, and on the screen. He watches a little black line that moves forward, bends around mountains, splits at the edges of swamps. He knows that the progress of that line is the progress of the war. What is not called to his attention often enough is the fact that the little black line is the Infantry.

The army makes, and must continue to make, tremendous demands upon the courage and endurance of its footsoldiers. They are doing a magnificent job on all fronts, but it must be disheartening for them to feel that people at home have so little idea of the dangers and difficulties that are their daily lot. That is why I think that we must do everything we can to foster public recognition of the Infantry, the front line fighters whose only picture in the paper, too often, is the little black line on the map.

I am writing (not, of course, for publication) to a few influential men in American journalism to ask their help in dealing with the situation. May I count on you to call the attention of your foreign correspondents, editors, copyreaders, and feature writers to the desirability of giving the Infantry specific credit for what it is doing in winning this war? We should like to see the word Infantry (and the nickname doughboy) in foreign dispatches and headlines and editorials. We should like to see the word Infantry used wherever the actions of Infantrymen, whether individually or in the mass, are described. I believe that such a practice, once established, will be of incalculable value in maintaining Infantry morale.

Sincerely  
L J McNair  
Lt. Gen. U.S.A.  
Commanding



March 11 1944

Dear General McNair

I am distressed to learn from your letter that the infantry is taking casualties far in excess of its proportionate strength. I had hoped the army had learned a lesson from the last war. Certainly General Summerall preached it with great thoroughness when he was chief of staff.

The dispatches from the Pacific report the gallantry of the troops -- mostly of the infantry -- with great thoroughness.

The lack of reports from the Mediterranean is not the fault of the newspapers but first, of the Federal Communications Commission which has refused to allow Press Wireless to operate from that theatre. There has been a continued bottleneck on news dispatches ever since the army landed in Africa, secondly the fault of censorship. There was no lack of description of the heroism of the troops in Africa or in Sicily, but since General Wilson has taken command, the censorship has been as stupid as it has been arrogant. It is obvious that there has been a great deal to cover up in bad generalship, altho, of course, it does not cover it up. The failure of the operation speaks for itself.

Without mentioning your name I will have the substance of our correspondence published in the Tribune in the hope that it may help to remedy the situation.

Yours sincerely

Lieutenant General L. J. McNair  
Army War College  
Washington, D C

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THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE

March 11, 1944



Dear General MacArthur

It is just like you, with all your difficulties, to find time to lend me a helping hand.

While I think the very extent of the forces attacking me is an asset, certainly the support of outstanding soldiers who have known me for twenty-five years is enormously encouraging and helpful.

The enclosed correspondence between General McHair and me gives an idea of the cooperative management in the two areas.

Sincerely yours

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Robert H. McHair".

enclosures-

General Douglas MacArthur  
WAR DEPARTMENT  
Office of Chief of Staff  
G.H.Q. A.P.O. 500  
care Postmaster  
San Francisco, Calif.

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TELEGRAM



CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 24 February 1944.

GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR  
WAR DEPARTMENT  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

THE AMERICAN CITIZENS OF SERBIAN DESCENT AND OF THE SERBIAN EASTERN  
ORTHODIX FAITH GATHERED AT THEIR DIOCESAN CONGRESS IN CHICAGO WISH  
TO EXTEND TO YOU AS THE COMMANDER OF OUR PACIFIC FORCES, AMONG WHOM  
ARE MANY OF OUR SONS, THEIR HIGHEST ADMIRATION FOR YOUR GALLANT  
LEADERSHIP

THE SERBIAN EASTERN ORTHODOX DIOCESE OF THE  
UNITED STATES AND CANADA, BISHOP DIONISIJE.

WAR DEPARTMENT

BUREAU OF PUBLIC RELATIONS

WASHINGTON



AG GEQ FILE NO. 335.18

26 February 1944

SUBJECT: Congratulatory message from the Serbian Eastern Orthodox Diocese.

TO: Commander-in-Chief  
Southwest Pacific Area  
Brisbane, Australia

Attention: Public Relations Officer.

Inclosed is a copy of a congratulatory message from Bishop Dionisiye, Bishop of the Serbian Eastern Orthodox Diocese of the United States and Canada.

*Stanley J. Grogan*  
STANLEY J. GROGAN  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Deputy Director

Incl.  
cy of msg fr  
Bishop Dionisiye.



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*[Faint, illegible text, possibly a list or report]*



GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

ROUTING SLIP

FROM AG 9 Mar 1944

TO:

Commander-in-Chief \_\_\_\_\_  
Chief of Staff \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy C/S (1) \_\_\_\_\_  
G-1 \_\_\_\_\_  
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G-3 \_\_\_\_\_  
G-4 \_\_\_\_\_  
Adjutant General \_\_\_\_\_  
Antiaircraft Officer \_\_\_\_\_  
Engineer Officer \_\_\_\_\_  
Signal Officer \_\_\_\_\_  
Surgeon \_\_\_\_\_  
Public Relations Officer (2) \_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Regulating Officer \_\_\_\_\_  
Hq Comdt \_\_\_\_\_  
Aides \_\_\_\_\_  
  
DC/S - AG - USAFFE \_\_\_\_\_  
Comdr. ALF \_\_\_\_\_  
Comdr. ANF \_\_\_\_\_  
Comdr. AAF \_\_\_\_\_

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*Jms*

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9 MARCH 1944

CC:neb



CABLE IN THE CLEAR

BISHOP DIONISIJE  
SERBIAN EASTERN ORTHODOX DIOCESE  
CHICAGO ILLINOIS

HAVE JUST RECEIVED YOUR FINE MESSAGE AND EXTEND SINCERE THANKS AND DEEP  
APPRECIATION TO YOU AND MY SERBIAN COMRADES STOP THANKS WITH ME HAVE COVERED  
THEMSELVES WITH GLORY AND DISTINCTION

MACARTHUR

OFFICIAL:

B. M. FITCH,  
Colonel, A.G.D.,  
Adjutant General.



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11/21/43 Memorial

38TH DIVISION ARTILLERY

United States Army



APO 9195, 90 PM-SF.

December 17, 1943

Dear Chief:

Just a word to send my very best wishes to you on your 64<sup>th</sup> birthday this coming January 26<sup>th</sup>. I hope this finds you in the best of health. I also hope this coming year will see you called to duty in the highest office. The people are fed up with this regime and you stand in their high favor.

Incidentally, when I see you I shall tell you of some amusing but nevertheless disparaging efforts by one in the SWP who is intimate with the Navy.

Again my sincere congratulations and my affectionate regards to you and Mrs MacArthur.

With all friendly sentiments  
Sincerely  
W. R. Gruber

General Douglas MacArthur  
HQ S W Pacific  
Melbourne, Australia

9 March 1944.



Dear Bill:

Thanks a lot for your fine birthday note.  
It brought back memories of past and happier days.  
Better come out and join us here. We need good  
gunners.

Cordially,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

General W. R. Gruber,  
A.P.O. 9198,  
c/o Postmaster,  
San Francisco, California.

Editor, The Journal

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March 8, 1944

Russians, Chinese, Indians, and others.

With Stassen as a running mate MacArthur would have at his right hand an adept in American politics; the young Governor of Minnesota who did not hesitate a moment to give up a powerful political office in exchange for the uniform of his country and a place in the forefront of the battle.

The next Republican National Convention can nominate MacArthur and Stassen. Their deeds in the face of the enemy, their profound knowledge of the conduct of war, and their thorough training in the art of government will make powerful appeal to the American people.

Respectfully,

(Signed) HENRY BRECKINRIDGE

HB:VD

COPY

HENRY BRECKINRIDGE  
39 BROADWAY  
NEW YORK CITY -6

TELEPHONE DIARY 4-0793

CABLE ADDRESS: HENBRECK

March 8, 1944



Editor  
The Journal  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Sir:

A suggestion to Republicans.

For President: Douglas MacArthur  
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## MacArthur for President

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March 7, 1944.  
"One day nearer to Victory".

General Douglas MacArthur,  
South Pacific Headquarters,

Dear General MacArthur:

You are the kind of President we want  
and the great majority of this NATION.

When you be nominated, you will be  
elected. - When elected, you will bring a great mind, and  
a great heart, a great capacity and a great devotion to the  
proud leadership of a great Nation.

We feel that you are a man of des-  
tiny, - God bless you and God save you for our Country.

With warm personal regards and  
best wishes,

Faithfully Yours,

Edmund J. Horwath,  
Executive secretary and treasurer

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P.S. We just opened large offices in the old Murray Hill  
Hotel, and have your large picture in five windows facing  
Park Avenue on the ground floor and you ought to see the  
crowd around it.

**G**ROWING signs point to the fact that the American people would like the opportunity to vote for Douglas MacArthur as Republican candidate for President of the United States in 1944.

Polls, letters and editorials attest the steadily increasing demand for the man who expresses all that America has lost and hopes to regain at home and abroad.

The hero of Bataan cannot be suppressed even by the multiple efforts of the White House to divert opinion from him, such as the appointment of a British Lord, named Mountbatten, cousin of the King, to supersede him in the command of our men in the Asiatic theatre of the war.

In personality and experience, MacArthur represents American interests and Americans have come to sense that these interests can be best furthered by electing him President, by virtue of which office he would become Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy of the United States.

Today we are fighting a war—the greatest in our history. Vital military problems confront us on various fronts throughout the world. Additional problems concerned with our part in the post-war world will arise. There is no one who can more ably lead the nation in the settlement of these problems than MacArthur.

MacArthur led the Rainbow Division in the last war. What more need be said? After that he became Chief of Staff of the United States Army.

He was in command in the Philippines while the New Deal administration was permitting the sale of our scrap iron to Japan. His army fought to hold these islands against Japan after this same administration had failed to give him the help he had constantly asked for as judicious military preparation for what he contemplated would happen and which finally did happen; namely, an attack by Japan.

He and his few American and Filipino troops held out against enormous odds in Bataan. They were not de-

feated by the Japs, but by hunger. Congress awarded MacArthur the Congressional Medal of Honor, the highest military honor his country can bestow, for his work there. While defending Corregidor, MacArthur was ordered to Australia, where later he stopped the threatened invasion of that continent.

MacArthur combines with his soldiery qualities, outstanding administrative and executive ability. Few business men have had as extensive administrative experience, and no President ever has had as much, prior to assuming the duties of that office.

No flaw can be found in MacArthur's record. His grandfather came from Glasgow to America, studied at Amherst College, became a lawyer, practicing his profession in Wisconsin, was chosen Governor of that state, and later served as associate justice of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. He was a Republican.

His father, born in Massachusetts and reared in Wisconsin, became, at the age of 17, a lieutenant in the Union Army. He was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor and came out of the war a colonel at the age of twenty. He entered the regular army after the war as a second lieutenant and rose to the rank of lieutenant general and commander of our forces in the Philippine Insurrection. He was a Republican.

Douglas MacArthur was born at Little Rock, Arkansas, while his father was stationed there in the Indian wars. He is the son of a charming and gracious mother, a member of an old Virginia family. He was appointed to West Point from Wisconsin. He became cadet captain and was graduated at the head of his class. He was immediately ordered to the Philippines where he served under his father. He later was ordered by President Theodore Roosevelt to serve, along with his father, as military observer with the Japanese Army in the Russo-Japanese war. Shortly thereafter he was appointed Aide-de-camp to Theodore Roosevelt in the White House.

He won distinction in the World War under General Pershing as commander of the Rainbow Division. He married Jean Marie Faircloth, a talented Tennessee girl of Irish ancestry on April 30, 1937, who has presented

him with a son, named Arthur after his distinguished grandfather. He is a Republican who can trace his Republican line, unbroken, back to Lincoln.

General MacArthur has a magnetic personality and is an effective speaker. He is a born leader of men—the type of man that a mother wants her son to become. His character and viewpoint, as well as his vision, are illustrated by a statement made by him when he became commandant of West Point in 1919. He said:

"Until the World War armed conflicts between nations had been fought by a comparatively small fraction of the population involved. . . . It became evident, due largely to the elaborate and rapid methods of communication and transportation which had grown up in the past generation that national communities had become so intimate that war was a condition which involved the efforts of every man, woman and child. Changed conditions will require an intimate understanding of the mechanics of human feelings, a comprehensive grasp of world and national affairs, and a liberalization of conception which amounts to a change in the psychology of command."

General MacArthur repeatedly urged before Congressional Committees the necessity for preparing for future wars. Meanwhile he set about reorganizing West Point in order to keep that institution in step with rapidly changing conditions.

Lieutenant-Colonel Roger D. Alexander, on the staff of General Pershing in World War I and for many years a professor at West Point, said:

"I think General Douglas MacArthur is the greatest man I ever knew. I was here at West Point while he was in command as our superintendent. He is a born statesman as well as a great soldier. . . . He was the quickest thinker I ever met—quiet, courteous, dignified—with a keen, penetrating mind. He reached his decisions instantly, after all the witnesses had spoken, and his judgment was always right."

Thus by tradition, ability, character and experience, both as a military man and administrator, General Douglas MacArthur is eminently qualified for the office of President of the United States.



GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR





While I understand your burning desire to re-take the Philippines, I also realize at the same time that you may have a bigger and better job to do on the home front if conditions continue along the trend that exists today.



The Fourth Term problem is going to be one of the greatest issues in American history and though I am convinced it will not become a reality, I still think we have to organize and muster all of our big guns, of which I consider you one of the largest, in order to be prepared to use them if necessary.

All I suggest is that you keep an open mind.

Give my best to Dick Sutherland.

Kindest regards and every best wish to you and yours.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Curtis', is written below the word 'Sincerely'.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur  
APO 500, c/o Postmaster  
San Francisco, California

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EDWARD V. HICKENBACHER  
NEW YORK CITY

March 4, 1944



My dear General

I am asking my good friend Colonel Victor Bertrandias, who is in the States on furlough, to carry this message to you on his return.

I have watched with great interest the marvelous progress you and your forces have been making since my visit in December, 1942, and all of this in spite of the fact that I know you have been limited with equipment and men.

This condition will, I hope, be relieved at an early date for the sake of everybody and give you the opportunity to really achieve your ambitions and fondest hopes.

Since being in the South West Pacific, I have been in North Africa, India, China, Russia, England, Iceland, Greenland and the Aleutians.

In other words, I have been fortunate enough to have visited nearly all the fighting fronts in the world and was just behind the village of Kursk, between Belgorod and Orel, on the Russian front last July when all hell broke loose.

Frankly, the Russians are the only people that are really "all-out" in this war of survival and are doing an unbelievable job.

However, I am getting away from the reason for writing you, which is primarily to tell you that you are growing rapidly and consistently in stature, in the minds of the American people.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

6 March 1944



For "YANK DOWN UNDER"

The proposal to withhold a part of the pay of American servicemen is apparently causing anxiety and dissatisfaction among our soldiers and sailors. When this was brought to the attention of the spokesman at General Headquarters he said:

"There is not the slightest chance that the pay of American service men will be lowered or withheld. General MacArthur would be utterly opposed to such a move. He is known to be an advocate of an increase in the pay of Australian service men to bring it up to a basis of equality with their comrades in arms of the United States."

San Antonio, Texas  
Jan. 29, 1944

Gen. Douglas MacArthur  
U. S. Army, Commanding U. S. Forces  
In the South Pacific

Dear General:

Herewith enclosed is an editorial from the San Antonio Express of recent date. No doubt it will interest you as it concerns your 64th birthday and activities in the South Pacific; very complimentary to say the least.

I served with you on various occasions with particular reference to the school year of 1908 - 1909 at the Mounted Service School at Fort Riley, Kansas, in the engineering department of which you had charge and under Brig. Gen. Walter G. Short, the father of scientific horsemanship in the U. S. Army.

The military and civilians alike are greatly pleased at the way you and your troops are hitting the Japs; at your grand strategy, your superb activities, at your determined and never-ending aggressiveness. It is hoped that your efforts may become faster and faster, bigger and better and end in complete success.

Best wishes and good luck.

Sincerely your friend,

*C. E. Hawkins*  
C. E. HAWKINS





3 March 1944.

Dear Hawkins:

Thank you very much for your cordial note of January 29 and your good wishes.

It was good of you to send it and to write as you have.

San Antonio was my boyhood home and I remember it with the deepest affection.

Faithfully,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. C. E. Hawkins,  
San Antonio, Texas.

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# Al Chymia Temple

ANCIENT ARABIC ORDER NOBLES OF MYSTIC SHRINE  
OASIS OF MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE.

OFFICE OF POTENTATE

December 21, 1943



General Douglass McArthur  
United States Army  
War Department  
Washington, D. C.

My dear General:

Al Chymia Temple of Memphis, Tennessee considers it an honor and a privilege to notify you that a Life Membership in the Shriners Crippled Children Hospitals has been taken out in your honor by Noble Sam M. Haspel, a Noble of this Temple, residing at 1302 Peabody Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee. He has requested that you be informed through this office of his pleasure.

We are very proud of our record of 645 Life Memberships in this Temple. This represents a membership of approximately 30 per-cent of the Nobles of Al Chymia Temple who are on the Ladder of Baby Smiles. We know of no better way in which one can be honored than this creation of a memorial to our friends and loved ones which lasts throughout all eternity and shall during that time continue to benefit and gladden the hearts of those courageous little children with twisted limbs and warped bodies. Al Chymia Temple considers it an honor indeed to have your name on it's Honor Roll. A beautiful certificate suitable for framing will be sent you under separate cover.

Sincerely yours in the Faith,

*Dr. Charles C. King*  
Dr. Charles C. King  
Potentate

CCK:EC



4 March 1944.



Dear Dr. King:

I have just received your letter of December 21st, notifying me of my life membership in Al Chymia Temple of Memphis. I have a feeling of real distinction in entering this fraternal body and have under separate cover written a note of appreciation to Mr. Hespel.

If I survive this campaign it will be my hope at some future time to meet the members of Al Chymia Temple.

Very cordially,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Dr. Charles C. King,  
Potentate, Al Chymia Temple,  
Memphis, Tennessee.

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Bldg



450 WEST SECOND STREET  
LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY

January 26, 1944

Dear Douglas: -

Affection and the best of good <sup>will</sup> to you

on this your birthday.

Time moves on, I see my own in

the 10<sup>th</sup> of last October -

I have evidence that you have thought  
so much - in this sketch of Cagat's slow -  
Obit & funeral, also a clipping from Time.

You have worked under a terrible handicap  
in your assignment - But popular demand  
keeps the sending you more material for  
Campaigns, also some personal.

It gives me the greatest pleasure, I think  
of the past, of the present, & some of the future in your remarkable  
participation for leadership in every sense all  
phases of life, but especially for military  
leadership - In that you are the tops of all  
Commanders in our history.

You have now and always my heartfelt  
interest and genuine affection.

Faithfully yours,

General Douglas MacArthur  
Major U.S.A.F.

George B. Deane



3 March 1944.

Dear George:

I was so glad to receive your letter of January 26, which has just come to hand. Mails, like so many other things in the military set-up, seem to be worse now than in A.E.F. days. You know, without my saying so, how much I appreciate your kindly and generous messages. From no one else in this world could I appreciate them more. Our long comradeship has given you a place of affection in my heart which is exceeded only by the ties of blood relationship.

From the very beginning we have had a hard time. No resources and no supplies made the situation precarious from the start. I have done the best I could with what I had but no commander in American history has so failed of support as here. We have come through but it has been shoestring stuff.

With affection and regards,

Faithfully,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Major General George B. Dimean,  
450 West Second Street,  
Lexington, Kentucky.

Upon that Rock now lie our brave,  
A rising sun flies o'er their grave;  
They lie and wait for that day when  
Their flag will proudly rise again;  
They kept their faith till dying breath,  
Alas, Bataan! oh, march of death!

Those men of Bataan, alone, unafraid,  
We owe them a debt that can never be paid;  
They gave their lives in a mighty endeavour,  
They will live in the heart of a nation forever;  
Grant life anew, they'd die again,  
Valiant, bold MacArthur men.



J. W. Cosgrove  
March 3, 1944

Alas Bataan



A rising sun from hell that day,  
Infamous murderers stalking their prey;  
They came without warning and struck, then fled,  
And left in their wake brave dying and dead;  
They tread a step they cannot retrace,  
And lost an honor they cannot replace.

To bring the world within their sphere,  
They conquered the weak in a vast bloody smear;  
They swept out with fury, fire, and thunder,  
Rendering our sacred peace asunder;  
Treacheroously feigning accord and then  
Striking the world's most noble men.

They struck at those isles far out in the sea,  
Defended by men who loved to be free;  
With star and striped banner and freedom their cry,  
Ever ready to fight, ever ready to die;  
Here a new chapter of history began  
With these brave fighting men of immortal Bataan.

This once peaceful isle now a vast sea of red,  
Its people now fighting or wounded, or dead;  
Our men overwhelmed, their backs to the sea,  
God! how they fought for the right to be free;  
The wounded and dying had comforting care,  
For angels in khaki braved all to be there.

Death lurked in shadows, behind every tree,  
And no sign of help from the air or the sea;  
Relentless attacks by a foe ever stronger,  
The few against many could hold here no longer;  
So escape from Bataan, to the Rock in retreat,  
Thoughts of delay but never defeat.

Were screaming and thundering of bombs everywhere,  
Death from the land, from the sea, from the air;  
Freedom's defenders now weary and worn,  
Battered and feverish, bleeding and torn;  
Heavy the crosses they willingly bore,  
Life they held dear but loved freedom more.

Bravely they fought the thunder and flame,  
Praying for help that never came;  
Oh how they tried to reason why,  
Their country left them there to die;  
Too late to help, so far apart,  
This tore your country's mighty heart.

They faced the full fury still holding their ground,  
A prayer on their lips as they used the last round;  
No food and no water, the end now in sight,  
Against thirst and famine a man cannot fight;  
With tears on their cheeks and farewell to the dead,  
They raised the white flag to the blue overhead.

(continued)

1815 Mulford Ave, N. Y. C.  
March 2, 1944

Dear General MacArthur:

I am enclosing a few thoughts in rhyme that I have dedicated to you, your officers, and men who made the heroic last stand at Bataan and Corregidor.

Any thoughts I would now like to express seem to be all contained in the poem; except that I would like to say that I share the confidence of every American that you will soon return to Bataan and Corregidor on your way to final victory.

We wish it no more than those who are in the hands of the enemy. How they must wait for that day.



Sincerely yours in admiration,  
John W. Cosgrove

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122 East 82nd Street,  
New York, N. Y.,  
January 26, 1944.

My dear General MacArthur:

Before your next birthday I fully expect that you have not only been able to keep your promise to return to the Philippines but are well on your way to Tokyo.

Your brilliant operations give life to the slogan "That the possible is accomplished at once; the impossible takes a little longer".

I pray for your continued success and safe return home and a long life in which to enjoy the high honors due you.



Most sincerely yours,

*Arrar*

General Douglas MacArthur,  
Australia.

TND cm

3 March 1944.



Dear Derrah:

Thank you so much for your birthday note which has just reached me. Mails are even more unreliable in this war than in the last. You know, without my saying so, how much I appreciate your generous letter.

From the very beginning we have had a hard time out here, with no resources and no supplies, making the entire set-up most precarious. I have done the best I could with what I had but no commander in our history has so failed of support as I have in the Southwest Pacific. We have come through but it has been shoestring stuff.

My best regards to you, Tommy, and to your family.

Faithfully,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Brigadier General Thomas W. Derrah,  
122 East 82nd Street,  
New York, N.Y.



I do hope you will excuse the  
liberty of a humble admirer.  
And I'm sure my true friends  
with me in wishing you  
continued success

In concluding let me once again  
express my heartfelt gratitude to  
you and your Army & Navy  
hope it won't be too long before the  
dreadful battle is won and peace  
is restored once more.

Yr very best friend with you  
Always  
Yours Sincerely  
An Admirer.





The North every minute and hour  
of the day, and night. We were  
waiting to be over run with the Japs.  
I never want to go through those awful  
times again. It is a very wonder,  
we are so grateful to you, my dear  
Army. It was strange that as  
soon as you took over, I had no  
more fear but implicit faith  
that you would drive them back  
O Can you imagine my gratitude  
when I read of all the  
Victories you are getting

Gavin  
2 March 1947

General MacArthur

Dear Sir



I am taking the liberty  
of writing this to congratulate you  
on your wonderful achievement in  
the Pacific

I am a very thankful person.  
I simply can't express in words  
my gratitude and appreciation  
for what you are doing.

In February 1942, things were  
pretty terrible for us up in

March 2nd, 1944

General MacArthur  
Supreme Commander in Chief  
Allied Forces in the Southwest Pacific

My dear General:

Congratulations to you and your General Staff for your recent and glorious Victory over the Admiralty islands, which is the most astonishing results yet achieved by any Supreme Commander of our present days. You have gone a long way down the history of the world to your many Victories and have inflicted many losses to our enemy by saving the lives of a great number of U. S. men and Allied as well through your strategic moves, because of which today these men stand firm and ready to follow your glorious path to Victory and complete liberation.

By your strong faith in the Lord and who is your sold guide you will continue to bring decisive blows to our enemy.

It has been two years since I have written you and have informed you of Aunt Genevieve, who served under your dear father in the Phillipines campaign, she had known you to be resolute as your father and hence she predicted your success.

Today the eyes of the world look straight at you and especially those of the Phillipinos whose hopes are greater in you to be liberated again as your father did, and are eager and ready to join you in your battle at large.

I pray that our Lord will be with you in every path you take and direct you in all your problems and to hasten the day of Victory in bringing final defeat to our enemies.

I salute you my dear General and may God give you the strength you need.

As ever your servant,



Cpl. Maurice M. Jiji, 39231507  
42nd General Hospital  
APO 923

*Cpl. Maurice M. Jiji*

**MACARTHUR'S VICTORY.**

Gen. MacArthur's announcement that Americans under his command have forced a landing on the Admiralty Islands and seized the strategic air strip there was glorious news. The old master has done it again.

The Japanese still occupy nearly all of New Britain and all of New Ireland, but these positions are now a liability to them. The landing fields at Buna and Kavieng have been rendered useless and with them all or almost all of the Japanese planes available for their defense. The ports are tightly blockaded by sea and air. The Japanese can take supplies to their 20,000 soldiers marooned in the Bismarcks and the Solomons only at the greatest risk and in the small quantities that can be carried by submarine.

Gen. MacArthur can now direct his forces toward the Philippines, with assurance that the enemy will not be on his flank or in his rear. The campaign which has achieved this result is surely the most brilliant that this war has seen and it surely is destined to take its place in the textbooks as a military classic.

When Gen. MacArthur took over the command in the Southwest Pacific, the Japanese were warning the Australian government to get out of the war while the getting was good. The enemy was pushing across New Guinea, which guards the northern approaches to Australia. MacArthur's first effort was to halt the advance, a feat which he accomplished with hastily assembled forces within gunshot of the coast.

A less self-confident general might have abandoned New Guinea as hopeless and a less aggressive leader might have rested on his laurels. MacArthur chose to attack. He drove the enemy over the Stanley range and while doing so gave every encouragement to his air commander, Gen. Kenney, to devise the remarkable system of air transport which played so large a part in the victory.

The most remarkable aspect of the campaign is that it has been fought with a minimum of resources and with a minimum of casualties. MacArthur had to achieve by ingenuity and maneuver because he had nothing to spare for a war of attrition. His victories have, accordingly, seemed to be easy ones, but in fact they represent a triumph over an enemy force probably superior in numbers and certainly at the start of the campaign superior in resources and position. More than that, MacArthur has been conducting offensive operations at immense distances from the source of his military supplies and in a region where climate, terrain, and endemic diseases present unparalleled obstacles.

Gen. MacArthur must feel a great satisfaction at having turned the tables against his enemy. He has now done to the Japanese in the Bismarcks what they did to his little and ill-equipped army in the Philippines. He has shown such high skill and such a capacity for leadership in this campaign as to merit the command of all forces in the war against Japan. The American people can only wonder why this honor was given to him as the best means of bringing the war to a speedy conclusion.



The Chicago Tribune  
Tribune Tower

J. LOY MALONEY  
MANAGING EDITOR

March 2, 1944



Dear General:

Col. McCormick was anxious that you  
see the enclosed editorial.

May I take this opportunity to thank  
you for your efforts in behalf of news for the  
soldiers in Australia? As an American citizen  
I congratulate you on your many victories and  
your progress toward Bataan and Tokyo.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

*J. Loy Maloney*

General Douglas MacArthur,  
American Headquarters,  
Australia

# Signal Corps, United States Army

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1 MARCH 1944

TO : GHQ SWPA (MACARTHUR)  
FROM : WASHINGTON  
NR : 4752 1ST



STAFF AND STUDENT BODY ANSOL JOIN ME IN WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS AND ADMIRATION FOR BOLD AND DECISIVE ACTION IN THE ADMIRALTY OCCUPATION ALL GOOD WISHES FOR FUTURE SUCCESSES TO YOU AND YOUR COMMAND

J. L. DEWITT

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STEPHEN H. SKON  
REALTOR

March 1, 1944.



General Douglas MacArthur, USA  
Headquarters - Southwest Pacific

Dear General:

As an American Citizen, I am very proud of you and your doings in the southwest Pacific.

I just read in the Nassau-Daily Review-Star of your Sixth Army entrapping 50,000 Japs. I think this is a marvelous job and only a man such as you could accomplish such a feat.

May God Bless you and keep you because our country needs a man such as you.

If by any chance you can reach Station WINS, N.Y. over your short-wave, please be good enough to listen to my radio program on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 2:05 to 2:10 P.M. EST and on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 5:55 to 6:00 P.M. EST.

Very truly yours,

*Happy Steve Skon*  
"Happy Steve" Skon

SNS:djb



Bataan



From the batteries of Corregidor, away to Subic Bay,  
Fight dauntless men, tenacious men, through weary, aching days.  
With faith empowering victory, from the fox holes of Bataan,  
A man of God limns history, in the wilds of Luzon.  
To men of God no cause is lost, staunch souls will carry on,  
Emblazoning a challenge in the miracle of Bataan.  
Wherever banners are unfurled, where faith in God soars high,  
One word shall circle all the world, Bataan the bugle cry!  
Thermopylae and Valley Forge, Dunkirk and Waterloo,  
Gettysburg and Flanders Fields, salute Bataan's brave hue.  
Lafayette and Joan of Arc—can balled sing their due --  
John Paul Jones and Kelley, salute a Douglas too.  
Wherever epic deeds are sung, wherever freedom's song,  
Immortalised in every tongue: Bataan, Bataan, Bataan!

— Dorothy E. Franke



2615 Montclair Avenue  
San Diego, California  
March 1, 1944

General Douglas MacArthur  
MacArthur Headquarters  
New Guinea

My dear General MacArthur:

A soldier of the cross! In how many American hearts rests this comfort that our first soldier is first a soldier of the cross. Many a boy must be putting his hand in the hand of God, any doubts or hesitancy quelled by the knowledge that to MacArthur, Christ is the great and only enduring reality.

The enclosed verse was written when you were in Bataan. I feel we have not rallied sufficiently to that brave and epic struggle as a challenge, as a battle cry. To those who fought with so little we owe so much.

Though confident that you could carry a presidential election, I am also confident that to you the Philippines (the living and the dead) is a trust, a loyalty you will give your all to.

Very sincerely,

  
Dorothy E. Franke

Cincinnati, Ohio  
March 1, 1944

General Douglas MacArthur  
Somewhere in the South Pacific

Dear Sir and Comrade:

The National Order of Trench Rats, an organization within the Disabled American Veterans and the membership consisting of disabled men who have contributed something outstanding to this organization (DAV) or to the individual Disabled American Veterans.

This organization (The Trench Rats) Dugout #26 National Order of Trench Rats is a part of Cincinnati Chapter D.A.V. of which organization you are a life member. We are mindful of your many qualifications.

The National Order of Trench Rats Dugout #26 unanimously approved a motion to extend to you a life membership.

We know you will cherish your membership in our organization and may God be with you and your troops and bring you a speedy victory.

I remain in comradeship,

*Raymond Ridge*

Raymond Ridge, Red Eyed Gnawer  
Cinti. Dugout #26  
National Order of Trench Rats  
2840 Melrose Avenue,  
Cincinnati, Ohio



THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT No 1797

GENERAL DOUGLAS MacARTHUR

IS A MEMBER OF THE

National Order of Trench Rats

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OHIO

in CINCINNATI

Dept. of OHIO



Sector of

a Membership

D. A. V.

June 30, 1944

TRENCH RATS

MEMBER'S SIGNATURE

ROBERT W. RIDGE  
RED EYED GRAY

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PRIVATE  
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