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14 Jan 72

Dear Mom and Dad,

~~Received your letter dated 3 Jan 72
yesterday. Before going into what's happening
let me comment on the money. First, of the
grand total \$2500 was for our car. I said
the books were ordered 3 years ago from the
public, and I had no idea that they
would ever come. Did among the things
which I told you to keep the tape recorder
and we would make tape. Dad, and you
could tape things at home and send them.
Fourth I said I was leaving the combi-
jungle books at home because I had 7 pairs.
I felt, if my accounts are low, why not
pay Bank America and let it off on monthly
payments for a couple months to get the
balance in the account build up as we
would with the credit cards? Don't don't forget
that there is no such thing as charging things
here. Everything must be paid cash. On
living expenses in Vietnam are several times
higher in Bangkok. We had to buy a lot
of things for the house which we didn't have.
Having joined at the public house, I had to~~

~~got new clock. The Hawaii car was
 to come and go - everything out. I have
 to go to Honolulu 5 days next week.
 I don't see anyone here naturally in
 winter. I don't see the kids and the children
 but don't see the kids. The Bank is in
 my way. I don't know. We changed
 the hotel both in Hawaii and Japan. I don't
 know. You don't travel for a long time. We
 will be buying some more things for the
 house when you feel like it. I don't know
 bank revenue is OK. I'm not getting upset
 but under the circumstances for past 3
 months I don't feel we did all that bad.
 In addition while home I lost the 252 extra
 we got in Laos. I don't know if this.~~

You please send the walnut - if not to the
 pillow

No keep the pine cone for a while we want
 them for Christmas.

We have lots of pictures of Christmas. In one of
 my letters I asked how you wanted them?
 I guess I'll send all the photos rather than

just 4th night. Also have 2 films (comics).
~~Drive on air freight didn't arrive in time we~~
~~had not time except the toy one I had for them~~
~~last year in Christmas. We just stayed home~~
~~for Christmas.~~ Thorne's relations came over for a
while. Sunday we had a party for Christine -
all Christine's cousins and Jack Wellbourn's children.
Christine put on her usual show - stood her hand
in the middle of the birthday cake. She walks
around if you hold a rather she holds your finger
but she won't try much by herself yet. The
pump both coming in in front don't look too good.
Chris not even but not as an angel to the one
next to it. Thorne and his sister had been
(Thorne had his pulled) teeth like that. The one is
just coming out - maybe 1/2 out. She is finally getting
some hair. When Thorne got his miza she started
fixing baked rice potatoes and carrots together
with miza for Christine. Now she won't eat the
vegetable food! She loves eggs and baked
rice and porage, watermelon etc. Also eats
bananas like a monkey - but not in nest! Loves
Coke and can drink a can out of the little
2 handled cup you (s) gave her. I will have

Some trouble keeping her in her playground. The
3 months it was in & how she was used to be
held most of the time.

~~On air freight was packed up. First~~
~~I guess Mother's took it for 2 months before~~
~~sending it. I'd never see the appropriate~~
~~crack any more stuff up there. The in~~
~~turning the original left for 2 days or so.~~
~~and "disappeared". Actually, I packed it~~
~~was a 200 lb. crate and was packed~~
~~up the night before that day. Then Pan Am sent~~
~~me a bill for \$134 and said the crate actually~~
~~weighed 600 lb, not 510 as Mother said.~~

Copies of the cat's weighing and photos of the
crate showing SW stenciled on the crate were
sent to Pan Am by USDAO and they said
didn't have to pay (I mean USDAO said that).

Pan Am hasn't answered yet.

I bought a little cartage for \$1.75
last week hoping my writing would be
better than with a ballpoint. But I guess
it's even worse!

Flame and I drove down to the PX

in bed on last Saturday. Our kitchen is set up -
is you have to go outside the house to get into
the kitchen and Phoebe had wanted a little
~~fridge~~ refrigerator (?) for wind. Is very stuff
in for Christmas at night - one for her etc. they had had
some \$47.00 over by Phoebe (?) but ~~that~~ ^{we} don't see
got a Phoebe for \$89. Paid used to make a check.
We still have \$300 in T.C. So I'll try to use
them up. We were saving them in case we go
on a vacation the year but we can use them now
and save bank money with no problem. We
may get a chance to talk a something for the house.

~~I don't know where you got the money
yet had anything to do with it. I am back
in the office in Vietnam. Presently I am acting
Administrative officer for Office of Refugee Affairs.~~

In February I will become Chief of the Refugee
Relief Council of the Office of Refugee Affairs.
Big title! I'll be back into more of the
planning and operational end of the program
on a country-wide basis. Well - getting
late. Will send photo etc Monday.

Love
Doris Raybourne

