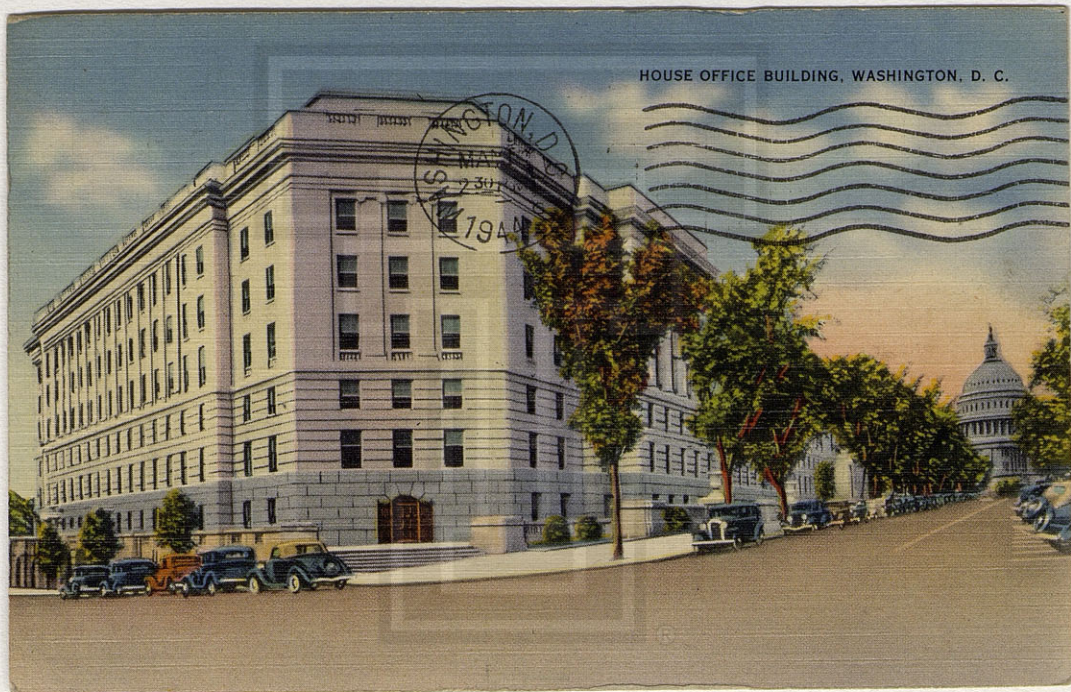


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THIS SPACE FOR WRITING MESSAGES

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Dear Mrs. Underwood,

I've been transferred to
Washington. What do you
think of that? I'm doing
interesting work & feel like
I'm more into things.

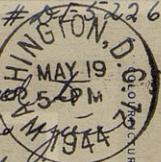
All my letters have been
returned from Charlie. I'm
correctly addressed. Please
give me his address again.

I will write more in
a letter in a few days.

Tell you all the details.

Anyway I'm still single

Love,
Jimmie



POST CARD



Mrs. E. N. Underwood
916 Park
Topeka, Kansas

TENSCHERT

E. M.

Topeka January 12th-45

Dear Elsie:

The War Dept notified us of a Radio Message which the Jap Gov't, allowed Charles to broadcast. We were also informed that Chas. has been transferred out of the Philippines which isn't very good news, just when MacArthur is 100 miles from Manila. We were in hopes, after being in Camp #1 all this time which is located about 80 miles from Manila, that our U.S. Prisoners would be liberated and I really was expecting him home on the first boat. Naturally I am disappointed and worried anew, however I believe we will hear from him more often and that our mail will reach him quicker. I hope we come to some peace terms soon and that the war in the far East will come to a nearly end.

We received a letter from St. Joe and I am enclosing a copy. Have 6 letters from California from parties who heard the broadcast, it came thru at 11.30 pm, and the letters say it was read by the Japanese announcer, also a recording which WIBW will put on their machine for me.

Charles Underwood is son of Mr. & Mrs. E. M. Underwood Topeka
I cabled him for his birthday and today receive a card acknowledging receipt of the cable. This card made a quick trip, considering the other cards were on the way from 6 to 8 months. Might be our own air planes flew the card back, or it might have come thru Russia by plane. He is in fair health and we have been told that if they lasted this long they have a good chance of returning, altho no one knows what will happen when we get to bombing Japan and finally get there. Glad you sent the paper about the fire. I feel sorry for Eva having to give up that pretty home, Where are they now? We were over the day before Xmas but could only visit Haegelin's and Andersons, time was too short. Today is Billy Beven's funeral at Muscotah and I would have gone, but when this message came just couldn't take it, as Billy and Charles were school mates together and we lived in their house.

Hope you are well and have enough fuel. Must call Allens as he always called me before when he noticed the article in the paper.

Better come over and see them before too late and write sometime,

Yours

Emma

Mrs. W. L. McKie
1435 Tenth Street
Sacramento 14, California



Mrs. E. Underwood, mother of
Capt. Charles F. Underwood (Tokio Camp)
916 Polk (?) Street
Topeka, Kansas

POSTMASTER: message enclosed from American prisoner
of war, as heard by short wave from Radio Tokio.

1425 Tenth Street.
Sacramento 14, California

January 17, 1945

Mrs. E. Underwood, mother of
Capt. Charles F. Underwood (Tokio Camp)
916 Polk (?) Street
Topeka, Kansas

My dear Mrs. Underwood:

The following message was heard by short wave from Radio Tokio on January 7, 1945, on the "Humanity Calls" program, when messages were sent from Allied prisoners of war. The message was apparently written by your loved one but was read by the announcer in English, and I hope it is genuine. I don't know if the announcer is American or Japanese.

I have been listening in steadily to these broadcasts since February, 1943, taking these messages in shorthand and relaying them to the relatives of the men interned. To date I have sent about 5250 letters, and all expenses are borne by my husband and sister. I am employed during the day and can work at this hobby of mine only at night and on weekends.

Mothers often ask me when these messages can be heard. The message programs on Radio Tokio are as follows: "Humanity Calls" at 9:00 p.m., which is repeated the next day at 11:00 a.m., and "The Postman Calls" at 11:30 p.m., all Pacific War Time. The messages come from American, Canadian, Australian and British men on these programs. Every Saturday night, at 9:30 p.m., Pacific War Time, the "German Hour" can be heard on this same station (Radio Tokio), with messages from Americans in German prison camps. I set my pointer on the short wave dial at 9.5 for best results, but sometimes I set it at 11.75 or 12 on the dial.

I hope your loved one will soon be back with you in person, safe and sound. The message for you is as follows:

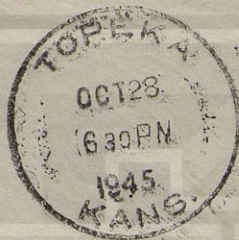
"At present I am in fair health and getting along all right. Naturally I wonder how you and all my friends are. Please tell me any news about Amarillo, Topeka and ...How are Ernest and Edith. Am I an uncle yet? I trust my allotment is in someNational Bank of Fort Sam Houston ...Tell Mr. Howard (?) John McCarty (?)...I hope to ...particularly give my best to Jim, who I trust is still in San An...As you know, letters and pictures ...my fondest hope is that we will be together again soon. Love, your son.

Sincerely,

Mrs. W. L.)

Cecelia McKie
Cecelia McKie

May C. C. Underwood
916 Polk
Topeka, Kan.



Miss Jimmie Sullivan

5431 N. New Braunfels

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Air mail