

Oct. 8, 1944
India

Dear mother & Dad,

Don't be shocked at my new home. Get out the map and chart the course just to see what interesting waters I've sailed through.

good even though the first appearance was a rather dirty one. The currency isn't as complicated as some English colonies, but I have an idea I'll not be purchasing even a souvenir casting one rupee (22¢)

The day ^{not} we arrived, mail arrived on board and I heard from Mary Taylor, who is in France, also from Marcia & Buddy. Oh - Paul mentioned the fact that I shouldn't be discouraged if the rotation policy was so slow. I'm not going to worry about the slowness because the last rumor was - no more rotation. Naturally, I understand the transportation facilities & many other things but don't feel yoursey - the election has had something to do with the deal. Buddy is still a F.D.R. man, but right now, I don't agree. Sorry I didn't vote but at the time I thought I couldn't since I had never registered. Later I discovered that it wasn't necessary overseas to be registered.

Marcia said the book of poetry hadn't been purchased. There is no necessity to rush but I do want to start a library of my own. Remember - I'm paying for these requests - if I don't, I don't want them.