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From envelope 6 28-44
Lt (j.g.) R R Towle USNR
USS Wasp
c/o Fleet P.O.
San Fran, Calif.

6/29/44

Dear Dean Bonney:

The P.T.C. College news of June 1944 just arrived in a letter from my mother. It was decidedly on the pleasant side to carefully devour each word printed thereon. It was especially good news to learn that P.T.C. is only hibernating for the duration - dreaming for the greater P.T.C. of tomorrow.

A brief list of my present duties is as follows:

Dishwashing Officer for USS Wasp

Supply Duty Officer - every fourth day

Coding Board Watch Officer

Supply Dept. Educational Officer

Income Tax Officer for USS Wasp

Insurance Officer

Service Record Board Officer

Auditor of Navy Mail Clerk's Daily Business

Mail Censor (every tenth day)

Compartment Inspecting Officer - every fifth week

Sack artist

Bridge platter for CIC Team Three during my turn while at GQ or in contact areas. This job is the best by far. I have to plot

location of Jap + friendly planes for the Captain on bridge. Has been (& will be) "hot duty."

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My two sons, Dick & Doug, are doing splendidly. My chief concern is that the United Nations + later the World will have brain and spiritual power in sufficient quantities to eliminate the necessity for them to make the World safe for democracy a third time. If we could only channel a fraction of the intellectual force and praying now being expended to kill Japs & Germans into building a future world of peace — that should do the job handsomely.

"To be teaching mathematics to the suffering freshmen" — what memory that phrase brings to mind. It, in itself, is adequate — more than adequate — to give one courage to face all the Japs can muster. A fierce Jap dive bomber attack is far less devastating than those math examinations used to "block-buster" us with.

I'll be looking forward to your "wholesale" answer to this letter in the next P.T.C. College News.

Best Luck always always

DICK



A MERRY CHRISTMAS

TO ONE WHOSE THOUGHTS ARE
WITH THE **WASP**. THESE ARE OUR
CHRISTMAS GIFTS TO YOU.

1944



Dick James





MARCUS and WAKE
MARIANAS



VOLCANO and BONINS
BATTLE fo the PHILIPPINE SEA



CAROLINES and MOROTAI
OKINAWA JIMA and MIYAKO RETTO



FORMOSA



BATTLE of
LEYTE GULF



PHILIPPINES



Dick Tangle

