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Dear Sumner:

No special news today that is deserving of comment. Things are going their normal tenor. Now of course that does not mean that there is no real news, for obviously every day is agog with the war news now about to reach the crescendo of invasion. Our hearts go out to all the boys wherever they may be and we eagerly read every word of the war correspondent's story of land, sea and air attacks, hoping that each sentence spells a moment nearer to the successful ending of this Godless thing called war. On that score the news is good and heartening. We have every reason to believe that our commanding officer, General Eisenhower, about to be put to the crucial test will emerge triumphant and immortal. Under his leadership and that of his associates we cannot help but be cheerful.

Affectionately,