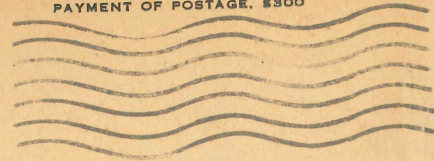


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Hiya, Folks!

You mail from one birda fallen off of late? - Don't wonder
 cause I havent written but one vmail letter since I've
 been here in rest camp. - Think that one was one week ago
 today - so you can see how the letters havent been leaving
 these parts!

Am still in rest camp - about 2 days over my leave about now - Will probably be going back about tomorrow so it won't be long before I'm hitting the old grid again - and this time I'll really be on the home stretch, I think. Our operating officer arrived a couple of days ago for rest camp, himself, and he sanctions our over-stay, so there's no real harm being done.

Yes, you're no idea of the fun and enjoyment we've had this past week - Not too much work - but everyone is on his own and does what he feels like - I was fortunate enough to meet a flight nurse (a very pretty one too) on about my third day here and never could I have found a better sport to pal around with - It seems so queer to have a feminine companion after all these months of nothing but men - Given a few more months I think perhaps I could be civilized! - She has a game of walking me down so yesterday I decided I'd beat her at her own game! We walked down almost ^{was her down!} ^{more} miles - but I usually

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Later - Love from Frank