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so that's why it all happened that way.

Well, before I get too far along with this long winded letter I'd better ask you to send the pots and pans along we packed before we left. They're on the shelf just above where the radiator comes, in the garage, if you remember. We have the girl from the country as our only servant now, and she is a pretty good cook, so I don't see why we had a cook to begin with. Please ^{send} the box over as it has two aluminum sauce pans and one 4 quart pot with a good cover. For the rice, you know when we can get it. They sure know how to hike up prices.

All this is being written on the office typewriter and if they knew they sure wouldn't like it so I guess I'll lay off now. Before I get caught, you know.

If y u can lay in a stock of dehydrated food such as soups, and so forth, I sure would appreciate it when you send us the straw hat Minnie wants. Dehydrated foods are better than canned because so much equals less weight and storage space.

We have plenty of cigarettes as I don't smoke much after my tonsillitis attack. So never mind cigarettes. But hard candy is welcome, and I guess I never need to tell you that. By the way, if you can find some of Minnie's flat shoes in the attic, she'd like to have them. Yep, the ones she was going to throw out. But she wants them now because the roads here are pretty tough going on high heels where the ground has been torn up by the raids. Guess that's enuf of the ole tuch on you, sis, so keep yourself well, and tell the kids they'd better be good in school or no souvenirs. OK?

Love

Tom



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