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MAY 27 1942

May 27, 1942

22K  
10/4/40

Dear Mr. Balbi,

I write to thank  
you for your kindness  
in letting me know  
about the broadcast  
of my husband from  
Tokyo. We have been  
separated for over

Just you and I matter  
and I feel very sorry  
to think I didn't hear  
his voice. However, I  
am glad to know he  
is alive and hope I

can send food soon.

Sincerely

Helen A. Neale

7725 Exchange Pl.  
La Jolla, Cal.

MAY 30 1942

Tokyo

May 28, 1942

409 Cleveland  
Ave

L.A.

Dear Mr. Balbi:

22K

Thank you very much for your efforts to inform me concerning my husband's message and for the radio log you enclosed. As you probably know, we heard the thrilling broadcast. I am grateful to you for what you have done for me. I think it is very fine of you to do that sort of

thing. I indeed appreciate  
your kindness.

Sincerely,

Mrs. J. W. Schwarz

ÆTNA LIFE AFFILIATED COMPANIES  
INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

To

DATE

July 1, 1942

FROM

SUBJECT

Rec.  
JUL - 7 1942  
MTCY

MTCY  
6/28/42

Mr. August Galbi  
1090 W. Kingston Rd.  
Los Angeles Calif.

My Dear Mr. Galbi,

Will you please pardon my delay, or seeming indifference, to answer your Post Card of June 21<sup>st</sup>.

It surely did give us a lot of pleasure to hear of his broadcast, that he was well on the way home <sup>we</sup> we pray that the Good Lord will protect them on their way.

More words are not enough to express the thanks I wish to convey to you for your kindness in thinking about others <sup>we</sup> we pray that God will Bless <sup>and</sup> protect you <sup>and</sup> yours.

Again Thanking you, I am,

Yours very truly

Thomas W. Early  
573 N. Bromley Ave  
Levittown Pa

ROC  
SEP 10 1942

TOKYO

HAWAII

9/8-42.

Mr. August Balbi:

Dear Sir:- Yours of Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>  
rec'd. this day.

Robert Caldwell. My son.  
Was serving with Marines  
on Wake Island. is interned  
at Shanghai China: have  
written to him. But have  
not rec'd. from him.

We also have a package  
aboard relief ship which  
has not cleared from Frisco.

Thank you very much for  
your kind interest in our  
& our sons behalf. Truly  
hope the war ends soon.

Respectfully yours

H. P. Caldwell

613-4<sup>th</sup> St.

San Francisco -

Calif.

Over.

Should you wish to drop Bob a Card his address is  
he is 18 yrs old - in service 6 months when Captured  
your return  
add. if Room it - } in Place of  
not Place on } Stamp write → Prisoner of War Mail,  
back. } Postage Free  
No Stamp.

Robert Edward Caldwell,  
Seaman Second Class.  
Formerly Stationed at Wake Island,  
American prisoner in Shanghai,  
China.

c/o International Red Cross Committee  
Geneva, Switzerland.

REC.  
OCT 28 1942

TOKYO  
No. 73

3105 Fifth Av.  
San Diego, California

October 28, 1942

my dear Mr. Balbi:-

I thank you for the information regarding my young son, John Sever Allen. I had been informed some months ago that he had been taken to Shanghai and I have received one letter from him -

I do appreciate your kindness in sending the card - I have since moved to the above address and someday you may hear his voice and will let me know -

Thanks again and good luck to you -

Sincerely

(Mrs) Lillian R. Allen



Re  
MAY 15 1943

Tokyo

Wickenburg Ariz.

5-12-43

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Your message in regard  
to brood about J. H. Hammond  
rec. and am sending it  
cord on to Mable Hammond  
I am his mother and thank  
you so very much. have  
sent letter thro Red Cross  
in Geneva and on V.A.  
New York. Thanks again.

~~Mamie~~

Mrs R. W. Hammond  
18-321 - Wickenburg  
Ariz.

6/4/43.

Mrs. Wm J. Buckalew  
626 Temple Av.  
Long Beach, Cal.

Dear Mr. Balbi,

Many thanks for your  
card, telling me of the message  
from my son Donald.

The message was  
repeated in the evening and  
my husband and I heard it over  
a local radio station.

Everyone has been so  
kind in writing me of the  
message and I greatly appreciate  
it as it is the first word that  
we have had from him since war start  
ed.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Wm. J. Buckalew

Tokyo  
9/6

JUN 5 - 1943

re Earl J. Meredith, Ass. Cook U.S.S. Houston.

Mrs. A. E. Askey  
11.23 King St.

JUL 2 - 1943

JUL 3 - 1943

San Bernardino, Cal  
July 1 - 1943.

Mrs. August Balbi -

Dear Mr. Balbi -

I am writing you in regard to my son, Earl J. Meredith, who was in the U.S.S. Houston. I heard through a friend last Mrs. Black that you might be able to give me some information as to whether or not he was one of the boys whose names had been released, who were taken prisoners by the Japs. The Government is still carrying him on the missing list, but that is all we have been able to find out. He was assistant cook in the Houston and we have heard a number of times that quite a few boys were taken prisoners. Any information that you can give me will be  
(over)

greatly appreciated - Do you  
know any thing of the  
bays that were taken in the  
Philippines -

Sincerely yours

Mrs. A. E. Askey -

1123 Spring St.

San Bernardino  
Cal.

TC  
JUL 6 - 1943

2883 Mountain View  
San Bernardino  
Calif

Dear Mr. Balbi

I have just received your card asking if A. R. Black was my son no I have no son in the Navy all my family are prisoners in Manila six of them so you can have some idea how I would receive any news of them I wish I could help you in locating the family of A. R. Black, news like that of your loved ones that you had thought lost gives one a new lease on life & something to fight for. I hope the day isn't far off when all these place on the Pacific Coast will all be free & the little yellow skunk back where they belong. The silver lining is beginning to show on every front, please God soon the lights will be on again all over the world. Carry on your good work & may God Bless you & yours thanking you again for being interested in me & mine

Yours very  
Sincerely  
Sarah Black

JUL 22 1943

July 20 - 43

469 CLOVERDALE L.H.  
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Dear Mr. Balbi

Received your card and I want to thank you very much for the information about my husband's message. I've received many letters about it and have the message quite complete.

I remember hearing from you when my husband sent a message previous to this. It's grand to think that you are doing such fine work for people who don't have the facilities to get these messages direct.

Thank you again for your kind interest. Sincerely

Mrs. Jack N. Schwartz

—≡ THANK YOU ≡—

July 29<sup>th</sup> 1943

746 Church Ave.

Chula Vista

California

Dear Mr. Balbi

I thank you very much  
for sending me message  
received over short wave  
from Java from my son  
John A. Campbell a prisoner  
of war. Not having heard  
any thing for over a year

JAVA  
JUL 31 1943

you will know how I felt  
on receiving word he was  
alive and well. It seems he  
was captured in Burma. We  
~~the~~ do not know if his  
plane was shot down or  
if they captured the air  
field, but one of the boys  
who went down to the  
South Seas with him returned  
and said the last time he  
saw him he was running  
for the hills of Burma to  
get away from the Japs.



I certainly thank you for  
this message, and wish  
you luck in receiving your  
broadcasts.

Sincerely

Mary M. Campbell  
(Mrs) J. A. Campbell

P.S. My son trained over at  
the field in Glendale.  
I thought this might interest  
you to know.

6/27/43

Recd JUN 22 1942

MTCY

Dear Mr Babbi -

I want to thank  
you very much  
indeed for relaying  
to me the short wave  
message from Manchuria  
which was recently picked  
up.

It was from a young  
man (Wijon Edvard) who  
is the son of a close

friend of mine who formerly  
resided in Springfield Mo  
and later in Oakland Calif  
He was connected with the U.S.  
Embassy at Tokyo prior to the  
war and evidently had been  
interned in Manchuria

It was most welcome news  
to learn that he is OK and  
particularly that he expects  
soon to be  
home. I sincerely hope that  
nothing will interfere with  
his trip.

I am notifying the  
persons mentioned in  
your card and also others who  
will be greatly interested  
Incidentally I received similar  
notice from one other listener  
who picked up the message.  
Again thanking you and with  
best wishes I am  
Yours truly  
June 30<sup>th</sup> Mrs C R Waddy

October 25, 1944 (Wed A.M.)

OCT 25 1944

30¢ Stamps  
for 2 lugs

Dear Mr. Balbi:

A thousand pardons for not having sent you this small amount long since, when you were so kind to interest yourself so much and send us those fine radio logs of foreign stations. We did appreciate it so very much, and we hope one of these days we may be able to rig up an aerial such as you describe. I've had just an awful case of the flu, I guess, and just put everything off, so hope you will forgive us for this delay.

The mother and father of Francis Davis, the Jap prisoner, were so happy about your interest in them too, and they wanted me to thank you for them. Possibly you have heard from them too. They had a number of cards and letters, also a transcription from San Francisco, as you said they might, but the transcription was not very clear. However, possibly you heard over the radio, too, as I did (altho I'm not

Tokyo  
P.O.W.  
Message

AX. 5336  
PR. 11/2/44

relaying the information to the parents) that the Government warns not to put faith (or was it "too much faith") in radio messages from prisoners of war in Japan. I wasn't really listening well at the time, but I if I remember right that was the import of the message. Hope it isn't true.

Thank you again very, very kindly for your interest and sympathy for these war prisoners, and wishing you Godspeed and blessings in all that you do,

Very truly,

Beatrice Drino  
(Mrs. Jack Drino)

4124 Degnan Blvd.  
Los Angeles 43