## Dear Sweetheart,

Here it is new years night in Trinidad and New YEars Eve back in Kingsport. They are having a party in the Officers Club tonight but since I can't take you I don't think I'll go. It doesn't sounds like either one of us is making a very big night of it. Oh well, we can make up for it in the next year – OK.

I was sorry I got you out of bed this morning, In the letter I received today you ?? the phone Co said I would call you at 5:15. That was the first I heard of it. The phone Co is really mixed up down here. I told you they had a long strike??. Well the government took over about a week before I called you last time. Last Tuesday the base finally got telephone service to port-of-spain where the main office is. They claim everything will be back to normal in a couple of more weeks. I hope so.

I'm sending you a list of names but will have a few more after I hear from my dad.. I wrote him for them ?? first part of the month but I guess he forgot. I sent him another letter last Tuesday so I should have them fairly quick.

Believe it or not I was my usual lazy self today. After I talked to you I came back and worked on a problem I've been trying to solve. I finally got everything set up last night, so today I started plugging numbers into the equation. I should be better because after working for 6 hours I cam up with an answer of 0, which isn't what I expected. I'm going to check to make sure I didn't make a mistake. I'm going to wait until tomorrow because I have over 10 pages of numbers to check. Oh well, such is life. At least this will keep me out of trouble over the weekend.

You know honey, it won't be long till we see each other again. I think I'll start packing my bags Next week to make sure I get there on time. By the time I get to kingsport it will have been 5 months since I've seen you. It sure is going to be nice to hold you in my arms once more. Of course the best part is I won't be home to let you go this time and come back to trinidad alone.

They are starting to play music downstairs for the party, it sure makes me miss you. I keep thinking how much fun it would be if you were here.

A friend of mine just came in with a bottle of champagne. He doesn't plan on going anywhere either so I guess we will drink alone.

Remember I love you darling. I'll write you again tomorrow. I wish you were here and I was there.

All my love Larry 4.1 K VAUDINA 49N9, NAVY #117 FPO, N.Y., N.Y.



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