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Dearest Leona,

Friday night we went down to the 8th Army Officers Club at Seoul for a going away dinner in honor of F. R. Boyles who is being transferred to Hawaii. The theater commander, General I. D. White, apparently thinks a great deal of F.R. and took him with him to Hawaii. This cuts FR's tour short by a couple of months.

Was most interested in hearing the gossip via Millie Stacy that Col. Martz was punished for getting into a fight over some woman at Ludowici. Just shortly before we left Ft. Stewart he was the investigating officer in the case of another full Col. whom you know who was caught dead to rights for drunken driving by the Ga. State Police. I acted as the defense counsel for this officer and must say that Col. Martz did a beautiful job of white-washing the case to clear my client. From what I got to know of Col. M I can't say I am surprised to hear that he got himself in trouble--although I would think he would go to a better place than Ludowici to cut up.

Am glad to hear that Mr. Noell is up and around enough to have visited you with Dot.

I saw this joke which I thought you might appreciate:

"Everyone in the smart night club was amazed by the old gentleman, obviously over 70, tossing off Manhattans and cavorting around the dance floor like a 20-year old. Finally curiosity got the best of the cigarette girl. "I beg your pardon, sir," she said, "but I'm amazed to see a gentleman of your age living it up like a youngster. Tell me, are all of your faculties unimpaired?"

"The old fellow looked up at the girl sadly and shook his head. "Not all, I'm afraid," he said. "Just last evening I went nightclubbing with a girlfriend--we drank and danced all night and finally roared into her place at 2 A.M. We went to get immediately and I was asleep almost as soon as my head hit the pillow. I woke around 3:30 and nudged my girl. 'Why George,' she said in surprise, 'we did that just 15 minutes ago.' "So you see," the old boy said sadly, "my memory is beginning to fail me."

Am sorry to hear that the Ted Bookers are leaving for Panama City. It seems like all your friends are getting to be college presidents these days! Know the folks at the church will miss them.

If the movie "Top Secret Affair" with Susan Hayward and Kirk Douglas comes to Valdosta, be sure and see it. 'Tis the best movie--and one of the few good ones--I've seen since I've been here in Korea.

No special news here. Court martial work is picking up and we have been quite busy at the office and will be even busier for the next month or so.

With love,

P.S. Enclosed is a snapshot I just got from Tokyo.