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To Chaplain Karl W. Scheufler
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A.P.O. N. 512 *ALGER*
c/o P.M., N.Y.C.

From
Mrs. Karl W. Scheufler
(Sender's name)
1521 Dana Ave.
(Sender's address)
Cincinnati 7, Ohio
Jan. 20, 1944
(Date)

(CENSOR'S STAMP)

Dear Karl,

A goodly number of letters came. Your carbons made the best time. I had letters of 7,8,9(carbons) and letter of 9th with 1 franc on the 18th of this month. The two V mail of the 5th and 7th arrived to-day. The money has not arrived yet, but if it has to go thru several hands and offices it is not surprising.

Was Eisenhower your distinguished visitor? I judge from I have read that he might not be such a talkative man. I have not looked up about his church but perhaps I may come across the article again in the Readers Digest that might give me that information.

Well, I am glad to have the typewriter fixed so that I can write you. That Sunday after writing so much it broke half way thru your letter. They did not say what was the matter, some thing rather small broke. The little left lever for the carriage was partly broken after I let Elaine write for a few minutes. It cost three dollars to have it fixed.

You asked about the vase which had a chip broken at the top. It is the rough red vase. I think I can get it stuck on again when I once take a little time to work with it and a few other things that need attention. It is not urgent so I put it off.

The franc notes certainly show a very beautiful scene. You must have been in a beautiful place when you lived near it. However, if you live in a still more beautiful spot, (as each one seems more beautiful than the one just left) you must be among the mountains or on a high plateau with hills around. If you were issued plenty of blankets, and you sleep in your sleeping bag and you have cold feet sometimes, I guess you must be rather high in elevation. But where? I don't know except I think you are in Tunisia. Your circuit for services must be quite a long one. Perhaps you are having more of a thrill than if you were stationed in just one spot like at a base hospital, or some other place where you would not have the variety which you have. I guess they thought that you, (a much traveled man) might be equal to this kind of work. Who really believed that you would have so many months in a place like N. Africa, and not be so far from action, and yet not have very much of it.

Will you have a change again in commanding officers before so long because of the rotation of officers?

Marian Anderson sings to-morrow night at Taft. Aud. I would like to hear her, but will not attempt to go out again this week. She is here for the benefit of the Stowe Memorial. Enough money has been raised to make the Harriet Beecher Stowe Memorial a fact, by buying the property.

There were a few over 200 at the Leadership School on Mon. I was in Stinson's Class. Instead of reading Barclay's book which is 9 yrs. old, we can use Hutchison's "From Victory to Peace". I shall get it to read.

I only heard Bishop Kern and Sockman on Tues. eve. Both were excellent. Topics were "The Coming Peace and The Prince of Peace." Last night at Official Board and S.S. Board meeting more definite things were taken up concerning the Bishop's Crusade.

I will let the letter.

V --- MAIL

rest go until my next
Love, *Ada*
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Adressé à Chaplain Karl W. Scheufler en Algérie
de son épouse à Cincinnati le 20 janvier 1944.

L'Airgraph Service permettait d'assurer, d'une manière plus sûre que par la mer, le volumineux courrier des et pour les combattants (il était valable dans les deux sens) ; de ce fait, il était considérablement réduit, le poids du fret aérien, un simple film de 1700 lettres, ne pesait que 160 gr. Il y avait des boîtes spéciales où l'affranchissement de 3 \$ était payé. Le pli était acheminé sur le centralisateur spécial chargé de procéder à la rédaction sur des films de 16 mm., puis transportés par avion aux USA ou en Algérie.