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MASTER SERGEANT SAMUEL F. (TERRY) BABBITT, SON OF PEGGY FISHER BABBITT, HAS BEEN IN KOREA WITH THE ARMED FORCES SINCE NOVEMBER 17TH. THEODORE (TED) BABBITT, HIS FATHER, SENT TO YE EDITOR ON FEBRUARY 20 THE FOLLOWING EXCERPTS FROM TERRY'S LETTERS. TED WROTE: "HIS REGIMENT LANDED AT WONSAN, ON THE EAST COAST OF KOREA, ON NOVEMBER 17TH, AFTER A COUPLE OF MONTHS IN JAPAN, SAW A CONSIDERABLE BIT OF ACTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE MARINES AND THE 7TH DIVISION, AND ACCOMPANIED THEM OUT OF THE HUNGNAM PERIMETER. THEY LANDED AGAIN AT PUSAN, AND HAVE SINCE BEEN MAKING THEIR WAY BY EASY STAGES NORTH AND WEST, UNTIL THEY ARE NOW IN THE LINES AGAIN IN THE CURRENT FIGHTING SOUTH OF SEOUL. MAIL SERVICE, ESPECIALLY BY AIR, IS QUITE GOOD, AND LETTERS TAKE ABOUT TEN DAYS IN EITHER DIRECTION. THE EXCERPTS FOLLOW:" "21 NOVEMBER, 1950. WE ARE NOW AT A LITTLE VILLAGE ABOUT 30 MILES DUE NORTH OF WONSAN. THE MARINES WENT THROUGH IN A HURRY ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO, (ON THEIR WAY IN. TB.) LEAVING THE LOCAL GUERRILLAS IN THE SURROUNDING HILLS. OUR MISSION IS TO KEEP THEM OUT OF THE TOWN AND AWAY FROM THE MAIN SUPPLY ROUTE. WE ARE SET UP IN A PERIMETER ON THE EDGE OF TOWN, AND, ALTHOUGH THE DAYTIME IS QUITE PEACEFUL, THE NIGHTS ARE PUNCTUATED BY LITTLE RAIDS. HOW LONG WE KEEP UP OUR DEFENSIVE ROLE NO ONE KNOWS." "DEC. 4, 1950. YOUR PACKAGE ARRIVED YESTERDAY, WITH CLOTHES, ET AL., AND IT JUST SO HAPPENS THAT THE DAY BEFORE WE HAD TO MOVE WITH ONLY WHAT WE COULD WEAR OR CARRY ON OUR BACKS. AS A RESULT, WE HAD NO EXCESS OR CLEAN CLOTHES, AND YOUR PACKAGE WAS LIKE A LIFE-PRESERVER FOR BOTH BODY AND MIND. WE HAVE BEEN ON THE FRONT LINE, HOLDING A POCKET FOR ABOUT A WEEK, AND HAVE NOW BEEN PULLED BACK TO REGIMENTAL RESERVE. HENCE A LITTLE TIME TO SIT OUTSIDE OUR DUGOUT AND WRITE. ALL IS COLD, BUT ON THE WHOLE, WELL. WE DO NOT KNOW IF WE WILL GO BACK UP OR BE WITHDRAWN..... I HAVE SHAVED MY MOUSTACHE, TO AVOID A FROSTED UPPER LIP.... A BANK STATEMENT ARRIVED YESTERDAY, SHOWING A NICE BALANCE. THAT'S FINE, BUT THERE IS A SAYING AROUND HERE TO THE EFFECT THAT THIS IS A HELLUVA WAY TO SAVE MONEY." "DEC. 8, 1950. WE HAVE MOVED AGAIN, THIS TIME TO WITHIN SEVERAL MILES OF HAMHUNG. WE HAD OUR COMBAT WITH THE 84TH CHINESE DIVISION, WHICH THREW TWO REGIMENTS AGAINST THE 1ST BATTALION (TERRY'S. TB) AND PRIMARILY THE 3RD PLATOON OF 'C' COMPANY, AT SAIGONI, OR SOUNDSTO THAT EFFECT. (ACTUALLY, IT WAS SAIG'ON-NI. TB) IT IS A SMALL TOWN SOUTHWEST OF THE BIG CHOSIN RESERVOIR. WITHOUT DISCLOSING ANYTHING, I CAN MERELY SAY THAT IT WAS A TOUGH FIGHT, MAW, BUT WE WON..... THE BETTER HALF OF THE SEVENTH FLEET, INCLUDING THE 'BIG MO,' IS OFF THE COAST NOW TO OUR REAR, AND OF COURSE EVERYONE HOPES THEY'RE THERE TO TAKE US OFF. FRANKLY, AS FAR AS I CAN SEE, WE ARE GAINING LITTLE AND LOSING MUCH BY WAITING HERE. I DO NOT LIKE THE IDEA OF LEAVING THE JOB UNDONE, BUT IF THE CHINESE PERSIST, WE MUST EITHER FIGHT AN ALL-OUT WAR, OR NONE AT ALL..... I REALIZE THAT I AM SOUNDING RATHER DOWNCAST, WHICH I AM NOT, BUT MERELY COLD AND TIRED..... WE JUST WHIPPED UP A CONCOCTION WHICH WE INTEND TO SELL TO CAMPBELL'S SOUP AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE MOMENT. IT CONSISTS OF ONE CAN OF 'C' RATION CHICKEN-AND-VEGETABLE, ONE CAN OF 'C' RATION BEANS, AND ONE CAN OF TOMATO JUICE. MIX WELL, HEAT AND SERVE. MMMMM, DE-E-E-LICIOUS!. TWO BOXES OF FANNY FARMER ARRIVED YESTERDAY. BOTH ARE GONE NOW, AND WE HAVE VOTED FANNY THE GIRL WE WOULD LIKE MOST TO BE STUCK IN A FOX-HOLE WITH." "DEC. 30, 1950. (WE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING CABLE ON THE ABOVE DATE. IT WAS SENT THROUGH TOKYO, AND CONSISTS OF THREE REGULATION PHRASES PICKED OUT BY THE SENDER. I BELIEVE IT IS A RED CROSS SERVICE. T.B.) 'ALL WELL AND SAFE. HAVE BEEN PROMOTED. LOVE AND BEST WISHES FOR NEW YEAR TO ALL AT HOME.' " "JAN. 1, 1951. WE HAD SOME REPORTS THAT MR. WINCHELL AND SOME OTHERS OF HIS ILK HAD CLAIMED THAT THE 3RD (DIVISION) HAD BEEN HIT HARD AND PRACTICALLY ANNIHILATED ON THE HAMHUNG-HUNGNAME PERIMETER. SINCE 'C' WAS PRACTICALLY THE LAST COMPANY OFF THE BEACH, I CAN SAY THAT THERE WAS NO COMBAT AND VERY LITTLE CONTACT EVEN WITH THE REDS. THE ONLY THING WE SUFFERED WAS WET FEET. WE MADE A REVERSE AMPHIBIOUS LANDING, ENDING UP IN PUSAN. FROM THERE WE TRAVELLED NORTH-EAST ABOUT 70 MILES, AND ARE NOW SET UP, AS A REGIMENT, IN A COLD, WINDY FIELD, TRYING TO KEEP WARM WHILE WE REORGANIZE AND RE-EQUIP OURSELVES. WE ARE TO BE READY TO GO AGAIN BY THE 7TH OF JANUARY. NO COMMENT. I WENT INTO PUSAN YESTERDAY WITH THE C.O. TO PICK UP AN OFFICER FROM THE BATTALION, BUT WHEN WE GOT THERE, HE WAS GONE AND IT WAS NEAR DARK, SO WE PUT UP AT AN M.P. COMPANY IN TOWN.. WE SAW LITTLE OF PUSAN EXCEPT THE MAIN DRAG, BUT THAT IS PRETTY FASCINATING. THE ONLY FOREIGN TROOPS WE SAW WERE TWO BRITISH G.I.'S, AND THEY ARE THE ONLY ONES I'VE SEEN IN KOREA." "JAN. 7, 1951. I'VE HAD A WONDERFUL BREAK TODAY. IT BEING SUNDAY, THEY ALLOWED FIVE MEN PER PLATOON TO TAKE OFF FOR NEARLY ULSAN. FAR BE IT FROM ME NOT TO FILL ONE OF THE PLACES, SO DON AND I TOOK OFF FOR TENTH CORPS HEADQUARTERS, WHICH IS ONLY A FEW MILES DOWN THE ROAD FROM US. HE HAS A FRIEND WHO WORKS THERE, AND WE DESCENDED ON HIM. SO FAR WE HAVE HAD A HOT SHOWER, A SHAVE, A SMALL COKE ROYAL, AND WE'VE JUST COME BACK FROM HAVING OUR PICTURES TAKEN AT A LITTLE STUDIO IN TOWN. WE SHOULD GET THEM IN A FEW DAYS, AND THEN THEY'LL BE ON THEIR WAY TO YOU. I GIVE YOU ADVANCE NOTICE: IN FIGHTING TRIM, I AM SLIGHTLY THINNER. SPEAKING OF FIGHTING, WE RECEIVED OUR COMBAT INFANTRY BADGES FROM OUR NEW COL. WEYANT, BN. CO., THE OTHER DAY. IT MAY SOUND ODD, BUT I AM REALLY AWFULLY PROUD TO GET IT. I HAVEN'T HAD A LETTER FROM YOU SINCE DAD'S, WHICH SAID YOU KNEW I WAS OUT OF THE TRAP. ALL I CAN SAY IS, DON'T BELIEVE EVERYTHING YOU READ. THE 3RD DIV. IS NOT NECESSARILY ME. WE WERE CUT OFF, BUT NOT BADLY, AND IT DIDN'T AFFECT US GREATLY." "TAEJON AIRSTRIP, JAN. 13, 1951. IT LOOKS AS IF WE'RE OFF AGAIN, BUT THIS TIME IN RESERVE. OUR ASSEMBLY AREA IS ROUGHLY AROUND CHONAN, AND I WOULD PROBABLY BE THERE NOW, STRETCHED OUT IN A FIELD AND FREEZING, WERE IT NOT FOR THE FACT THAT OUR JEEP FROZE SOLID ON US AND WE BOILED AWAY ALL THE ANTIFREEZE. SINCE THE TEMPERATURE IS ROUGHLY 3 ABOVE, THIS IS NOT DESIREABLE. HOWEVER, IT FORCED US TO STOP OFF HERE FOR THE NIGHT, WHERE WE HAD HOT CHOW AND A STOVE TO SIT BY. NOT BAD AT ALL, AND NOW A CHANCE TO WRITE." "JAN. 19TH, 1951. BY THE TIME YOU GET THIS, WE WILL PROBABLY BE SET UP ALONG THE KUM RIVER, WHICH IS SOME 30 MILES BEHIND US. IT SEEMS VERY ODD TO BE MOVING BACK AGAIN WHEN THERE SEEMS TO BE VERY LITTLE IN FRONT OF US, BUT I SUPPOSE SOMEONE HAS A

REASON FOR IT. (THEY DID NOT MOVE BACK, IN FACT, BUT FORWARD. T.B.) 'SARGENTRIVIA' ARRIVED TODAY, WITH A NICE PICTURE OF SARGENTS ON THE FRONT COVER, BUT I'M AFRAID COUSIN ZIEGLER IS TWO RANKS BEHIND AS REGARDS ME! AT PRESENT LIFE IS NOT BAD AT ALL. AS I WRITE, ONE OF THE 6 ROK'S STILL ATTACHED TO US OPENS THE DOOR AND SAYS, 'SERGEANT, FIRU SCOCHI?', MEANING, 'A LITTLE FIRE, SARGE?' I SAID, 'OK, SCOCHI,' SINCE THE FLOOR HAS ALREADY WARMED UP FROM A FIRE THEY KEPT IN THE TUNNEL IN THE FOUNDATION THIS AFTERNOON. THE 6 BOYS WE NOW HAVE ARE UNDOUBTEDLY THE BEST IN THE COMPANY, AND FOR ONE REASON; WE TAUGHT THEM WITH PATIENCE, WHEREAS ALL THE REST, AFTER THE FIRST TRY, WERE TAUGHT WITH BLOWS. WE ARE NOW REAPING THE FRUITS, AND MANY OF THE OTHERS CAN DO VERY LITTLE WITH THEM. THEY'RE GOOD BOYS, MOST OF THEM AROUND 18 OR 19, ONE OR TWO ABOUT 29-30. BUT THEY ARE INDIVIDUALS, EACH WITH HIS TALENTS AND DRAWBACKS. SIMPLY BY TAKING IT SLOW AND HELPING THEM, WE HAVE GAINED THEIR ADMIRATION AS WELL AS RESPECT, SO THAT WE CAN COUNT ON THEM AND THEY ON US! WE TRUST THEM, AND FIND IT WELL-FOUNDED, WHERE OTHERS DO NOT TRUST THEM, AND FIND IT EQUALLY WELL-FOUNDED. IT'S A LESSON MORE PEOPLE COULD STAND TO LEARN. I KNOW THAT I'LL NEVER FORGET IT." AN EARLIER LETTER FROM TERRY, DATED OCTOBER 11, 1950, FROM JAPAN IN PART IS AS FOLLOWS: "WE ARE NOW STATIONED IN THE HILLS ABOVE BEPPU, JAPAN, ON THE ISLAND OF KYUSHA. WE ARE LIVING IN ENORMOUS TENTS, AND PASS OUR TIME FROM DAWN TO DARK TRAINING SOUTH KOREAN TROOPS. THEY ARE THE ONES WHO ARE MENTIONED IN THE PAPER AS ROKS. UNFORTUNATELY, NONE OF THEM CAN SPEAK ENGLISH, WHICH LEAVES US WITH QUITE A CHALLENGE. PICTURE, IF YOU CAN, THE AVERAGE G.I. DEPRIVED OF HIS LANGUAGE, ALBEIT NOT QUITE THE KING'S ENGLISH, TRYING TO EXPLAIN TO A BAFFLED ORIENTAL THE INTRICATE WORKINGS OF A MACHINE GUN. OR, TO COME DOWN TO MY CASE, TRYING TO EXPLAIN THE PRINCIPLE OF THE NEW RECOILLESS WEAPONS, A BIT OF INFORMATION WHICH THE MAJORITY OF OUR OWN SOLDIERS DO NOT KNOW. YOU MAY WELL IMAGINE I HAVE BECOME A MASTER OF THE ART OF CHARADES. IN FACT, BY ALL THE RULES, I AM A PROFESSIONAL, SINCE I DO IT FOR PAY! THE WEATHER OVER HERE ONLY SEEMS TO REMIND ME OF THE CLASSIC JOKE OF THE TWO SCOTS PLAYING GOLF IN A VERITABLE CLOUDBURST. ONE TURNS A WEATHER EYE TO THE DIMLY SEEN MOUNTAINS AND SAYS 'THERE'S A WEE BIT O' MIST ON THE HILLS, BUT I DINNA EXPECT R-RAIN BEFORE NIGHTFALL.' OUR FATE AFTER THE END OF OCTOBER IS UNKNOWN, SINCE THE ROKS WILL HAVE COMPLETED THEIR TRAINING BY THAT TIME, BUT WHATEVER IT IS, IT COULD HARDLY BE MORE INTERESTING." TERRY'S ADDRESS IS MASTER SGT. SAMUEL F. BABBITT, RA11165922, CO. C, 7TH REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM, 3RD INFANTRY DIVISION, A.P.O. 458, C/O POSTMASTER, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

- MARCH 2 - (25TH) EMILY SARGENT PETTIT WHITNEY, DAUGHTER OF MILLICENT LEWIS PETTIT
 4 - MARGARET LYON HOLLAND, WIFE OF RUPERT SARGENT HOLLAND
 (18TH) STEVIA WARREN SARGENT, DAUGHTER OF JOSEPH WEIR SARGENT
 5 - ANNA (CHUBBY) HUNTINGTON DEMING, WIFE OF JOHN (PAT) NELSON DEMING
 7 - WILLIAM JOSEPH GOELLER, HUSBAND OF ELIZABETH (BIBBY) DEMING GOELLER
 8 - MILLICENT LEWIS PETTIT, DAUGHTER OF EMILY SARGENT LEWIS
 (2D) ALISON DEMING GOELLER, DAUGHTER OF ELIZABETH (BIBBY) DEMING GOELLER
 9 - DUNCAN LYALL MACDOUGALL, HUSBAND OF DOROTHY JOAN WISER MACDOUGALL
 10 - MARGARET (PEGGY) FISHER BABBITT, DAUGHTER OF MARGARET (DAISY) SARGENT FISHER
 (25TH) KATHRYN TULLOCH SARGENT, WIFE OF THOMAS OWEN SARGENT
 11 - ROSWELL GRAY HAM, HUSBAND OF HILDA SARGENT HAM
 ROSWELL GRAY HAM, JR., STEPSON OF HILDA SARGENT HAM
 14 - LAWTON GRISWOLD SARGENT, JR.
 17 - JOHN (PAT) NELSON DEMING, SON OF LAURA RICE DEMING
 (6TH) MARK WAINWRIGHT HINKLEY, SON OF LOUISE SARGENT HINKLEY
 18 - (25TH) PRESSLY FORBES MCCANCE, SON OF MARY (MOLLY) SARGENT MCCANCE
 21 - (2D) THEODORE FISHER BABBITT, JR.
 22 - (19TH) CHARLES FORBES SARGENT, JR.
 25 - (9TH) MARCIA BRUNE SARGENT, DAUGHTER OF RICHARD MAXWELL SARGENT
 27 - WILLIAM HODGE MCCANCE, HUSBAND OF MARY (MOLLY) SARGENT MCCANCE
 (18TH) JOSEPH PEABODY LORING, SON OF SUZANNE BAILEY LORING
 (12TH) JOSEPH DENNY SARGENT HINKLEY, SON OF LOUISE SARGENT HINKLEY
 31 - (82D) LAURA (LOLLIE) HAMMOND, DAUGHTER OF LAURA FRANCES LEWIS HAMMOND
 HOMER (BRUD) EARLE SARGENT, SON OF HOMER EARLE SARGENT

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- MARCH 8 - (13TH) CONVERSE G. AND JANE HYDE FENN
 (10TH) RICHARD C., JR., AND BARBARA LOIS SARGENT
 16 - (2D) HORACE, JR., AND ROSEMARY VARKER PETTIT
 19 - (41ST) JOHN AND ANNE (NANCY) HOYT SARGENT
 20 - (20TH) CATHERINE RICE AND ALFRED ELY PULFORD
 (3D) JOHN (PAT) N. AND ANNA (CHUBBY) HUNTINGTON DEMING

PHEBE SARGENT HOWARD, DAUGHTER OF JOSEPH WEIR SARGENT, IS ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED TO GEORGE JESPER HARDING, 3D, SON OF MRS. J. MARECHAL BROWN, OF ARDMORE, PA., AND GEORGE JESPER HARDING, JR., OF NEW YORK. PHE HAS BEEN RECENTLY DIVORCED FROM WILLING HOWARD. SHE HAS A DAUGHTER, ANNE, FIVE YEARS OLD, AND LIVES ON WASHINGTON LANE, ELKINS PARK, PA. GEORGE GRADUATED FROM YALE'S SHEFFIELD SCIENTIFIC SCHOOL IN 1940. IN COLLEGE HE WAS AWARDED BOTH A MINOR AND A MAJOR "Y" IN SQUASH RACQUETS, AND IN 1939 WON THE SQUASH RACQUETS CHAMPIONSHIP OF CONNECTICUT. HE WAS A MEMBER OF ST. ANTHONY. IN WORLD WAR II HE SAW NEARLY FIVE YEARS SERVICE IN THE NAVY AND ROSE TO THE RANK OF LIEUTENANT COMMANDER. HE LEFT THE EMPLOY OF THE SCOTT PAPER COMPANY TO SERVE IN THE NAVY AND RETURNED TO THE SAME COMPANY AFTER THE WAR. HE LIVES IN ARDMORE, PA.

ELEANOR HOLLAND ODRONIC, DAUGHTER OF RUPERT SARGENT HOLLAND, WROTE IN RESPONSE TO YE EDITOR'S QUERY ON JANUARY 11TH: "WALTER HAILS FROM NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, AND IS A GRADUATE OF RUTGERS UNIVERSITY. HE SPENT A NUMBER OF YEARS IN SERVICE DURING WORLD WAR II, THREE OF WHICH WERE SPENT IN EUROPE. HE IS NOW IN SERVICE ONCE AGAIN. FOR A WHILE HE WAS STATIONED AT THE BOSTON ARMY BASE. THIS IS WHERE I MET HIM—I WAS HIS SECRETARY. AFTER OUR WEDDING TRIP, WE SETTLED IN BOSTON, BUT NOT FOR LONG. IN LESS THAN A MONTH HE RECEIVED ORDERS TO GO TO CALIFORNIA. CALIFORNIA IS WHERE WE FIND OURSELVES AT PRESENT. WALTER IS NOW STUDYING JAPANESE AT THE ARMY LANGUAGE SCHOOL AT THE PRESIDIO IN MONTEREY. THE COURSE IS OF A YEAR'S DURATION, SO THAT WE CAN SEE THAT FAR INTO OUR FUTURE AT LEAST. WE ARE LIVING IN A COTTAGE ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF MONTEREY AND ARE DELIGHTED TO BE STATIONED IN SUCH A LOVELY PLACE. THIS IS MY FIRST VISIT TO CALIFORNIA, AND I DO AGREE WITH ALL MY PREDECESSORS THAT THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL STATE. HOWEVER, WE HAVE BOTH DECIDED THAT WHEN WE ARE AT LIBERTY TO CHOOSE OUR OWN HOME SITE WE SHALL CERTAINLY SETTLE IN NEW ENGLAND. OF COURSE, WHEN WALTER FINISHES HIS STUDIES HERE, I AM SURE ALL SIGNS WILL POINT TO JAPAN. IF THINGS ARE NOT TOO TURBULENT AT THAT TIME, I WILL PROBABLY BE ABLE TO GO WITH HIM, AND I AM CERTAINLY LOOKING FORWARD TO IT. HIS TOUR OF DUTY WILL PROBABLY BE TWO TO THREE YEARS. NEW ENGLAND GETS FURTHER AND FURTHER AWAY. AT PRESENT I AM DEVOTING MYSELF TO THE DUTIES OF A HOUSEKEEPER. WALTER HAS DONE A GREAT DEAL OF READING AT VARIOUS TIMES AND HOPES THAT I WILL TRY TO CATCH UP WITH HIM. WE HAVE BROUGHT QUITE A LIBRARY WITH US. IF YOU COULD LOOK IN ON ME, YOU WOULD PROBABLY SEE ME STRUGGLING TO MAKE A PIE, WHICH IS NEW TO ME, AND AT THE SAME TIME TRYING TO FIT IN A FEW PAGES OF TROLLOPE. WE BOTH HOPE THAT OUR FAMILIES IN THE EAST WILL TREK WESTWARD SOMETIME DURING 1951 TO SEE US. WE HAD A WONDERFUL TRIP WEST BY THE SOUTHERN ROUTE. I SAW SO MUCH THAT WAS ENTIRELY NEW TO ME. THE SOUTHWEST IS INDEED FASCINATING COUNTRY AND IS FULL OF INTERESTING FORMATIONS AND SCENERY. I SHOULD LIKE TO GO THROUGH IT WITH A FINE TOOTHED COMB SOMETIME. THIS WILL BRING YOU UP TO DATE."

PFC. JOSEPH WEIR SARGENT, JR., WHO HAS BEEN CALLED BACK INTO THE MARINES, IN A LETTER FROM CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C., DATED JANUARY 16TH RECOUNTED HIS DAILY ACTIVITIES AS FOLLOWS: "JUST TO LET YOU KNOW THAT MY 'UNCLE SAMMY' IS TAKING GOOD CARE OF US AND NOT WASTING YOUR MONEY, I'LL BRIEFLY DESCRIBE AN AVERAGE DAY FOR US. ARISE AT 4:45 A.M. PHYSICAL EXERCISE OUTDOORS IN THE DARK FROM 5 TILL 6 DAILY. THANK GOODNESS IT'S DARK OUT, THEY CAN'T SEE HOW WE LOOK THEN. A WONDERFUL LARGE BREAKFAST, OR 'CHOW' AS WE TERM IT, AND THEN AT 7:00 A.M. WE ARE READY & DRESSED IN FULL COMBAT UNIFORM, RIFLE, ETC., FOR A DAY IN THE BOOMDECKS OR WOODS, AND WE HAVE SO MANY NICE ONES AROUND US. EVERYTHING FROM BAYONET PRACTICE, THROWING GRENADES, INFANTRY TACTICS, CONDITIONING HIKEs, ETC., UNTIL WE COME IN ABOUT 6:00 IN THE EVENING. THEN SUPPER, CLEAN OUR EQUIPMENT FROM THE DAY'S WORK AND ARE USUALLY TOO TIRED TO DO MUCH ELSE BUT HIT THE HAY. THIS GOES ON 6 FULL DAYS A WEEK. SO YOU CAN GET THE IDEA THEY MEAN BUSINESS. AS TO OUR FUTURE, IT IS VERY SPECULATIVE AND CHANGES DAILY. I DO THINK THAT THE MARINE CORPS IS FIGHTING MORE OF A POLITICAL BATTLE THAN ANYTHING ELSE. THEY HAVE BEEN ALLOTTED ONLY A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND WITH ALL OF US RESERVES HAVE ABOUT REACHED THEIR PEAK. SO IF U M T AND DRAFTING OF 18 YEAR OLDS STARTS WE STAND A CHANCE OF GETTING OUT. YET THE 1ST DIVISION IN KOREA NEEDS REPLACEMENTS BADLY, AND I CAN'T SEE THE MARINES LETTING TRAINED MEN OUT. ABOUT TWICE A MONTH THEY TAKE 2 OR 3 THOUSAND MEN OUT AND SEND THEM OVER AS REPLACEMENTS. I SUPPOSE ONE OF THESE DAYS OUR BUNCH WILL GO PROVIDING THEY ARE STILL FIGHTING IN KOREA AND OF COURSE THE GENERAL WORLD SITUATION."

JOSEPH BRADFORD SARGENT (1822-1907), GRANDFATHER OF THIRTY OF US INCLUDING YE EDITOR, WROTE THE FOLLOWING LETTER TO HIS WIFE, WHO WAS PROBABLY VACATIONING WITH HER SISTER AND BROTHER-IN-LAW, MR. AND MRS. JUSTUS S. HOTCHKISS. THE WRITER WAS IN HIS SECOND YEAR AS MAYOR OF NEW HAVEN AND APPEARS TO BE A BIT FACETIOUS. "NEW HAVEN, APRIL 14/92 DEAR FLORENCE: I RECEIVED YOUR TWO LETTERS YESTERDAY AFTER COMING BACK FROM FACTORY, AND TODAY OFFICE IS NOT OPEN SO THAT I CANNOT SEE WHETHER THERE IS ANYTHING DUE YOU ON YOUR BOSTON AND ALBANY STOCK. MY BELIEF IS THAT YOU HAVE SPENT MORE THAN THE INCOME AND THAT SARGENT & CO. WILL HAVE TO SELL YOUR STOCK AT AUCTION OR ENOUGH OF IT TO GET THEIR PAY FOR CASH ADVANCED TO YOU. STILL I THINK IT IS SAFE TO ADVANCE SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS MORE ON IT AND THEY WILL SEND YOU AN ACCEPTANCE FOR SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS. YOU ARE BOUND TO USE UP ALL YOUR PROPERTY JUST LIKE ANY OTHER SPENDTHRIFT. THAT TWO OR THREE SHARES OF STOCK HAS BEEN OR WILL BE YOUR FINANCIAL RUIN. YOU ARE ALWAYS WILLING AND READY TO SPEND THE LAST DOLLAR OF IT FOR ANY GUSH YOU HAPPEN TO FIND, SOME FOOL-BOB THING, TO GUSH AT, BE IT A LAME DUCK AMONG THE TIMBUCTOO SAVAGES, A SHINING BEAD OR A GLASS BRILLIANT. YOUR NATURAL RANK IS THAT JUST A SHADE ABOVE POVERTY AND OF COURSE EVERYBODY FINALLY GETS TO HIS OR HER NATURAL RANK, OR LEVEL. IT IS 5 P.M. NOW - AND I AM AT MAYORS OFFICE IN A HURRY TO GO HOME AND DRESS FOR A DINNER PARTY FOR THIS EVENING. TA TA J. B. S. JOHN HAS JUST TELEPHONED THAT THERE IS A LETTER FROM YOU WITH A QUICK DELIVERY STAMP ON IT - I TELEPHONED BACK THAT HE NEED NOT BRING IT HERE - NOTHING OF ANY CONSEQUENCE I GUESS. YOU BETTER MAKE A LONG VISIT WHILE YOU ARE THERE. AM GETTING ALONG NICELY AT HOME."

SARGENT & COMPANY'S REAL ESTATE IN NEW HAVEN ON WHICH ITS FIRST FACTORY BUILDINGS WERE CONSTRUCTED WAS PURCHASED FOR THE COMPANY IN 1863 BY JOSEPH BRADFORD SARGENT (1822-1907). IN THE BLOCK

NORTH OF WATER STREET BETWEEN WALLACE AND HAMILTON STREETS ALL OF THE HOLDINGS OF MASSENA CLARK WERE PURCHASED. THEY INCLUDED ALL OF THE WATER STREET FRONTAGE EXCEPT THE HAMILTON STREET CORNER, ON WHICH WAS A HOTEL AND RESTAURANT CALLED THE "SEAVIEW HOUSE", OCCUPYING 92 FEET OF LAND ON WATER STREET AND 163 FEET ON HAMILTON. "J.B." WAS NOT VERY KEEN TO HAVE AS A NEIGHBOR WHAT HE CONSIDERED MERELY A LAGER BEER SALOON. AT THAT TIME OR LATER LEYERZAPF'S SELLING PRICE FOR THE PROPERTY WAS \$18,000, WHICH J.B. CONSIDERED EXCESSIVE AND DECLINED TO BUY AT THAT PRICE. AS NO PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE TOWARD ITS ACQUISITION AND AS THE FACTORY WAS EXPANDING, J.B. FINALLY TRIED INDIRECTION. HE ASKED HIS MOTHER'S YOUNGER HALF-BROTHER, PHINEAS JONES, OF ABOUT HIS AGE AND A MANUFACTURER OF CARRIAGE WHEELS AND SHOES IN NEWARK, N.J., TO MAKE THE PURCHASE. UNCLE PHINEAS MADE ALL THE NEGOTIATIONS. AT THE REAL ESTATE AGENT'S OFFICE, WHEN THE DEED WAS ABOUT TO BE DRAWN, THE LATTER BEING FRIENDLY TO SARGENT & COMPANY, URGED MR. JONES NOT TO BUY IT AND ERECT SOME ANTAGONISTIC BUILDING ON IT, IF THAT WAS HIS INTENTION; THAT IT LOGICALLY SHOULD BE PURCHASED BY SARGENT & COMPANY AND SOME TIME THEY WOULD WANT IT. THE SALE HAD BEEN MADE TO MR. JONES FOR \$15,500, AND WHEN THE DEED WAS SIGNED HE PAID WITH CHECK. AFTER MR. LEYERZAPF RETIRED FROM THE OFFICE, SATISFIED WITH THE SALE, THOUGH \$2,500 LESS THAN HE HAD ASKED OF MR. SARGENT, MR. JONES SAID TO THE REAL ESTATE AGENT, "NOW PLEASE DRAW ANOTHER DEED FOR ME TO SARGENT & COMPANY", WHICH WAS VERY PLEASING TO THE REAL ESTATE AGENT. THE DEED FROM JACOB LEYERZAPF TO PHINEAS JONES WAS DATED DECEMBER 16, 1870, AND THE CONSIDERATION WAS \$15,500. THE DEED FROM PHINEAS JONES TO SARGENT & COMPANY WAS DATED THE FOLLOWING DAY, DECEMBER 17TH, AND WAS FOR THE SAME CONSIDERATION.

OUR ANCESTOR, JOHN MAISTER (OR MASTERS) MADE HIS WILL, A LONG ONE, AUGUST 24, 1558 (PROVED JUNE 14, 1559). HE LIVED IN THE "TOWNE PORTE OF SANDWICHE", COUNTY OF KENT, ENGLAND. HIS DAUGHTER, AGNES MASTERS (D. 1583) MARRIED NICHOLAS GIFFORD AND WAS THE MATERNAL GRANDMOTHER OF ROGER SARGENT (ABT. 1562-1549). (SEE GENEALOGICAL CHART ON PAGE IN SARGENTRIVIA OF APRIL 25, 1949.) JOHN MAISTER'S WILL, QUOTED BELOW IN PART, IS GIVEN IN NEW ENGLAND HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL REGISTER, VOL. 71 (1917). "TO BE BURIED IN THE CHAPEL OF OUR LADY SAINT MARY WITHIN THE CHURCH OF SANDWICHE. TO SAID CHURCH TOWARDS THE REPARATION 20s. TO THE HIGH ALTAR OF SAID CHURCH, FOR TITHES AND OBLATIONS NEGLIGENTLY FORGOTTEN 6s.8d. TO THE POOR PEOPLE OF SAID PARISH AT MY BURIAL 40s., AT MY MONTH'S TIDE 40s., AND AT MY TWELVE MONTH'S DAY 40s. I WILL THERE BE SAID AT MY BURIAL TEN MASSES, AT MY MONTH'S DAY TEN MASSES, AND AT MY TWELVE MONTH'S DAY TEN MASSES. MY EXECUTORS SHALL BUY CANVAS AND OTHER NECESSARY THINGS FOR THE RENEWING OF THE BEDDING AT ST. JOHN'S HOUSE, WITHIN THE TOWN OF SANDWICHE, TO THE VALUE OF 20s. TO ELIZABETH, MY WIFE, £100, TO BE PAID WITHIN THREE MONTHS OF MY DEATH. MY HOUSEHOLD STUFF SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO FIVE PARTS, WHEREOF (I BEQUEATH) TO ELIZABETH, MY WIFE, ONE PART, TO PETER MAISTER, MY SON, ONE PART, TO JAMES, MY SON, ONE PART, TO JOHN MAISTER, MY SON, ONE PART, AND (TO) THE CHILD SHE IS CONCEIVED WITH ONE PART. MY WIFE ELIZABETH SHALL HAVE THE CUSTODY OF JAMES, MY SON, AND JOHN, MY SON, TILL FULL AGE OR DAY OF MARRIAGE, SHE FINDING SURETY TO MY OVERSEERS FOR THE SAME. IF SAID JAMES, JOHN, OR THE CHILD UNBORN DIE, OR ANY ONE OF THEM, THEN I WILL THAT SUCH PORTION REMAIN TO ELIZABETH, MY WIFE. TO MY BROTHER-IN-LAW, RICHARD MARTEN OF RYE, MY RUSSET GOWN FURRED WITH FOX. TO ELIZABETH, MY WIFE, MY SCARLET GOWN. TO THOMAS MAISTER, MY SON, MY COAT FACED WITH FOYNES BEFORE AND FOX BEHIND. TO PETER MAYSTER, MY SON, THE RESIDUE OF MY APPAREL. TO MY SISTER MARTEN OF RYE A GOLD RING WITH A RED STONE, WHICH LIETH IN PAWN FOR 40s. WHEREAS JOHN WORME OF LONDON DO OWE ME £30 AND UPWARDS, IF SAID JOHN WORME DO PAY HIS SISTER AGNES WORME 20 MARKS, I FORGIVE HIM THE REST OF THE MONEY HE OWETH ME. I FORGIVE JOHN BENJAMALL ALL SUCH MONEY AS HE OWETH ME. I FORGIVE ALL THOSE THAT BE NOT WELL ABLE TO PAY ME ALL SUCH DEBTS AS BE UNDER 13s.4d. SYMOND LYNCH OF SANDWICHE SHALL HAVE MY BEST GELDING. TO AGNES GIFFORD, MY DAUGHTER, £20, TO BE PAID WITHIN TWELVE MONTHS OF MY DEATH. TO EVERY CHILD THAT MY SAID DAUGHTER MAY NOW HAVE ALIVE £20, TO BE PAID IN LIKE MANNER. TO EVERY GOD-CHILD THAT I NOW HAVE ALIVE 12d. TO MY GODDAUGHTER AGNES MENEYS 13s.4d. TO MY COZEN AGNES GRYFFYN 20s. TO THE CHILD SHE NOW HATH ALIVE 6s.8d. TO JOHN SPERTE, SOMETIME MY SERVANT, 20s. TO WALTER WOODCOCKE, MY BOY, 40s. TO JEROME JONES 40s., MY OLD CLOAK, MY COTE JERKYN, AND MY HOOSE CLOTHE OF MARBLE, A GOWN OF SHEEPES COLOUR FURRED WITH FOYNES. WHEREAS I HAVE GIVEN TO ELIZABETH, MY WIFE, £100 AND THE ONE FIFTH PART OF MY HOUSEHOLD STUFF AND ALSO A CERTAIN HOUSE AND LANDS AT WORTHE, FOR THE TERM OF HER LIFE, IF MY SAID WIFE BE NOT CONTENT TO GIVE UNTO MY SONS THOMAS MAISTER AND PETER MAISTER AND MY OTHER SONS CLEAR ACQUITTANCE FOR ANY DOWER THAT SHE MAY CLAIM ON AND ABOVE £10 A YEAR GIVEN HER OUT OF MY MANOR OF STODMERSHE, THEN ALL SUCH BEQUESTS UNTO SAID ELIZABETH SHALL NOT STAND AS GIFTS UNTIL SHE HATH GIVEN THEM A LAWFUL DISCHARGE FOR HER DOWRY AS AFORESAID. RESIDUARY LEGATEES: ELIZABETH, MY WIFE, JAMES MAISTER, MY SON, JOHN MAISTER, AND THE CHILD YET UNBORN. EXECUTORS: ELIZABETH, MY WIFE, AND THOMAS COLWELL. OVERSEERS: MY BROTHER WILLIAM PAYNE OF CANTERBURY AND THOMAS MAISTER, MY SON, TO EITHER OF WHOM I GIVE 40s. AND TO THOMAS COLWELL £4. CONCERNING MY LANDS, TENEMENTS, AND HEREDITAMENTS: * * * (WE OMIT THE LENGTHY DIRECTIONS AS TO THEIR DIVISION, WITH PROVISIONS FOR MANY CONTINGENCIES.) "TOUCHING DISPOSITION OF MY PLATE: TO THOMAS MAISTER, MY SON, A GOBLET WITH A COVER, PARTLY GILT, A POTT OF SILVER WITH A COVER, PARTLY GILT, AND FOUR SILVER SPOONS. TO PETER MAISTER, MY SON A GOBLET OF SILVER, PARTLY GILTE, A POT OF SILVER, PARTLY GILT, AND FOUR SILVER SPOONS. TO AGNES GIFFORDE, MY DAUGHTER, A GOBLET OF SILVER, PARTLY GILT, A POT OF SILVER, PARTLY GILT, AND FOUR SILVER SPOONS. THE RESIDUE OF MY PLATE SHALL BE DIVIDED BETWEEN MY WIFE AND THE CHILDREN OF ME AND HER. WITNESSES: JOHN STEWARDE, CLERK, VICAR OF THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AFORESAID, THOMAS SEVERNE OF SANDWICH, YEOMAN, ROBERT REDWOODE OF WICKHAM BOROUGH, YEOMAN, AND GEORGE OWEN OF LITTLE BORNE(?). PROVED 14 JUNE 1559 BY THOMAS COLWELL AND ELIZABETH MAISTER, IN THE PERSON OF SAID THOMAS COLWELL, THE EXECUTOR NAMED IN THE WILL. (P.C.C., CHAYNAY, 27.)"