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Dear Pete:

The pressure has been such that there's been little time for anything other than urgent business. Hence the delay in answering your very interesting letter of 25 April.

The news about your impending return to this capital is most welcome as it will give us opportunity to get to know the Petersons better. I have an idea that you may wind up finding your official residence in Building 19, NSS.

Why can't I get a change to an assignment as nice and easy as the one you now have? Thirty years' continuous pressure is taking its toll so that I feel now as though I won't last the next 50 years I considered necessary to catch up on my reading, writing 'n rithmetic.

But I continue to get better. Played 18 holes last Monday after work. Admiral Jack Redman and I versus Eric Jones and Capt. T. A. Smith, USN, of JCEC. Jack and I were 4 up at the end and I took four shillings from John Bull. Last hole (18th) was played in darkness and I parred it, so from now on I'm going to play in daylight but with my "Black Night" sleeping shade on my eyes. No use in trying to follow the ball, you see, so you keep your head down. (Friedman Patent No. XYZ'51.)

Barbara's wedding last Sunday went off in fine style, the Father of the bride recovering sufficiently quickly to win those 4 bob the next day.

In the 30-day leave you'll get, you'd better practice up on your golf, as you threaten to, for I threaten to trim you.

With very best regards to Spiff and to you, and looking forward to seeing you both, I am

Sincerely,

Colonel A. C. Peterson  
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PETERSON

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Norfolk 11, Virginia  
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Dear Bill —

The army personnel people visited the college today and informed me that orders were coming out in about two weeks assigning me to ASA.

I smell a nigger in the wood pile! However Spiff and I are both happy about being reassigned since we did want to get the use of the new home in Ravenwood.

The tour here at Norfolk has been very nice:

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The work is ~~easy~~ and the hours  
cant be beat. Spiff is getting  
a complete rest mixed with  
lots of bridge and golf. I have  
been getting in some golf myself.  
The course is so level that  
walking is a pleasure instead  
of hard work.

I have thought of you  
quite often - especially everytime  
an intelligence squib appears in  
print. I am inclosing one from  
the Norfolk paper for old times  
sake. You probably have it in  
your file already. Mr Armstrong  
sounds quite pontifical!

We are asking for  
45 days leave on change of

station - hope to get at least  
 30 days - and spend it at  
 Ravenwood getting in some golf  
 etc. Perhaps we can get in  
 some games this summer if  
 you can knock off a morning  
 every now and then.

When you see Doran  
 tell him his friend Chabot is  
 going to Leavenworth as an  
 instructor. Roy will be interested  
 I think.

Spiff joins me in sending  
 the very best to you and  
 Elizabeth and hope to  
 see you again soon.

As ever

W. Peterson P.S. haven't your home address Pete