DDE/ss. 9 June, 1945.



Dear Alex:

Thank you very much for your cordial congratulations on the Allied victory in this Theater. You can well imagine my relief that the fighting and xilling are no longer parts of our problems.

Please don't ever get worried about my falling prey to the blandishment of the defeated German. I am well acquainted with their history and I most certainly hope that the world will not again make the same mistake with respect to them, that it did twenty-five years ago.

When I come back to the States I will be most tremendously busy for a week or ten days. After that my real hope is to take John and Mamie off to some quiet retreat for a short visit with them. If I can only realize this, it will make up a lot for the home life and companionship that I have missed in the last three years.

Thank you so much for sending me more cigars. Even if they do not arrive until after I have left here, they will be well taken care of until I return.

With cordial regard to you and to your brothers.

Sincerely,

Mr. Alexander Frieder Mill Street and Gardner Avenue Wilkes-Barre, Pa.