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Reith → Nora

Navy evacuated  
all women & children  
farther east.



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Dear Gramama Ream and Ida -

On Nov. 22, up here, and with Beulah as my doctor, we had our baby, a perfect girl, but not alive since around October 20 - strangled with the cord. I am very well however and expect to go home this week - As I wrote from Manila - I spent the last month down there - Beulah keeping <sup>up</sup> my morale - and hopes so I wouldn't be sure I was carrying a dead baby - The children haven't said much but I think they were quite disappointed -

The children have been so good - Nora is growing up to be quite a girl. She is very considerate and thoughtful - and is getting to be quite capable - She used to burst into tears when faced with a job of any sort - just stumped - Now she is very proud to accomplish anything - Over the phone "I'm sorry I can't go this morning I have to do my laundry work."

Fabian just had his last two troublesome teeth out. It is awfully hard to get devils over here to pull teeth. Just before, Fabian wasn't feeling so good - jaw swollen and all, but he is better now.

The nights are getting a little nippy - over here in Baguio - then the days get pretty warm as there are no strong winds just now -

We received your air mail letters alright. I didn't send any radios because we felt that with out a little explanation you might get more worried.

We are not particularly worried over here about the Japs - I guess there is more panic in the States. Maybe people work themselves into that state thru bou dome - craving excitement - sensation -

Well here is my breakfast - I can hardly face another egg. The first day in hospital I at each meal not counting the custard - and the egg out put has kept the same stride. I'll be glad to get home - day after to morrow. Love from Ruth.

Please don't write back about this. It is all over and the present is what matters.

Dear Mother.

It is over now - Not as we expected but there is nothing else we could do about it - Ruth is well and expecting to be home in a few days.

The Navy has just completed evacuating all the women and kids from the far east. The army will probably be next then the civilians - We, out here are questioning the wisdom of giving in continuously to aggressive nations - Each bit of ground we lose commercially make it harder for everyone at home in spite of what they think of it there.

The kids are all doing well - They didn't seem to mind Ruth being away for two weeks in Manila. They take such things in their stride.

We are having fine weather now after the rains, temperature low enough we use three blankets at night and enjoy wadded clothing during the day - It is good to see the way Helgas kids and Ric pick up after a week or two in Baguio. You know we have an elevation here of 5000 feet.

Give my love to all the family in your back of the woods.

Love  
Fabian