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Capt. O.W. Stewart, No. 1 Neurological Hospital, Base Post Office, Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Bill:

I was delighted to get your letter particular to get the local color of your arrival. That is the sort of thing one misses in news. I am rather curious about "Bully Beef". It never happened to come my way in the last War because I was much too well looked after. You must be in Hospital by now surely. We do not know whether the nurses have gone yet but I suppose they have. I agree with you that the time for the United States to fight for her principles of freedom is right now. I have just written an Editorial for S.G. & O. trying to express this sort of thing in some form that they would accept, and which would still appear in a sense medical or scientific. They probably will not accept it. We never hear J.B. Priestley but I should like to. I saw a report of one of his speeches not long ago. I am delighted that you have such a good group of men together, including all the ranks. I have not seen Lucie yet, but we have been away for sometime, as you know, and now Mrs. Penfield is down in the country. As soon as she gets back to town we will get hold of her. While Mrs. Penfield was in California she sprained her ankle, and it has been very slow in its repair. Curiously enough for this last month Ted Rasmussen who just went on service has been Resident. Bob Pudenz was off on his holiday. Perry Hewitt was taken ill with some kind of respiratory infection, and Harold Elliott went Overseas with Number 1. A new research fellow has come on from Cleveland, Dr. Mako, from Claude Beck. Swank & Prados have become ecstatic over their findings in birds subjected to avitaminosis, Capt. O.W. Stewart,

seeing if they can trace the anatomical changes beginning in the periphery and working inward, along the autonomic fibres. Good luck to you all. We hope the Germans miss you in their own way, we certainly do in ours.

Yours sincerely,

WP/HO