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REMARKS *You see what we're up against. Yup - Career! Thanks!*

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HEADQUARTERS
17TH ARMORED CAVALRY GROUP
Fort Hood, Texas

8 October 1952

Dear Billy:

Thank's for your letter of 21 August addressed to Fort Knox, which was forwarded to me at Fort Hood.

I am sorry that I didn't answer earlier but I have been very busy learning how to be a soldier again after those many years of staff assignments. I am happy to learn that you forgave me for failing to get in touch with you in Washington and that you will provide a portion of the fatted calf when I return to the Potomac.

It was good of you to let me know that ASFA was trying to put me on the payroll. While I enjoyed my work with old SIS and my association with you and the many others in ASA, I am trying to stay away from specialized assignments in the next few years to get back in the swing of things in Armor.

I might take a run up to Washington some time next winter if I can find a plane and I'll surely drop in on you and talk over old times.

My very best to you and Mrs Friedman.

Sincerely,

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21 August 1952

Colonel Eric H. F. Svensson
c/o Armored School
Fort Knox, Kentucky

Dear Eric:

If you did not try to phone me when you were in this town recently,* I will be sore. If you did, and could not get me, because I was out of town, all is forgiven and you can come home for the fatted calf.

The purpose in writing is to tell you privately that at my behest we tried to get our hooks onto you for a tour in this outfit. But we got turned down cold. Know anything about this? How do you feel about such a tour after Fort Hood?

My very best to you and Mrs. Svensson.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM F. FRIEDMAN
Consultant

* My personal secret agents are always on the job.

424 North George Mason Drive
Arlington 3, Virginia
5 January 1951

Dear Eric:

I was particularly pleased to receive a Christmas card from you and I think it deserves a personal response. It was good to hear from you and there's nothing I'd like better to do than talk over old times again. But I can hardly see a trip to Japan in the near future so we'll have to do the reminiscing in Washington.

You seem to be a bit distressed at having been "ripped from the Armored Force" and again assigned to G-2 business. You shouldn't be distressed—we need experienced people. Which leads to my telling you that as soon as your card came I made a proposal in the proper quarters that we try to get you assigned here. The proposal was very agreeably received and the wheels have been started in motion but just how many revolutions they'll go through before coming up against a stone wall I don't know. If only we had thought of you early last autumn! Well, don't be surprised if some query about you gets as far as your office—but I have my fingers crossed. You may not thank me at all for my butting into your affairs—I don't know how well you like Washington or our outfit, etc. Maybe I will have to wear a bullet-proof vest next time we meet!

Things are rocking along here, with considerable tension in the air. We're all working hard and doing the best we can. Your presence would certainly help fill our needs for top level experienced officers.

I've been fairly well the past few months but had a rather rough time the first part of 1950. By the middle of next month I'll be eligible to retire—but I'm going to stick around for a few years longer.

We are living in a small apartment in Buckingham. I got it through "drag", in order to be close to AHS. No sooner got settled than my own office moved to NCA—quite close to where we had our home in Chevy Chase. But we sold that in 1946, when it looked as though I'd have my office at AHS indefinitely. And so it goes.

How are all your family? Please remember me to Mrs. S. With best wishes to you all for the New Year, I am.

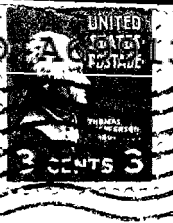
Sincerely yours,

Colonel E. Svensson
G-2, GHQ, FEC
APO 500, c/o FM
San Francisco, California

Col. E. Swenson
G. 2, GHD, FLC
APO 500 C/P M.
San Francisco Calif



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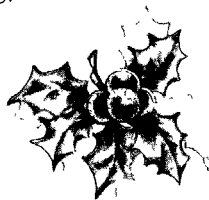
Mr + Mrs W. F. Friedman
424 N George Mason Dr
Arlington
Virginia



Dear Billy & family

Here I am supplied
from the Armed Force &
● back into the G-2
business again. Why
don't you take a
little time out this
way for coordination
your piece? Would certainly
like to talk over old

Best wishes
for Christmas
and the New Year



Love with you & mine.
Good Luck
Eric

424 No. George Mason Dr.
Arlington, Va.
4 November 1949

Col. Eric H. F. Svenssen
The Armored School
Ft. Knox, Kentucky

Dear Eric:

I guess you have forgotten all about the letter you sent me way back in September forwarding a screwy form concerning a Florence Stewart. You sent the form to the right party and I turned it over to the section where it will be properly taken care of.

It was nice to hear from you and to know that you are doing some soldiering again. I think the change will be beneficial all around and conducive to your further advancement in the military hierarchy.

I was very much disappointed to learn that you came to Arlington Hall on a day when I was away. It would have been very nice to have had a reunion. By all means when you come through here again don't fail to look me up. You won't find me at Arlington Hall because we have been undergoing some unification and I am in the Navy now or at least on Navy premises.

Your greetings to all the old hands have been conveyed to them. I am sorry to have to tell you that Johnny Hurt was retired about a year ago and is not too well. The rest are on deck and knocking their heads against bulkheads. Aye, Aye, Sir!

With my very best greetings to you and Mrs. Svenssen,
I am

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM F. FRIEDMAN

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