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37 Savoie Street, Fall River, Mass.

July 19, 1943

Dear Friends:

You were so kind to us in our hour of trial that we wish to express our deep appreciation for your sympathy and prayers. We received so many letters, cards, etc. that it is impossible for us to write to each personally as we would like to. However, we hope that you will take this mimeographed copy as a sincere expression of our heartfelt thanks.

We are thankful to our Heavenly Father that Wesley is safe and by this time should be all right again physically.

The story of his experience is too long to repeat in its entirety, but suffice to say, that on the 1st. of June he was taken prisoner by 7 Germans in a place which was considered cleared of the enemy. While a prisoner he developed an infected foot, which probably accounted for his release. (It was the intention of his captors, at the beginning to take him to Italy and later to Germany).

On the 21st, they left him alone on an island and on the 26th, he was rescued by a British Lieutenant and two sailors and placed in a United States Navy Hospital somewhere in North Africa.

The last we heard from him he was doing well and expected to be out of the hospital within a couple of weeks.

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Again thanking you for your kindness, we are

Yours most sincerely,

E. and C. Crawley.

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