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British War Relief Society, Inc.

Rhode Island Committee

38 Exchange Place – PROVIDENCE

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Dear Douglas:

What a lovely Mother's Day gift you selected for me! I am pleased as can be and it will adorn my lapel every day until the war is over. Thanks so very, very much. I have just bought a dark blue tailored long coat and a similar colored jumper dress to wear with various colored blouses, so the pin will show up very well whichever costume I wear.

Marilyn sent me a corsage of gardenias with the thought that I could wear them to church and then again at Ladies Night of the CYMBC which had been scheduled for last night but because of the poor response that was cancelled. But I had did have the pleasure of wearing them twice for as you know, I went Sunday evening to hear Alec Templeton.

I saw to it that Daryl gave her mother some silk stockings with an appropriate card which of course, gave Marilyn quite a thrill and Mrs. Schmid had sent her two handkerchiefs through the mail with a card "to a new little mother."

Poor Leland—he has had to give up his commission and go to New York to be sworn in as an apprentice seaman! But as soon as he gets his medical diploma I believe he will again be a lieutenant. But I think that now he is to go into uniform and will be very much as you were at Notre Dame but will keep on with his medical course. (He will continue at Yale)

This is just a short note for I wrote you at some length yesterday. Thanks a lot for your rembrance (*sic*) and write as you get opportunity.

Lovingly,
Mother (Transcription ends)