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**British War Relief Society, Inc.**  
*Rhode Island Committee*  
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Tuesday morning

Dear Douglas:

Just one more letter to your Hayes Street address and then we will wait until you let us know your new one. I know you must hate leaving such a wonderful location but I am sure you will find your new work just as interesting but this time you will be on the receiving end again and I imagine with a lot of studying and work in the evening and very little spare time again.

As you no doubt know, we are having another severe spell of extreme cold. Yesterday both Dad

and I came to work but he could do nothing until about noon as his shop was so cold, so he hung around the banks and hotel until then and I had to close shop and go home. The length of the Providence river was covered with a writhing mass of low hanging fog because of the warmth of the water and the cold of the atmosphere and nothing was visible except a few tall masts and the bus driver said the same condition existed all the way down the bay. I am enclosing a clipping from this morning's Journal about the cold, and also another which I know will be of interest to you as it was to me.

Grandma visited us over the weekend and because we cannot start the car (*sic*) is with us for a few more days. Sunday we had Mr. Dick and Anne (Mrs. Dick is away), Mrs. Hard, her sister, and Barbara for dinner, Luckily I was able to buy a large sirloin roast and it did taste good. Mrs. Hard is leaving today for California to join Mr. Hard who is there in the hospital for recuperation, altho (*sic*) I doubt if he is seriously ill as he speaks about spending the day in the city.

We have not yet heard that Bill has returned to the Vineyard but hope he has.

Let us hear from you as soon as you know your location and tell us as much as you can about your new set-up.

Lovingly,  
Mother (Transcription ends)