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Dearest Mother,

I have loads to tell you and hardly a minute to tell it in, however this much you must know- I am on my way to somewhere - I have no idea where but we expect to sail tomorrow or next day, and by the time you read this I will be happily on my way - At present we are on Bedloes Island

encamped in the shadow of the Statue of Liberty, "as twer", and all preparations are made for immediate embarkation. I am hoping and have pretty good dope that its going to be France, but there is a large element of doubt in this surmise. We will finish up our training there in the flying school and then for active service. I am very happy and will write

you all the details later.

For the present we have a few hours leave and intend making the most of it. Some of the fellows are waiting and I dare not detain them longer.

We will see "Mary Jane" and I understand it's a very good show. Then back to the Isle at 12-15 and off tomorrow "I hope"

A great big hug and all my love for the dearest mother I have ever had.

Rose.

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