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Dear Doc—

We came back to port the other day after being out on the invasion you probably have been reading about the last few days. All I can tell you is that the newspapers just aren't fooling when they write about how tough it is. I hope I never have to see anything like it again. We were around for a week and if I had had any hair it would now be gone or white! We are back in port now, luckier than some, but not as lucky as others. Personally, I am all right, which is more than I can say for some of our crew. Sorry, but that is the extent I am able to say about it. Anyway no part of it makes a very pretty story.

I think I would be giving away no naval secrets of ship construction if I were to tell you that on our tank deck which is about 200 feet long and 40 feet wide with a 14 feet ceiling, I investigated and sorta took over the construction