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Dear Cousin:

Answering your good letter of December 27th, both Gertrude and I appreciate the fine loyal spirit of your letters and we wish there were millions more like you to retain the freedom that our forefathers gave their lives to establish and preserve. I wonder if you have ever tried writing. You think so clearly and express yourself so well that I think you might find both pleasure and profit in doing something along that line.

I hope that Willard will continue to be well. He is certainly serving under a most wonderful General in MacArthur--a General who has the advantage of knowing the terrain, policies, practices and peculiarities of the people who serve with and under him and also those who form his opposition. The picture you sent shows him to be a mighty fine looking young man. If convenient some time, I should be glad to have you send me a snapshot of Betty and her babies. It doesn't seem possible that Judith is now three years old.

I have just written to Lillian Cowdy. We write back and forth probably an average of about once a month.

My grandson, Owen W. Maloney, the third, is a navigator on a bomber, and is now located somewhere in Italy. I have just had the pleasure of reading three recent letters from him to his mother, who is our daughter, Blanche.

With continued good wishes and love,

I remain

Your Cousin

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