

124 Richland Ave.

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Dear Folks,

We just arrived in San Francisco this A.M. and have so many things to attend to that everyone is running around in circles. It seems like a dream that we will soon be out on the ocean. We had an interesting trip today across the San Francisco Bay. We went under the Oakland Bay Bridge which is the largest in the world... It cost 79,000,000 to build it. We also saw Alcatraz Island where the federal penitentiary is. Through the fog we could see a little of the Golden Gate Bridge which is the largest suspension bridge in the world. We will get a better view of it when we sail.

Paul had quite a fever last night. He is cutting some of his molars. He seemed to feel better today.

They have already started to load our things on the boat as it looks as though we are really going to go. The Lord has worked out every thing [sic] in a wonderful way. I'll try to write again before we actually sail. Keep praying for us and a Merry Christmas to you all. Love

Florence, Jake + Paul