

April 16, 1949.

Honorable W. Stuart Symington  
Secretary of the Air Force  
The Pentagon Building  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Symington:

Since it was not possible for you to be here for the dinner honoring Captain James Gallagher and his round-the-world fliers of the Air Force bomber "Lucky Lady II," given the evening of April 7, I am taking the liberty of sending to you under separate cover the following:

1. A souvenir program of the occasion.
2. The commemorative gold medal (14-K) for aeronautical achievement presented by the City of Fort Worth to these fliers, and to you as an official of the National Department of Defense.
3. A leather folder enclosing a scroll of honorary lifetime citizenship from the Fort Worth City Council.
4. A leather wallet containing the honorary lifetime citizenship card.
5. The text and a photograph of a bronze plaque commemorating this flight, presented to the Eighth Air Force by the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.
6. Fort Worth Star-Telegram editions of March 2 (Afternoon), March 3 (Morning) and April 8 (Morning), 1949, describing the first non-stop flight around the world, the Fort Worth civic dinner honoring the airmen, and the presentation of the commemorative plaque.

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My letter to you enclosed with  
that package will inform you in more detail of  
Fort Worth's celebration of this epochal flight.

Cordially yours,

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