



We may have a little luck yet,  
Dad. Things are moving very  
favorably just now. Frank Melton  
of W.S. told me, he is going home  
soon. I told him to call, and  
give an account of my march.  
Sorry I can't be with you to  
celebrate Christmas, next year  
or your birth day, but I guess  
we'll be there with balloons  
for the fourth. Gee how'd  
like a good skate on Pontica  
Pond. The weather here, while  
mostly wet, is warm enough  
to allow us to go about, without  
our overcoats. Would not it  
be a great joke, if they should  
suddenly dump us into the mid-  
dle of a real New England win-  
ter. I love and best wishes to  
all, from, Richard.

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