

Oct 15 - 1944.

Dear Jack:-

Here is your Xmas tree! I am sending it in care of the Chaplain, hoping that you will be back in England by Xmas time. One of your instructors from Pueblo advised me to do it that way - said you would come nearer getting it.

To assemble your tree - first take it out of the box - then set it firmly in the pot - straighten the top up ^{and} bend the branches down, and Presto - you have a Christmas tree! (I hope)

On it you will find some personal notes, but mostly they are copies of letters we received since you have been missing. I didn't copy all the letters - just the ones from your special friends.

We are all so very sure you will be
coming back to us. Your mother
more than anyone.

So this year your tree is more or
less a tree of hope and faith.

Lots and lots and lots
of love,

Mother

P.S. - We have sent other
packages to you - hope you
get them. They were sent
% Chaplain Theodore Runyan