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Most Rev. and Dear Archbishop,

Along with my monthly report comes a little note to let you know what keeps me occupied in interests other than the military. If I confined myself to the military, I should indeed become stale, because it can not hold the interest.

The German Youth Activities Committee has begun to function, and bear fruit. The initial steps, however, have been made, and the Catholic Youth Organizations, and the City Youth Office, have been approved.

We are now planning large parties for Christmas for the children and youth of Nürnberg. Last year we had to operate under cover, because of the Non-Fraternization Law, but today the stupid makers of that law see that that policy was not only negative for peace, but, positive toward the negative side, and furthermore could not be enforced.

The Army has begun to learn another lesson, and that concerning the VD problem. For the last six years, now, it has refused to put any sanction on morality. Now, having learned the "hard way", they have swung over to our side, and are bearing down on the offenders.

More and more, too, the intelligent soldier and officer is realizing what Communism is, by seeing what it is doing. He is now forced to say that the Church was right all the time.

With a prayer every day for Your Excellency and the Archdiocese, I remain filially Yours in Christ,

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