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Dear Sister Thomas James

Received your very nice letter this date. I'll do the best I can in hoping to answer some of your questions. And I do hope I can be of some help.

The morning of the thirteenth, a shipmate and myself were given water to the wounded, and Fred was one of the fellows. He asked me if I would do him a favor. "Yes, I'll be glad to," I reply. He then give me the key to his locker saying, "Scotty (my nickname) take the money I have in my locker, and send it to my Mother. Telling her its a Xmas gift, and also, tell her I am unable to write now." - When I spoke to him he was in a very cheerful mood.

Later that morning he was transferred to the canal. and I did not see him again. The next morning (Nov. 14) we muster our division, of which I was the mustering Petty. officer. And from hear say. I hear he (Fred) die suddenly on the way to the hospital. (Nov 13)

Sorry I can't give you any forwarding addresses of some of the men off the U. S. S. Atlanta. Due to the fact I did not make the return trip to the state with them. For I remain in the Southwest Pacific area.

And thanking you for your

prayers and kind thought, I remain.

Your Very Truly
J. Scacciaferro