

Friday 3-3-44

Florence, darling:

Please forgive me for not being able to write one of my usual letters, but once again I was tied up to-night for a while at headquarters, and now I am endeavoring to finish my studies for to-morrow's final exam. I have every hope that I will revert back to my regular style letter by to-morrow. Unless the questions are tricky. I expect to do quite well on the exam. I know that you are pushing for me to achieve an excellent grade, as I want to impress the adjutant and the personnel officer. Little things like this can help to make my army career easier and more palatable. Of course, nothing short of a discharge will make us happy, but until that time comes I guess it is only natural for me to try to

do my best, so here we go again.

Your Tuesday letter arrived to-day, and I was happy to learn that all is well. I realize only too well that Jim is growing, and I can hardly wait to see you and him. If at all possible and convenient, I am determined to let you and him visit me at Technical Training Camp when we are established there. So be patient, time seems to be rushing by, and yet it seems like ages since last I saw you. I think a visit to the country is a good idea, but somehow I am of the opinion Sackett Lake this time of the year is hardly attractive. As for Bens' letter, I don't have her address, nor do I feel inclined to write her; but if you forward it I will endeavor to reply shortly. Please be certain to pay your policy on time. You will also receive an auto liability policy later this month which you can

pay in 3 monthly installments or
at one time, depending on your own
desires. As soon as I can I will
read the article you recommended
in the Readers Digest. I, too, am
curious to learn what they expect
of us.

Darling, dont give up hope or
begin to despair about our increasing
our family. Even were I home I
doubt whether we would have attempted
to have a brother or sister for Jim.
The near future may answer many
problems for us, and then we can
go about executing our plans. Be
steadfast, dearest, all things are
temporary, and even this transitory
period of heartaches, disorder and
duty to one's country will go by.
Mormons are a tough race, and
even this world-wide catastrophe will
neither destroy the race or harm us
individually. I have every hope for
the future, and you, my queen,
must stand beside me.

I feel fine, weather is

delightful and time rapidly
approaches for the rifle range and
completion of all basic training.
Then maybe I'll get a stripe or two.
Heard from Bob, and he and
I am all well and happy.

Stay well, dearest. Kiss Jim
for daddy, and I'll kiss you in
mind, as ever

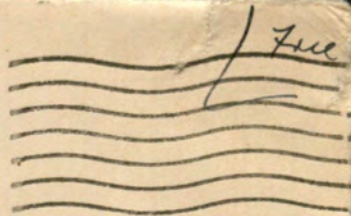
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