

THE HISTORIC ROUND TOWER



8 MILES TO DOWNTOWN MINNEAPOLIS  
7 MILES TO DOWNTOWN ST. PAUL

AN ACTIVE U. S. ARMY POST  
SINCE 1819

FORT SNELLING, MINNESOTA

Tuesday 5-23-44

Flarence, darling:

With so much love in my heart for you it must be simple for you to realize from my letters how much this separation is affecting me. You too, probably feel the same, and yet we must be patient and brave. It is no simple matter for two sweethearts to be separated for days, weeks and months without missing each other. And yet, my precious darling, we must carry on. As I gaze at the snapshots enclosed in to-day's letter, looked at you and Jim I only too well realized that until we have a world at peace again there can be no happiness or security for us. Looking at your smiling face, and only too well reading your mind, I became more determined to see this through. It is that kind of inspiration I hope you find in me and thru my letters. Don't worry, honey, if I am not transferred

class to home you will surely come  
to visit me here. There should be some  
news about this real soon.

Your Saturday letter was so sweet,  
and even though I was not present I was  
with you all the time. It is difficult for  
me to enjoy myself without you, so anything  
or everything I do is just empty pleasure.  
I know you have no heart in seeking good  
terms these days, and I feel exactly the same.  
It is an hollow life we lead these days, but  
we must try to keep our spirits and morale  
up, because the future will be bright  
and we want to enjoy every moment of it.  
I am keeping the snapshot of you and Jim  
and enclosing the other two for the album.  
Please do not forget several duplicates  
of the snap I requested several days ago.

Your description of Jim's going on  
sounded as though he were growing fatter  
as a result of the warmer weather. It is so  
heart-warming to read these little anecdotes,  
and while I'm deriving loads of joy reading them,  
I also realize he is probably wearing you out  
keeping him in line. I know you have a  
full time job with the little rascal and  
believe me, mamma, Jim and I not only  
appreciate all your efforts but also want  
you to know how grateful we are. Don't let  
Jim harass you too much as the sick fellow  
may be a bit nervous, and Jim's desire to  
have fun may annoy you too much.

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I also want to again caution you that there is much poison ivy in among those bushes across from the campus, facing the R.R. tracks, so please be careful with Jim, yourself and the others. The weather here has been gorgeous the past few days, and to-morrow (Wednesday) we don our summer uniforms. They are a mess to launder, and we are looking about for a convenient and reasonable laundry to take care of them. The post laundry does a poor job, and dry cleaning is too expensive.

Received a letter from Mr. Pinus to-day, together with a supply of air mail envelopes. He doesn't admit it, but he seems a bit upset and worried about Richard's transfer to the infantry. No other mail to-day and I'm surprised, but I guess people back home are too busy.

Saw "Gaslight" last night, and was positively enthralled by Ingrid Bergman's performance. The picture is a drama and most engrossing. It's a bit marked in spots,

and perhaps you'd better wait me it until  
I can be beside you holding hands with you,  
which would be perfect even if the picture  
were not a "heavy." Nothing to do to-night as  
there is no ball game in town, and only a  
dance on the post. So I am writing you,  
am going to read a while and then shave,  
shower and early to bed, perhaps to dream  
of my own sweetheart and Jim.

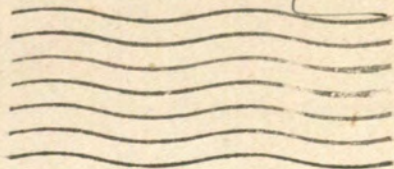
I feel fine and hope you and  
our pride and joy are in excellent health  
and spirits. Kiss each other for daddy,  
and give my best to the folks and all our  
good friends. With all my love, you  
find me missing you

as ever,

Gg.

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