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King, Gustave
Monday, 27 Aug 45.

Flavens, Darling,

You and I, forever, is a phrase that best expresses my love and adoration of my only sweetheart and wife. Always my thoughts revolve about my happy days and years we've been together - and apart. Being separated has had the effect of creating a lonely feeling, but down deep I have always felt your presence at my side. This thought has been the most sustaining force in keeping my morale and spirits high. Your letters, your wonderful expressions of love and devotion, your pictures, all have managed to convey the impetus I've needed to come thru this trying period in fine shape. Thanks so much, my dearest; and now we are rapidly approaching the day when the written word will be replaced by the spoken thought. Time will pass quickly until I get mustered-out. Until that wonderful day comes, be of good cheer, health and spirit. We can both thrive short periods like a duck takes to water.

Your August 16th and 17th air



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mail letters were all I received in to-day's mail call, but they were more welcome than any or all other letters. I am particularly glad to learn that knowing about the 38 year old men will enable you to relax from here in. That's good news, and I'm sure the balance of your vacation will be more enjoyable. Naturally, it will hardly compare to the holiday will take when I return. The song being played on the radio at the moment is "When Johnny Comes Marching Home". Between that song and "Swiss Home", my thoughts are humming all the time. It is easy to see by your letters that your spirits are better. Your relating the "antique pendant" story proves that. It seems to me the story comes from Bennett Cerf's "Try to Stop Me". Correct?

Jim's latest casting of Ten seems to strike you somewhat. He seems to be a source of more stories and experiences than even I have over here. Your description of his latest friend, Roberto, was typical. I do not, however, quite understand a remark you wrote. You said Jim's determined to have a brother, and then you wrote the following, quote "We're going to have quite a few - women on that score, if I haven't mentioned it already. The woman is fascinating." I do not



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Comprehend the statement or the reference. Please explain it to me. You and Jim seem to grow quite fond of the kittens, and I'm wondering if you are contemplating bringing one of them home. Seems like a good idea —

I'm glad the mail delivery was resumed to you with the receipt of so many letters. Thanks for advising about those stamp and negative envelopes, but be sure to advise when all 5 stamp envelopes arrive. I know about those 2 blacks which were stuck to-gether. Don't worry about it, merely keep all those stamps in a dry, flat place, and away from sight of the children. They're a valuable lot, and we don't want to lose my investment of several packs of cigarettes. I have some more fine stamps to send, but cannot quite determine to risk them in the mail. I cannot register them at the Post Office. The package I wrote you about in the post few days finally went off to-day, advise when received; it went to the folks' address.

You have probably noticed in my recent letters that the films shown have improved. Do-night's picture was "Meet me in St. Louis" with Judy Garland. It was



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entertaining, and for a couple of hours I was back in the States. The schedule for the balance of the week includes some other pretty good pictures. Will write you about them as I see them.

Have had no mail from the folks in almost a week, but since your letters are but 12 days old, I'll assume that all is well and under control with them, also awaiting further news from Bob, but I hardly expect to hear anything definite from him for a while.

all goes well with me, I feel fine and dandy, and to-day had a particularly pleasant job to perform. I typed up 27 applications for discharge for all men 38 or over in the company. The official directive came there yesterday, and we wasted no time. Since it specifically states a man must be 38 or over, and calls for the birthday, I can do nothing about myself until my birth day. Even discussed it with Capt. Asay, but there's no angle other than patience. Stay with me until "our day" arrives. Love,

Kiss Jim for me, and I'll kiss both of you in mind. My very best to

my father and yours. All my love
and affection, and keep smiling

as ever.

George

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