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Florence, Sweetheart:

Once again a plane call has to take place of seeing you, and keeping you ever so tightly in my arms. It's a poor substitute, believe me, darling, and how I hope we get that break that I'm gunning for at present. It would enable us to be close to each other, and also obviate the necessity for you and Jim to make a cross-country trip to see me. For this reason alone I do hope it works out, and now that it's on its way I continue hopeful. Let us wait a few more weeks, await further developments, and if nothing comes of the request by about the 18th of June I'd suggest you make the safari, and we'll do all we can to make you and the little fellow as comfortable as possible. It will not be like home but I guess he can rough it for a short time. I am lifeline lonely, so stick it out with me for several weeks longer, and then we can

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plet our course.

It warmed the cockles of my heart to speak to you, learn that everyone is O.K., and then later in the day to receive your Thursday letter. You did not sound too gay at the conclusion of our phone conversation, and I hope I said nothing to disturb you. I will write Leo Schwarz a letter about Anita's vacation, so if you've done nothing yet don't bother. Sam's status and story seems so confusing, but I suppose a story couldn't be told about him that would even resemble being rational.

I suppose a celebration is in order now that Jim has finally learned to stand up and smoke with the thing. From now on he should learn and pick things up rather quickly. It will probably be a lot easier traveling with him should it be necessary for you to come out here, at least you realize you have a man at home, and if I don't hurry home he may get other ideas. I'm glad you got the allotment checks, and please advise when you

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receive the \$4.00 check. I want to thank Brown when I write him this week.

Saturday night three of us went to the ball game in St. Paul, but left in the 7th inning as it began to threaten to rain. We managed to get back into town to the U.S.O. and did it just in time. To-day was cloudy all morning, but four of us decided to cheer the double-header which we did. The first game was still tied in the 17th inning and the thunder and lightning made our minds up for us to leave before the rain. It poured after we made a street-car, and once again we managed the U.S.O. hardly getting wet. We played some pool, had sandwiches and milk, and then decided to go over to the Masonic Service Center in the hopes that we'd find a more delightful repast. They had some kind of a salad, cake, and coffee, so between the two places we managed to eat for free. Not that we can't afford it, but after a while all societies expect certain things gratis, and food is one of them, so it's difficult to persuade them to go into

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a restaurant. We have some laughs out of all this chiseling and it helps to break up the monotony of not having one's loved ones around. Incidentally as a result of our cheerful attitude we manage to attract attention, and I guess you knew by now that my favorite subject is my pin-up sweetheart and our precious son.

The weather had been rather hot up to the rain today, but it has turned cooler since, and as I write this I notice how comfortable it has become outdoors. I'm glad you attended to all the bills, and I trust you have made any necessary entries so that I can adjust my records when I get home. The war news is very good, and I think before long we will have many things to rejoice about. Mr. Pincus does not write as often as usual, and I hope all is well with him. He and Mrs. Pincus must be plenty worried about their boy's transfer to the infantry.

I am fine and dandy and truly hope this finds you and Jim in excellent health and spirits. I do hope you are able

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to get to the movies often, as I find time goes more quickly when the evenings are filled with something to do. That's why I go to the movies or ball-games as much as possible. If I find an easy night job I think I'll tackle it, but have no fears on this score.

I'm glad you are able to get film from Harry Abrams, and I do hope you get Billy's camera back to him soon. Harry Fox expects his camera from home this week, and I think I'll have more snaps for you when it arrives. Gledhey's divorce is cooking along, and he is now remaining a local debutante.

Hope you are able to relate more news and stories about you and Jim now that the summer is here. Also good news about Jack's operation soon. My best to everyone, kiss Jim for me, and love him forever you for daddy. My love and adoration to my only sweetheart

as ever,

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