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(Sender's complete address above)

FLORENCE, DARLING:

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THE DROUGHT WAS FINALLY BROKEN TO-DAY, HONEY, WHEN I RECEIVED MY FIRST LETTER FROM YOU DATED JUNE 8TH AND 10TH V-MAILS. IT WAS REASSURING TO LEARN THAT YOU AND JIMMY ARE WELL, AND THAT THE REST OF THE FAMILY IS ALSO IN FIRST CLASS HEALTH AND SPIRITS. I'M DELIGHTED TO KNOW THAT YOUR PLANS TO TAKE OFF FOR THE COUNTRY ARE DEFINITELY SET THIS TIME, AND I SURE HOPE YOU MANAGED TO TAKE OFF IN GOOD SHAPE.

ALTHOUGH I HAVE SENT MANY PACKAGES TO YOU AND OTHERS SINCE I ARRIVED OVERSEAS NOTHING HAS GIVEN ME MORE PLEASURE THAN MY SENDING ALL THOSE WONDERFUL, NEVER TO BE FORGOTTEN SNAPSHOTS OF MY BUDDIES AND SCENES. IT HAS BEEN MY LOT TO KNOW AND SEE. MOST OF THE PICTURES IS SURE TO REMIND ME OF A STORY TO TELL, AND MOST OF THE SCENES TELL STORIES THAT THE CAMERA CANNOT TELL. FOR INSTANCE THE PERSON WHO DEVELOPED MOST OF MY FILMS AND ALSO TOOK THAT PHOTOGRAPH OF ME WAS PAID, AMONG OTHER THINGS, BY THAT BAG OF LENTILS YOU SENT ME. IT HAD BEEN SO LONG SINCE THEY SAW SOME OF THEM THAT HIS WIFE DANCED THE FLOOR WITH ME AT THE SIGHT OF THEM. WHAT A WORLD, EH KID

YOU WILL FORGIVE THIS SHORT NOTE TO-DAY AS WE HAVE TO PACK OUR STUFF TO-NIGHT IN PREPARATION FOR THE MOVEMENT EARLY TO-MORROW MORNING. THEY SAY IT WILL BE ABOUT NINE O'CLOCK. WE ARE SCHEDULED TO GO TO LIPSTADT WHICH IS NOT VERY FAR FROM KASSEL. BILLETS HAVE BEEN SET UP IN A 32 ROOM HOTEL, AND ALTHOUGH I DO NOT EXPECT ANYTHING AS LUXURIOUS AS WHAT I HAVE HAD IN HAMM, I THINK I'LL BE VERY COMFORTABLE COMPARED TO THE CONDITIONS WE LIVED UNDER IN FRANCE. TO BE SURE I CARRIED MY PINE BED, LAMP, AND EASY CHAIRS. WILL GIVE YOU MORE OF THE DETAILS AFTER I GET THERE, SO SIT TIGHT. IF ONLY COOK'S TOURS WOULD GIVE ME THE EXACT DATE WHEN WE ARE OUT BACK HOME ALL WOULD BE SWELL, BUT TEMUS FUGITS, AS USUAL.

THANKS FOR SAYING I LOOK YOUNG AND HEALTHY IN THOSE SNAPSHOTS, AND I COULD SAY THE SAME ABOUT YOU AND JIMMY. IT IS EASY TO NOTE THAT HE IS PACKED WITH SOMETHING ELSE BESIDES MUSCLES BY THE WAY YOU GRASP HIS HAND IN THOSE POSES IN WHICH YOU AND HE ARE TOGETHER. BUT TRUTHFULLY, DEAREST, I FEEL JUST PINE AND DANDY, AND ONLY AFFLICTED WITH AN OVERWHELMING TREMENDOUS DESIRE TO BE WITH YOU AND THE LAD.

YOU MENTION THAT HUMORS ARE GOOD, AND ALTHOUGH I HAVE NO IDEA WHICH HUMORS YOU REFER TO, I ASSUME THAT SINCE YOU SAY THEY ARE GOOD IT MUST HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH MY GETTING OUT OF THE ARMY. HALLUKUJAH.....

STILL NO ADVICE ABOUT YOUR HAVING RECEIVED ANY MORE OF MY PACKAGES BUT THEY WILL GET THERE OKAY, I HOPE. THE WEATHER HAS TURNED WARMER, TO-DAY BEING THE HOTTEST DAY WE HAVE HAD SINCE OUR ARRIVAL IN DEN VATERLAND. KISS JIM FOR ME. I'LL KISS HIM FOR YOU. ALL MY LOVE, AS EVER, *Frank*
HAVE YOU FILED IN COMPLETE ADDRESS AT TOP?

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