



UNITED STATES ARMY

Friday, Dec. 3, 1943.
7:30 P.M.

Florence, dearest:

Please realize that as I write this there are two things you must be cognizant of, first, I'll be leaving you always, and second, I have received no mail from you or anyone else since last Sunday. This is due to my having been shipped from Lipton, and the mail not having arrived here yet. No doubt I will receive a bunch of mail at one time and I am hopeful that all the home news is good. Remember, darling, everything is temporary, and although I have been away from home over three weeks, this business trip is going along per schedule, and although we are making no money, yet all is well. I am feeling pretty good, food is adequate, blankets are in order. Coming thru my basic O.K. and next week I should get on in service with an officer, after which I may be placed in another outfit or camp. In the interim I wrote Mr. Marks, whose son is a Colonel at Fort Monmouth in the hopes he may be able to me. One never knows where the breaks may come from. So be brave, maintain, and I'm certain we will all be together again soon. Just remember everything is temporary, except my love for you -

I have Jimmy's picture over my bed on the shelf, and everyone in the barracks have been admiring him. Most of the men are married, and just as impatient about getting home as I am. I hope you and Jimmy are enjoying good health, even though you are lonesome, and I know he must grow up nicely. I expect he must be saying some things by now so please, dear, keep me posted. Also let me know whether or not you received a check from E. Loring Co and the amount. If you didn't advise him to remind Kess or Kelly to forward same.

If you haven't sent that package sent please include an old
hard towel. It is impossible to obtain these necessities in this camp,
and I have not yet visited New Orleans. Incidentally, if I phone you
it probably will be early in the morning. I have ascertained that a
call in the morning between 7 and 8 can be put through almost immediately
whereas later in the day it takes from 2 to 3 hours. So don't be
alarmed if you are awakened next Sunday morn. I will probably
reverse charges and speak for about 5 minutes. This, I know, dearest,
seems so little time to tell you all the things I want you, but
just remember I love you and all else is incidental.

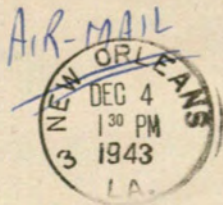
The weather is quite nice - Cool mornings, warm afternoons,
and you need a woollen blanket to sleep. I hope you are not
having too much trouble sleeping, but if you do awaken about
5 a.m. any day, just recall that at that time I am thinking of
you, Sunny Jim, and home. And believe you me, honey-dile - when
I get home I'll never leave it again for any reason. Hope my
mother and father are well, and that your family are all in good
health. I have written Sonny, Jules, Bill, Kessler, Brown, J. Henry, Pius,
the folks at But from here, so I guess pretty soon the mail will
be pouring in.

Take care of all the bills, and if there is anything I can
advise you about please write. There is nothing else I need. Will
write you daily if possible, and so until tomorrow, dearest, please
kiss the Crown Prince for his daddy, and remember to tell him I
love and miss you both

As ever,

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*"For God so loved the world, that He gave His
only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in
Him, should not perish, but have everlasting life."*

John 3:16

