

Friday 12/5/43

Dearest Sweetheart,

All goes well in our domain and Jimmie is getting to be a big boy. It's really a shame that you've got to miss this stage of his life but I do believe the next stages will be even more interesting and heart warming to his Daddie. He'll probably have a long conversation with you the next time you're together and I'll remain speechless for about a month. When is it going to end, my darling? News isn't too optimistic these last weeks and perhaps the near future and Spring will determine the day of peace and your homecoming.

There was no mail from you today and those parcels I had packed for mailing were all overweight and over size. So I brought them all back from the Post office and will send them out tomorrow. Here's the list of foodstuffs and goodies packed in 4 boxes.

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Dear Sir,

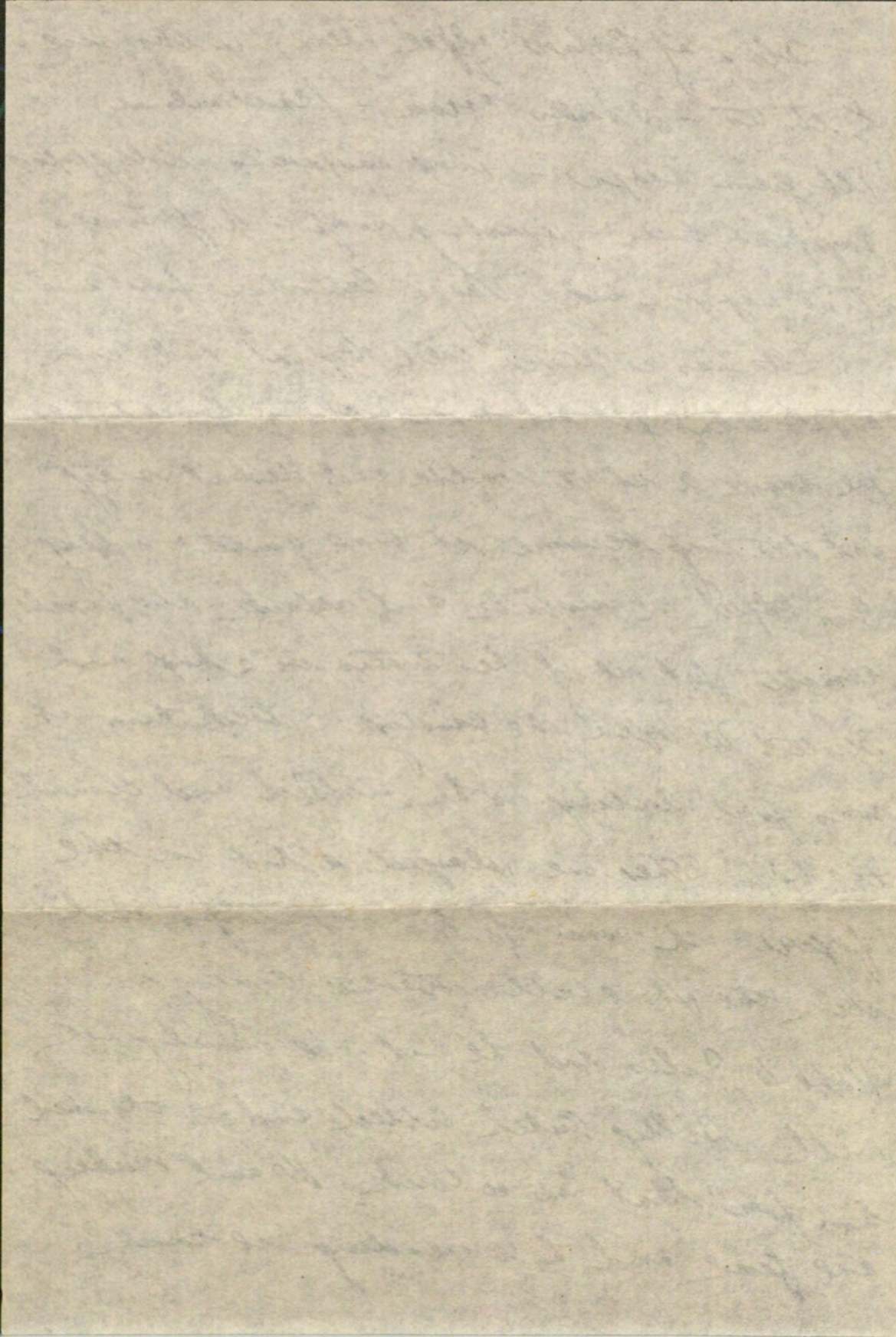
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the

and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours,
J. H. [Name]

2 lbs. of Boham² Coffee (bean) - 2 lbs. rice
 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. tea - 2 boxes cocoa - 1 can salmon
1 lb. gum drops - 1 box Karafacils - lollypops -
grapefruit juice - washing soap - 7 of Times -
Time magazine and a Varga Calendar from Clarence.

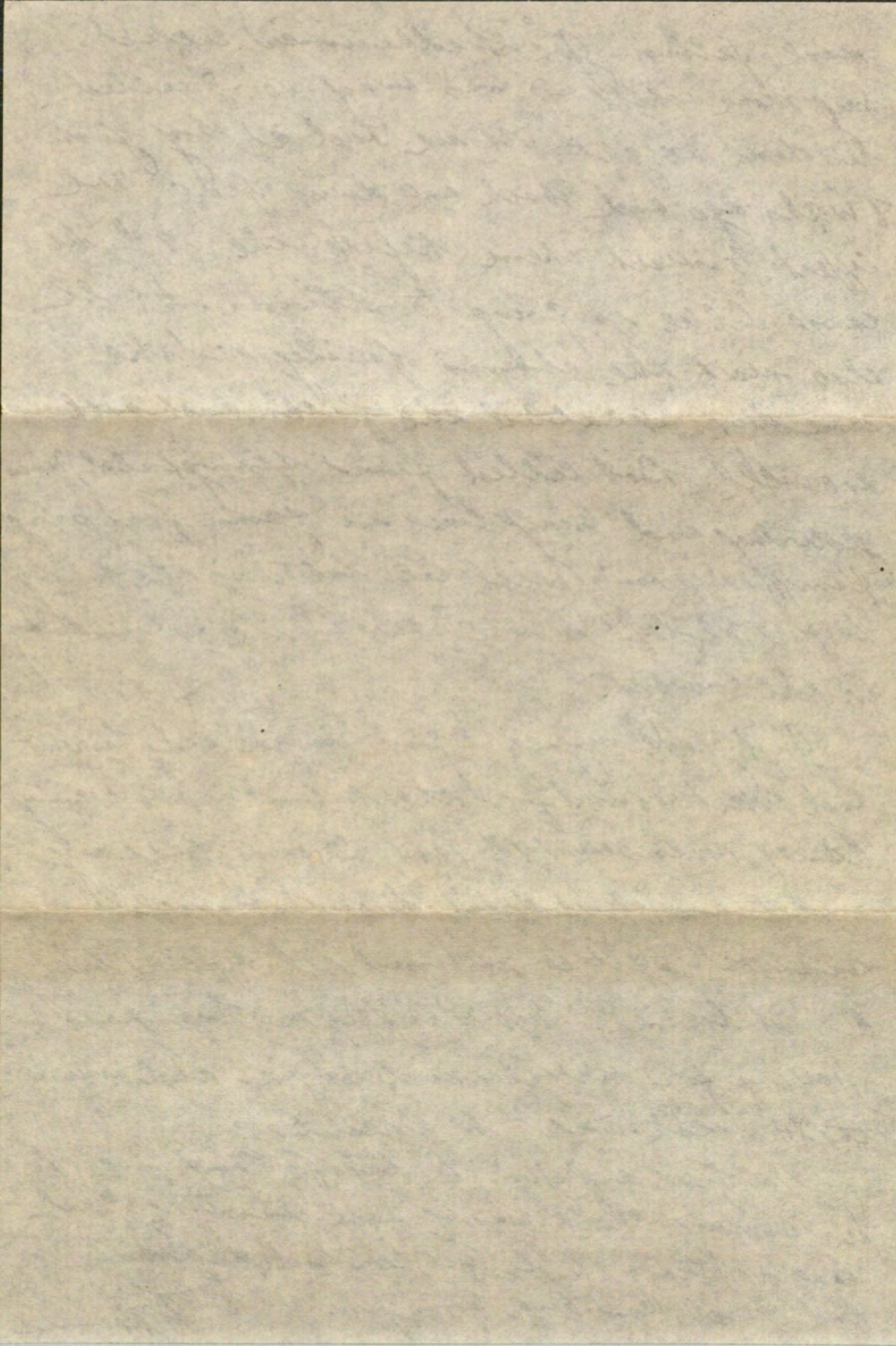
It was a clear cold day out and Jim
and I didn't get out until after lunchtime.
We took a short walk and didn't stay
out too long because it was quite nippy.
Jim helped me unpack and repack the parcels,
almost put one of his trains in a box and
started to open the candy. I told him it
was for Daddy so he stopped and closed
the box. Then we played a bit in the
garden with some of his new toys and
then the phone calls started coming in.
Steve & Jules and he and the family were
well. Billy Rubel called and I thanked
him for that \$5.00 check. He and Mumkey
are fine and he's sending me some



more films. Joe Ekedhammer called
my mom while I was away so I called
his home tonight. Norma had a boy just
8 weeks ago and both are doing fine. We
expect to visit them before the 19th be-
cause Lillie is going to Florida. We'll
also visit the Ahrens family on the
same day. I called the folks and both
are well. Bob called from Springfield, Mass.
yesterday and may come in again for 6 days.
Sammy & Mary Ann will call later in the evening
because he left a note here while I was away
in the country.

Just gave myself a good shampoo and haircut
and expect to read for the balance of the evening.
As of November 17th 1944, I miss you every
moment and if we didn't have that sweet
summer together it would all appear like
a bad dream. But I'll keep on hoping and
praying for our reunion soon and maybe
that wish will be a reality.

I'm fine and Jim is taking good care of
his mommie. Don't worry and you take good
care of George. All my love and devotion
and kisses and hugs from Jim. Forever,
Florence.



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