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 Monday, 3 Sept 45

Florence, Dearest:

Another day without mail from you but I did get a letter from Harry Meyerowitz dated Aug. 21st. This being Labor Day we got a break by having the day off. However the brightest part of the day are the persistent radio reports that the average limit has been lowered to 35. I won't believe it until I see it as an official announcement in the newspaper. However, you can readily begin to see the light about this being our year. From a hope to a reality, and what a reality when we have that famous reunion in Brooklyn.

Since I am scheduled to go on furlough Friday morning, and since it looks as though I'll be leaving this outfit in the very near future, I am beginning to break Jim Burns in on my job. He came down this morning from Leekichan, and I'll spend the rest of the week working with him. He's a young lad of 20, Lemmerick as ever I saw any one, and the prospects of getting out soon are not so bright. Oh well not all of us can be 38 and in love with the sweetest girl in the world.

As the reorganization gradually draws upon

me that I may be home in the next few months. I am slightly nervous about Jim to act and treat Jim. You and I are intimately familiar with our likes, habits, and foibles, but that new member of our home life is almost a stranger to me, that is in his habits and mental processes. Don't you think it advisable to send me some pertinent facts about his ways, so that I make a good start and impression upon him when we first get together? I certainly don't want to undo any of your efforts.

Under separate cover to-day I sent you an envelope full of negatives and a Sad Sack cartoon. Enclosed herewith is a \$40.- money which you will please use to buy yourself a new evening gown, or something. Also some snaps taken in Salzburg; and how do you like my new Eisenhammer jacket? If I could lose another inch off my stomach it would fit better, but maybe I'll get sea-sick going home, and then I'll be sure to drop some weight, take!

As I understand it you intend to stay in Monticello until Bers comes home from the hospital. Please keep me advised about 10 days in advance, so that I can direct mail to our home in time for it

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