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VIA AIR MAIL s. Jack Bell John River St. John Ohio

England-Mar. 22 Darling Wife, Today's mail call really treated me good. your little package arrived, and sweetheart the ring is beautiful. I will allways wear it, even the Sive never before worn a ring during the day when I'm working. Thank you ever so much, darling. Let's hope will be able to selebrate our fifth anniversary together, and all the rest of them too. also received the second package of Stationery. Thanks, sweetie. your V mail dated March 12, and and airmail dated Fel. 12 which just caught up to me. Say, honey I thought you could hold your liquor better than that. Better take it easy till old Jackson gets back to help you nurse your hangovers. March. 23 Guess I didn't have much to write about last nite. Die been so darned tired The last few days I've been hitting the hay larly. Must be spring fever. It's certainly beautiful out. This afternoon I got four letters from

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[[Bell Correspondence #22]]

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Pvt. John P. Bell 35052495 Co. D. Det. of Patients H.P. 4167 A.P.O. 118 c/o P.M. New York

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Mrs. Jack Bell 345 W. River St. Elyria, Ohio

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