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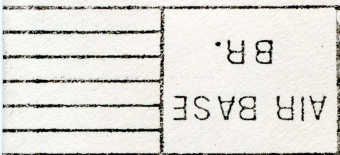
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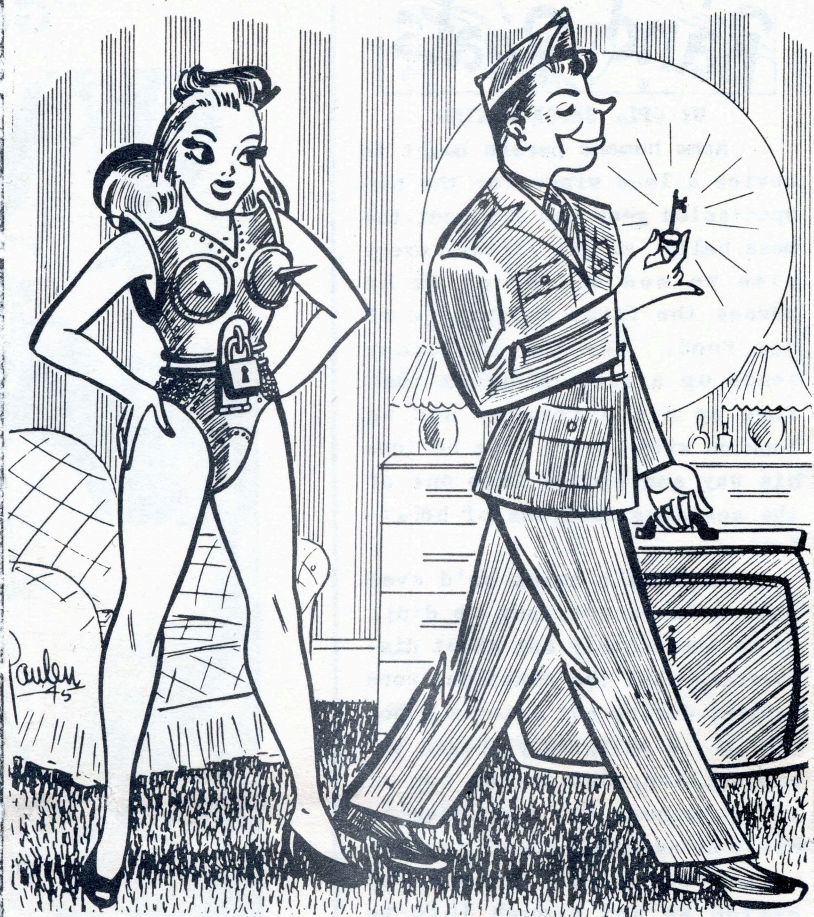
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Band Beats

BY CPL. CHUCK ELKIND

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We didn't think we'd ever meet a "swooner", but we did!! So we immediately set about discovering what the reactions were before, during and after a swoon. She, quite obligingly, began the explanation; but in the course of her expose she succumbed to her own narrative and swooned before our eyes! Before she exited we got enough info to



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Thursday Evening

Dearest Florence:

Received the sweetest of all your letters this afternoon. It is one of the sweetest letters I've received from anyone so far. You certainly are a moral builder upper. Will tell you something of Tonopah and myself then answer your letter. Today, again, we are not flying due to snow and generally inclement weather. I may not phone you this week-end because if the weather breaks I am taking a crew of men to Luke Field at Phoenix, Arizona to change an engine on one of my ships there. Should I be in Tonopah Sunday night I will put through a call after midnight.

Now to answer your letter. No Dear I don't or won't lose patience trying to phone you just as long as I can talk to you in the end. It was very sweet of you to want to fly to me after talking to me Sunday night. You don't realize how much I wanted you to be here with me. You're right - I should have started this letter so; "Dear Night-Hawk". It's better you are a night-hawk than a she-wolf.

When I am with you in April let's you and I spoil Lois and Mary Margaret some more. Darling anytime you want to spoil me just go right ahead, see if I care. If I can Dear I too want to spoil you by being nice to you as you so richly deserve. I'll try to bring a camera with me Dear and get some Kodachrome Film so we can take colored snapshots of Lois, M. M. and you.

It's nice to know you had word of your brother Johnny and I sincerely hope I may meet him some day - soon. Don't worry about him Dear because if he is as nice as you say he is, and I'm sure he is, he will take good care of himself. Being an instrument specialist is a pretty nice job.

As for your plans for the 21 days in April I have this to say. Being with you will be enough for me. I want you to think of that special something to do. Whatever you want to do will be perfect with me. Making you happy will make me happier than if you try to do something special for me. I want this to be a vacation for you so plan whatever you want It's O.K. with me. Just think

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 Will close now - sack time.

Love & Kisses Dear
Walter

P.S. You'll have to cooze me with hugs and
 kisses to tell you about your handwriting.
 How do you like the enclosed cartoon?

a big good-night kiss Honey!

W.

[[Kristina Agopian 7/31/2017]]
[[Walter Keeler Correspondence
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422nd Base Unit- Sqdn. "F"

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[[upside-down image- black circular stamp:

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[[Image – woman and male soldier at home; woman locked into metal chastity suit; spikes on breast plate; chastity suit to prevent infidelity as male soldier leaves for war; male soldier smiles while holding key to locked chastity suit.]]

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