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We took pictures today so will send  
some when we get them.

Nov. 23 - 44

This is Thurs. morn.

Dearest Darling:

Hi Han! Here I am sitting  
here in the dining room out on the  
farm, going to have my nightly  
visit with my honey before I go to  
bed. Going to tell him how much  
we missed him, today our anniversary  
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last year this time, but it wasn't  
a couple weeks later that you left.  
I can't hardly believe it was a year  
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around, and to be able to look  
at you and close to have you hold  
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Know what how I love you. I love  
you so very, very much darling.  
I didn't get any letters Tuesday or  
Wednesday how - how come. I sure  
do miss them. My day just isn't  
rite when I don't hear from my  
home. I guess you won't celebrate  
Thanksgiving this week. I don't know  
why Iowa had to be different than  
the rest. Part of the people around  
here observed it this week and  
some didn't. They were started  
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Everyone ate to their hearts content.  
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together that we won't care to go  
any place, <sup>cause</sup> together we will be in  
our home. It won't make any  
difference where we are or  
anything. Darling, because we won't  
notice time, place or anything.



This waiting will be worthwhile,  
wait it honey. But it does seem  
so terribly long though don't it. But  
everything comes to those who waits.  
If one would just think about all  
that it would be too much. So if  
you really love someone, one can  
live on love and dreams of the  
future when it is as beautiful and  
one has such a good husband as you  
are darling. Remember love you  
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Pap & Emma are having, (Pete  
and his daughter and her folks  
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ducks. I called him yesterday  
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been down in quite a while.

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race between me & the mail man,  
so I will say Remember, I love  
you & always Will.

Do you ever hear from Chuck?  
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