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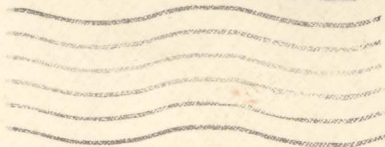
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A. P. O. 78



Free



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

Mar. 26, '43  
Camp Butner H. C.

Good Morning Sweetheart,

7:55 Friday morning. We've just finished police detail. In English that means cleaning up the grounds. Here I go again. Man said, "All out."

12:45 noon.

I think I have about fifteen minutes ~~so I'll get a few more lines~~, this sure is a race. I'll try and write a little everytime I get a chance, and that way I'll send you a letter as near to every day as I can.

We had some more marching drill this morning. That's an everyday occurrence. We also had some practice in wire splicing and knot tying. That stuff comes under the heading of construction. I



Hudson sedan, and writing against the rear window.

In about 25 minutes you'll be getting out of work. Gee, I wish I could be waiting outside the shop for you. You wouldn't mind having me try to pick you up. Would you, Sweetie?

Some of my letters may be kind of short, darling, but I figure I'll just write what I can in the time I have, and get them mailed. It'll be better to get a short letter every day than a long one every 2 or 3 days.

When you get around to it, honey, will you send me six or eight clothes hangers? Here I have a foot locker,

imagine that they'll give us a little bit of everything. Then they'll give us tests on all of it, and whatever we make out best on that's what will be put in.

It's two minutes to one. Time to get back on the ball. Will be called out at one o'clock. It sure will be nice when I can sit down and write you a letter from start to finish. Outside of being pressed for time tho' I feel swell.

2:30 P.M.

I'm standing outside the infirmary. I've just had 2 shots. My second typhoid shot, and the first tetanus. There were four platoons of us. We file in in alphabetical order so I was one of the first ones in and out. It's a beautiful day. Just clouding over. We'll probably have rain tonite. I'm leaning up against a '41

and I can hang some of my clothes up. It sure beats living out of a barracks bag all the time.

Tonite is a big clean up nite around the barracks. The brass hats come around and inspect every Saturday. Along with radio school it looks like well be kept pretty busy this evening.

How's our automobile running, dear? Do you get a chance to drive much? I'd like to bring one of these jeeps home with me. Have it for a town car. They sure are slick. I'm just about to the bottom of the page and I won't have time to write much more so I'll say so long, sweetie. I'll try and do better next time. Your lover, Jack

[JACK P. BELL CORRESPONDENCE MARCH 1943 – APRIL 1943 #4]

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78th. Signal Co. 78th. Div

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Camp Butner, N.C.

stamp, with print text

A.P.O 78

“CAMP BUTNER / N.C”

encircling date:

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