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NOTICE TO AIRCRAFT INSPECTORS

Department 78 has had quite a run on leaves of absence, and in view of the fact that there has been no let-down in the amount of work at this end of the line, we cannot grant any more time off unless for an unusual reason.

- Clarence Schroeder.

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GUARD DE WREST

Dearest Sweetheart,

May 13,

Well, now I can tell you about about our trip to Cleveland yesterday. Well we were supposed to get started around 6 or before. Well, you know maced, the last minute she calls up all out of breath could we possibly wait till 6:30 any way we didn't get started till almost 7:00. We got to Cleveland around 8. Then we went to Gayells and ate. We had very good meals. I had ham and it was swell. and then we went to the show. It was pretty good. after that it was about 12:00. So we started home and we got just outside of Rocky River and there was a soldier bumming so all the girls wanted to pick him up so I stopped and he crawled in the back seat. The girls kind of drubled up. The fellow's name is Bob something, I forgot and he had seen overseas duty. He was an arial Gunner (like chud) and he had been wounded in action. He was now stationed at Jefferson Barracks, Mo. He was a real nice fellow

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Say, Sweetheart, there is a girl that
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married to some fellow from O'berlin.
He is in the navy now. His name is
Bob Yunker. Do you know him?
She was married before and has a
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I enclose an article that appeared
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Your own

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