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



# Camp Butner. NORTH CAROLINA 9125, 1943

Dearest sweetheart,

I can hardly believe it, a little time

for myself. It's Tuesday mite, and if nothing comes along it's all mine.

I just finished the cake. Boy was that ever a swell one. My favorite kind. The soap came just at the right time too, honey. I just ran out today so it was really nice to have a bar to use. Now honey, I'm not complaining, but I know you want to know what I like or dislike so don't send any there's no need for you to buy them, and then pay postage to send them down here.

We had a lot of fun here in the barracks toute. One of the fellows got an electric clipper from home in today's mail. So he whipped it out, and a fellow in our squad wanted a haircut. Phil, the owner of the clipper started the job, but the guys ear. I took over, and cut quite a bit of his hair, then another fellow took a shot at it, and by the time we got thru, our victim was ready a sight. We all had a good laugh he keeps his cap on. I think all keep on paying for my hair cuts, It's cheaper.

Darling, do you want to know a little secret? I love you, when I come home. It will be so wonderful to live a good domestic life with my sweetheart. You're such a darling

wife you're allways so good to me. It makes things lots easier having a honey like you pulling for me, and keeping our little home together while I'm gone. We have so much to look forward to, baby.

It's raining again. We can use a little, but I hope you're not getting anymore at home. after 23 or 24 days of it, it weather.

That was a plenty smooth outfit that you described for jourself, darling. What a thrill it will be when I can see you in it.

Remember how I always used to pester you to put on a little outfit? Then once in a while you would, and I'd be so happy. I had our little mooky I allways felt so much. Then after we Oh, darling what a wolf I'll be when I come home. A real tiger in the budoir.

Sweetie, I have your picture in front of me so I'm really tothing to you in this letter. I like both poses real well, you get more beautiful every day, buby 7 ink. I don't know how you do it because you allways have been the most beautiful woman in the whole wide world. I'm so provid of you, durling. You are so sweet, just like a little petal. I mean rose petal. Remember how we used to joke about that? I'm allways thinking of the little things we used to do, and we're going to do when I come home.

One day is so much like another around here that about the only time there's anything to write about camp is when somebody gets a haircut. (haha) But I like to write everyday, and have a little chat with my sweetie. So darling if I send you a big bear huy and some kisses will you send them back by return mail & you will - OK Good nite, sweetheart. See you in my dreams, your Own,

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Mrs. Jack Bell 345 W. River St. Elyria, Ohio [[Page 2-Letter]]

[[letterhead- Camp Butner, North Carolina]]

May 25, 1943

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Remember how I allways used to pester you to put on a little outfit? Then once in a while you would, and I'd be so happy.

I used to enjoy those little sessions so much. Then after we had our little nooky I allways felt so relaxed, and peaceful.

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Your Own, [[underline]] Jack [[/underline]]