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N.C.

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Elyria O.



July 1.

Darling Sweetheart,

It's July already. And it's damn chilly. I had to wear a coat to work this morning. First time in ages. We are going to have Monday the 5th off. So I shall have two days in a row off. Gosh that sure will seem swell. I'd like to get my house cleaned up, but I suppose I won't.

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we can really enjoy ourselves, and
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to have, that I want you all to
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minute that you are away from
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of me that I always feel as though
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constantly in my mind that I always
imagine if I think hard enough of
you the thought will carry down
to North Carolina and your thoughts
will be of me. Do you ever think
of me that way? Oh Baby dear

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you are my very life and joy. When ever
I even think about you I get happy.
you are such a happy little thought.
I can always imagine standing in front
of me looking down at me and smiling
in your own sweet way. On the way
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of the line so I guess I'll say so long
to the dearest, sweetest, soldier in
the whole U.S. army.
Lots of hugs & kisses.

your own
Frank

[[Nick Dante 3/24/16]]

[[Bell Correspondence #1]]

[[Page 1- Envelope-Front]]

[[image- purple three cents U.S. postage stamp]]

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Pvt. John P. Bell

78th. Sig. Co. A.P.O. 78

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