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Jack P. Bell

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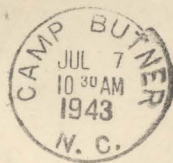
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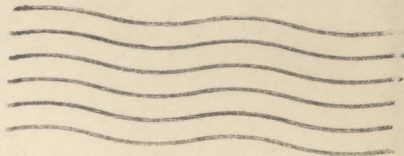
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Camp Butner, N. C.



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

July 6, 1943

Dearest Sweetheart,

How is my darling lover today? Fine I hope.

This letter I'll mostly answer the questions you asked me in your letter today.

Don't worry about the mail service, sweetie. Sometimes it slows up, and I go a day without a letter, but the next day I usually get two so even if they're late I get them, and I don't mind getting my sweetie's letters double at all.

About the furlough, honey. This division is made up almost entirely of new men like myself. We're all supposed to get furloughs. Now they can't let everyone go at once. They are letting 15%. Now they can't let everyone go at once. They are letting 15%. It comes out at a time. That's approximately two thousand men. It comes down to companies the same way - 15%. We have to put in our application, and they'll tell us when we can go. I applied for mine yesterday. Now all I can do is wait impatiently.

I haven't had too much K.P. duty. In fact they slipped up on it for a couple of weeks. I should get it every twenty days. The Saturday I was out on the range should have been my turn, but for some reason they had a different crew working. You know I'm always a good boy, sweetie.

The 78th. Division is part of the twelfth Corp which is a corp in the Second Army. You see in the army orders come from Washington to the army - army relays these orders to corp - Corp to division - division to company - company commander to the lieutenants - loops to non coms - non coms to us privates. That's the general idea anyway, and inspections are much the same way. No matter how big they get they always have to take orders from someone, and report progress back to the superior.

Well, sweetie I guess that answers some of your questions so now I'll get to the important part of the letter. I love you, baby, and I can hardly wait till I'll be in your arms



hugging and kissing you so we will both keep our fingers  
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Your graham cracker  
boy,

Jack

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