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Dear sweetie,

This will have to be written on U.S. paper again as I've just run out of stationery.

Slept soundly today so it gives me a chance to look around the barracks. I haven't done much, but I'll earn my room and board on guard duty tonight. I sure appreciate a chance to sit around during the day once in a while. The radio is playing and it's nice and restful. I got a chance to wash out some towels and underwear this morning.

I'm looking forward to my furlough and getting excited. How wonderful it will be to be with you, sweetie. We'll just cram so much happiness into the short time that I'll be home. I certainly hope I can be home over a weekend. We'll step out a bit. Where would you like to go, honey? Just name it. Boy, it's going to feel good to wear my civilian clothes when I'm in the house. I never did care much about a uniform. Oh, baby, I have so much to look forward to, my sweet little wife and I together in our home. It will be heaven on earth.

The way they usually work it is to have the furlough start at one minute...
after midnight (kind of screwy, huh?) they tell you if you have it just a few hours before. I can get a bus to Henderson at a quarter to one so I'll go over there, and sleep a few hours, the train we take leaves around 8 o'clock in the morning. I'll send you a telegram telling you where to meet me and when. So keep your fingers crossed, love.

10 P.M.

Well, darling I really got a nice break on guard duty to night. I'm all thru now as another fellow and I stood guard in P.K no. 15, 4:30 to 10. I'll stand for half an hour, and then he'll take over, and I'll loaf for a half. I can sleep in my own bunk. Lots nicer than walking a post and walking shifts all nite long. I guess I almost consumed my weight in Coca-Cola to night. It's turned summer again and really hot.

Sweetie, I love you. You're a sweet cutie and a cute sweetie, and you're such a wonderful lover. I'll send you lots of big bear hugs and bunches of juicy kisses. I'm going to bed now, and dream of you, darling. Goodnight sweetheart.

Your sweetheart,

Jack
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78th. Sig. Co. A.P.O. 78  
Camp Butner, N. C.  

Mrs. Jack Bell  
345 W. River St.  
Elyria, Ohio
July 15, 1943

Dearest sweetie,

This will have to be written on G.I. paper again as I’ve just run out of stationery.

I’m room orderly today so it gives me a chance to look around the barracks. I haven’t done much, but I’ll earn my room and board on guard duty tonite. I sure appreciate a chance to sit around during the day once in a while. The radio is playing, and it’s nice and restful. I got a chance to wash out some towels and underwear this morning.

I’m looking forward to my furlough, and getting excited. How wonderful it will be to be with you, sweetie. We’ll just cram so much happiness into the short time that I’ll be home. I certainly hope I can be home over a weekend. We’ll step out a bit. Where would you like to go, honey? Just name it. Boy, it’s going to feel good to wear my civilian clothes when I’m in the house. I never did care much about a uniform. Oh, baby I have so much to look forward to, my sweet little wife and I together in our home. It will be heaven on earth.

The way they usually work it is to have the furlough start at one minute
After midnite (kind of screwy, huh?) They tell you if you have it just a few hours before. I can get a bus to Henderson at a quarter to one so I’ll go over then, and sleep a few hours. The train we take leaves around 8 o’clock in the morning, I’ll send you a telegram telling you where to meet me and when. So keep your fingers crossed, lover. 10P.M.

Well, darling I really got a nice break on guard duty tonite. I’m all thru’ now as another fellow and I stood guard in PX no. 15. 4:30 to 10. I’d stand for half an hour, and then he’d take over, and I’d loaf for a half. I can sleep in my own bunk. Lots nicer than walking a post, and walking shifts all nite long. I guess I allways consumed my weight in Coca Cola tonite. It’s turned summer again, and really hot.

Sweetie, I love you. You’re a sweet cutie and a cute sweetie, and you’re such a wonderful lover. I’ll send you lots of big bear hugs and bunches of juicy kisses. I’m going to bed now, and dream of you, darling. Goodnite sweetheart.

Your sweetheart.

[Underline] Jack [Underline]