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## 1944-10-15, Jack to Evabel

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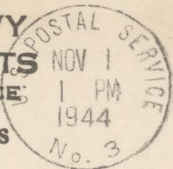
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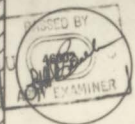
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508 WEST STREET  
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A.S.N. 35052495  
78TH. SIGNAL CO. A.P. 878  
c/o P.M. STR. NEW YORK, N.Y.  
(Sender's complete address above)

Sunday Oct. 15, 1944

Dearest wife,

We had a mail call aboard ship today. Mail they didn't have time to distribute before we left. Two letters from you, honey, and one from sis. Sucky me.

I knew Florence would be pestering you to stay longer than you'd planned. She can be quite trying at times - so unreasonable. Was glad to hear that Frank would be going over for a while.

Hope you got the windshield wipers fixed, sweetie. Tell me about it when you write.

The ocean was pretty today, a little rough, but so far I feel O.K.

Cigarettes are only fifty cents a carton here. Most other items are a little higher than the usual PX prices tho'.

Well sweetie, I'll say so long for now. I love you, and think of you allways. Lots of hugs and kisses,

Your Own,  
Jack

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