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Jack P. Bell World War Two Correspondence #424

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Nov. 27, 1944
In Belgium

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Looks like I'll have a few minutes to talk to my baby so I'll see if I can catch you up on some of the recent happenings.

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This afternoon I met a nice young couple, and visited their home for a few minutes. They could speak a few words of English, and I'm getting so I can usually make a person understand what I want to say so I was showing them pictures of you, and the fellow pipes up, "A movie star!" So you see, sweetheart, the Belgians appreciate beauty too.
Please excuse the pencil, honey, but old man Schaeffer is running out of ink so I'll just save what's left to address this.

Darling, when I come home remind me to be careful, and not break your ribs 'cause you are going to be hugged as you've never been hugged before. You're such a sweetheart I never tire of telling you how much I love you, and I hope you never tire of hearing me say it. What good times we'll have again when all this mess is just a memory. Just like before, only better if that's possible, and I guess it could be at that 'cause it seems I love you so very much that I just couldn't love you anymore, and yet every day I love you more and more. What is this strange power you have over me?

I'm going to catch a little sleep now. See you in my dreams, honey. All my love, and lots of kisses.

Yours always,

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