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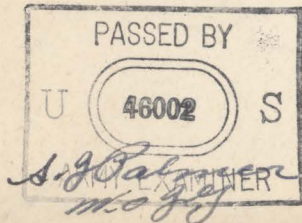
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Pvt. John P. Bell 35052495  
78th. Signal Co. A.P.O. 78  
C/o Pst. Mstr. New York, N.Y.



Mrs. Jack Bell  
352  $\frac{1}{2}$  West Street  
Elyria, Ohio



Dec. 5, 1944  
In Belgium

Dearest Sweetheart,

My box of stationery got washed so if this paper looks kind of beat up, that's the reason. Haven't had any mail for two days, but it comes in bunches when it does so I can't complain.

Cigarettes came in tonite so now I have five packs to work on.

You probably knew that Ken Walker's wife had a baby boy. Maude told me in her letter. He's working at the plant again.

You'll find a money order for thirty dollars enclosed, honey. I would have sent it with the other one, but I had some French francs to get rid of, and Burley didn't want to fool around with both kinds of money.

I picked you up a little souvenir, Sweetie. A small pair of wooden shoes so now if I ever find a box to put them in you'll be getting them one of these days.

As we get closer to winter I think of those happy evenings we used to spend curled up with a book. I haven't done much reading lately, have you?



It sure would be great if I could run across Jim while I'm over here. I should be getting his address pretty soon. The four of us had a swell time a year ago last September. Remember when we walked into Heilmann's, and Jim pipes up, "It's time for Chow."

Darling, have I reminded you lately that you are my cute sweetie, and my sweet cutie, and I love you very, very much. All my love, and lots of kisses,

Your Own,  
Jack

[JACK P. BELL CORRESPONDENCE APR 1944 – Dec 1944 #36]

[Page 1 – Envelope]

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[[Image: Military post-

mark stamp, print text

“U.S. ARMY / POSTAL

SERVICE” encircling date:

“DEC 6 / 1944 / 4 30 PM”]]

[[Image: Embossed

6-cent orange post stamp

with a prop plane in flight,

with text: “U.S. POSTAGE /

VIA AIR MAIL”]]

Mrs. Jack Bell

352 1/2 West Street

Elyria, Ohio

[[Image: Censor’s Stamp with print text:

“PASSED BY

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ARMY EXAMINER” ]]

[[Censor’s hand, over stamp:]] S. J Palmer

M.O JG

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