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DEPARTMENTS**

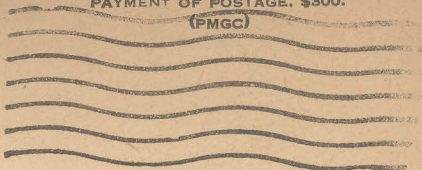
**V-MAIL SERVICE**

**OFFICIAL BUSINESS**



**PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID  
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300.**

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TO MRS. JACK BELL  
352 1/2 WEST STREET  
ELYRIA, OHIO

From  
Pvt. JOHN P. BELL 28051760  
(Sender's name) PLANT 4404  
DET. OF PATIENTS HOSP.  
(Sender's address)  
APO 63 5/6 PM. NEW YORK  
JAN. 9, 1945  
(Date)

In England

Dearest darling,

No news to write sweets, but I wanted to say hello.

I've read several books since I've been here. More than I've read in months. There's a radio here. All the programs are recorded, but good.

We get more candy here than I was getting on the continent. So I've been trading part of my candy ration for cigarettes. So I've been doing ok. Oh smokes.

I still have those wooden shoes I told you about. So far I haven't been able to get anything to pack them in, but I'll hang on to them for you.

So long for now, darling. All my love, and lots of hugs and kisses to the dearest and sweetest and best wife in all the world.

Yours Own,  
Jack

V MAIL

[[Bell Correspondence #3]]

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Mrs. JACK BELL  
352 ½ WEST STREET  
ELYRIA, OHIO

Pvt. John P. Bell 35052495  
Det. of Patients Hosp. Plant 4149  
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