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WILDUNGEN, JUNE 28, 1945

DARLING WIFE,

I GOT TWO VERY SWEET LETTERS FROM YOU TONITE. ONE WAS THE V LETTER YOU WROTE JUNE 20TH. AND ALSO THE AIRMAIL OF THE 21ST. I JUST GOT BACK FROM MANNHEIM, IT'S 160 MILES FROM HERE. WE MADE A TWO DAY TRIP OF IT.

HOW DO YOU LIKE THE NEW TYREWRITER, SWEETIE? I BOUGHT IT THE OTHER DAY FOR TEN BUCKS. IT HAS ALL CAPITALS ON IT, BUT I THOUGHT WHEN I GET BACK TO THE STATES I COULD HAVE THE KEYS CHANGED, AND WE'LL HAVE A GOOD TYPEWRITER. WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THAT, HONEY?

THAT CHRISTMAS CARD YOU SENT ME FROM HENDERSON MUST HAVE BEEN ON THE BOTTOM OF THE PILE FOR A LONG TIME, HONEY. DID THEY HAVE ANY REASON MARKED FOR NOT DELIVERING IT? SOMETIMES THIS MAIL SERVICE CAN BE EXCELLENT, AND OTHER TIMES THEY GET IT MESSED UP, BUT GOOD.

I HAD TO LAUGH WHEN YOU TOLD ME ABOUT YOU AND DOLLY GETTING DAD A WALLET. WHEN I WAS IN BRUSSELS I BOUGHT ONE FOR HIM TOO. I'D BETTER GET HOME PRETTY SOON SO WE CAN KEEP THINGS STRAIGHT. A FELLOW CAN ALWAYS USE AN EXTRA WALLET THO' I GUESS.

WE'VE HAD A BIT OF RAIN FOR TWO DAYS IN A ROW, AND IT'S MUCH COOLER NOW. HOT WEATHER JUST CAN'T SEEM TO LAST AROUND HERE.

THIS TOWN OF MANNHEIM IS ABOUT FIFTY MILES SOUTH OF FRANKFURT ON MAIN. THERE ARE A LOT OF BRIDGES OUT ON THE AUTOBAHN NEAR FRANKFURT SO THEY ROUTE YOU THRU' THE TOWN. I THINK CHUCK MADE A FEW RAIDS ON IT. IN FACT HE PROBABLY SAW MOST ALL OF THIS COUNTRY FROM THE AIR.

DARLING HAVE I REMINDED YOU LATELY HOW MUCH I LOVE YOU. YOU'RE SUCH A SWEET SWEETHEART. I MISS YOU MORE EVERY DAY, SWEETIE, AND I'M JUST EXISTING TILL WE CAN BE TOGETHER AGAIN. WE HAD SUCH A WONDERFUL LIFE, HONEY. JUST BEING WITH YOU IS PARADISE, DARLING. YOU'RE SUCH A SWEET PERSON TO LIVE WITH. WE ALWAYS SEEMED TO BE ABLE TO SHARE EACH OTHERS MOODS, DIDN'T WE, SWEETIE?

I'LL BET YOU WERE IN THE HEIGHT OF YOUR GLORY HELPING LENA PICK OUT A DRESS, WEREN'T YOU HONEY? SORT OF WISH I COULD HAVE JOINED YOU THE NITE SHE SERVED SPAGHETTI AND MEAT BALLS. LENA ALWAYS COULD MAKE DELICIOUS SPAGHETTI.

I GOT A LETTER FROM BILL TONITE, AND HE SAYS HE'S IN 1-A. I SURE HOPE HE DOESN'T HAVE TO COME IN THE ARMY. IF THIS DAMN WAR WOULD ONLY END.

YES, HONEY I'D SURE LIKE TO BE GETTING HOME, BUT I CAN CONSIDER MYSELF LUCKY THE LONGER I STAY OVER HERE. EVERY TIME I GO TO HIT THE O I HIT THE I. MY FINGERS ARE ALL THUMBS.

I'M ENCLOSING MILLIONS OF HUGS AND KISSES, AND ALL MY LOVE.  
YOUR OWN,

*Jack*