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MRS. JACK BELL

345 W. RIVER STREET
ELYRIA, OHIO
DARLING FINK,

THIS PROBABLY WONT BE MUCH OF A LETTER DARLING AS THERE ISN'T TOO MUCH TO WRITE, BUT MOSTLY I WANTED TO TELL YOU THAT I'M BEING TRANSFERRED TUESDAY. I'M GOING TO ONE OF THE ARTILLERY BATTALIONS IN THE DIVISION, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT FROM THERE I'LL PROBABLY GO TO A QUARTERMASTER UNIT IN FRANCE. I DON'T KNOW EXACTLY WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT YET, BUT I GUESS IT HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH THIS CLOSE OUT FORCE. THE DIVISION IS STRICTLY OCCUPATIONAL NOW, AND I SUPPOSE ALL MEN WITH MORE THAN 44 POINTS WILL START LEAVING. I'LL LET YOU KNOW MORE FROM TIME TO TIME AS I FIND OUT MYSELF. ANY WAY I THINK IT'S A STEP ON THE HOMeward JOURNEY.

REMEMBER A YEAR AGO TODAY SWEETIE? IT WAS A SATURDAY, AND WE'D JUST BEEN ALERTED. I CALLED YOU ON THE PHONE, AND YOU CAME OUT TO PICKETT, AND YOU ALSO CAME OUT SUNDAY. I'M GLAD THIS YEAR IS PAST HONEY, AT LEAST WE CAN START LOOKING FORWARD TO MY COMING HOME SOMETIME AFTER NEW YEAR.

I SLEPT TILL NOON TODAY. THAT'S MY USUAL SUNDAY ROUTINE. IT'S GOING TO BE SO WONDERFUL WHEN I'M HOME, AND WE CAN GO FOR AN ICE RIDE ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON. THIS IS A LOVELY TIME OF YEAR FOR A TRIP, WELL AS FAR AS THAT GOES, I GUESS ANY TIME OF YEAR IS GOOD FOR A TRIP, ISN'T IT SWEETIE? I READ IN THE AUGUST 27 EDITION OF TIME THAT ALL RATIONING WILL PROBABLY BE OFF TIRES WITHIN FOUR MONTHS. THAT'S THREE MONTHS FROM NOW. I THINK OUR TIRES WILL PULL THRU' THE DURATION WONT THEY HONEY?

THE SKY REALLY LOOKS LIKE WINTER IS COMING. IT'S BEEN SO GRAY LATELY. IT'S REALLY NOT SO COLD OUT TODAY THO'. I LET THE FIRE GO OUT LAST NITE, AND IT'S NOT TOO COOL IN THE R
ROOM.

WELL SWEETIE I GUESS THAT'S ABOUT ALL I KNOW FOR THIS TIME. MAYBE IF I GET SOME LETTERS THIS EVENING I'LL GET UP A LITTLE INSPIRATION FOR ANOTHER ONE. I'M ENCLOSING MILLIONS OF HUGS AND KISSES AND ALL MY LOVE TO THE DEAREST AND SWEETEST AND BEST WIFE IN ALL THE WORLD.

YOUR OWN,

Jack