

To the sweetest girl in the world, My wife:

Hello again darling, here is your old man again, and dearest your husband is more in love today than he was yesterday. Why, because dear as each day passes my love for you grows & grows. Oh gee honey, I'm so very much in love with you. If I could only put down on paper just how very much in love with you that I am. Dear I would have to write a library on it. Dearest, you mean so much to me. I've loved you ever since that day at the Fed. and it's grown every day. Honey, we have been so happy together. Why do we have to be apart? But someday honey, we'll make up for this lost time.

Honey, I was thinking today that you asked me about buying a bookcase. Yes dear you go out and get one. But dear when you get one get a fancy one & also one that matches our front room furniture. And get Ernie Pyle's two books & put in it for me. It will have to be a big one to hold all your scrap books & things. And then I can put all my souvenirs in it too, right on the ends.

Boy honey, you could sure have a field day on my back & face now. I haven't taken a bath for just about a month & my face being dirty all the time really brings out the blackheads. I don't have time anymore to stand in front of the mirror & pick like I used to & you'd holler your head off. And dear remember how I used to sit on the John for an hour at a time. Honey, if I could just sit on one now just to do my business instead of having to carry a shovel around with you & dig a small hole in the ground. So honey, if you see me when I get home going to the back yard with a shovel in one hand & the stars & stripes in the other hand don't be surprised. I'm just in the habit of it. Honey, things are so funny when you stop & think about them. And dear don't be surprised if I only use a spoon to eat with besides my fingers. That's all we use over here. But all the crazy things that we do over here, we still think of home.

Right now we are planning on what we will do when we first get home, because the end looks so near. Jerry just can't hang on much more. And darling, you know what you & I are going to do when I first get home. Just love & love & then love some more.

Well darling, what are you doing these days and how is your dad & Mitzi. I remember when I was home your dad was talking about working at Fields. He'll be there honey working when the war is over.

Well honey, I'd better close for today. So sweetheart bye & honey remember that I love you with all my lonely heart. Dear, please don't worry too much about me. I'll be o.k. you just keep saying those prayers for me & I'll hurry home to my little sweetheart who I love with all my heart. Tell Pop hello & pet Mitzi for me.

Your loving husband forever & ever honey,

Jim

P.S. Loads of kisses honey

P.S. Each mark is 10 cents so 1 bill is \$1.00 of the 50 cent German invasion money.