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Darling Johnny: —

Being school is over I'll have lots more time for writing but please, honey, don't think I expect you to answer them all. I know you're very busy so naturally just write when you have time or when you're in the mood!

I have your letter of June 13 before me now where you asked me not to be disappointed in you because of your bad breaks. Now, Johnny, as I said in another letter, all I care about is that you're okay. After all, we all are human and because of that we'll make mistakes.

Also, I hope your ankle is okay and your right hand. Gosh you've really had your share of trouble! I'm glad to hear that my picture aids you in writing to me!

Oh boy, you can sure spin the blarney, sweets, when you said you'd only care to learn to type in order to sit near me. However, I also think it's a swell idea—that of sitting near you. But probably you'd never care to stop in at old Jersey City to see me when you have the lovely femmes from New Haven, Conn.! But anyway, I hope you will find time someday!

I saw the actual film on "Tarawa[1]," the same as you. However perhaps they didn't show us it all for it only lasted about ¾ hour. However, I agree with you that they should show it to civilians in order to wake them up. The part that especially "got" me was at the end when it showed in color the Marine in the water—face down! Perhaps I shouldn't mention such gloomy things to you but I figured you saw it anyway. My girlfriend in school has a

[1]The Battle of Tarawa, in the Pacific Theatre of World War II, was largely fought from November 20 to November 23, 1943.

brother who was in the battle for Tarawa. He was slightly wounded. Thought of this now!

I can always understand your printing so don't worry about trying to enlarge it! Don't forget, I wish I could print as well as you. Nothing is "cooking" in Jersey! Things are pretty dull—or perhaps I should say "routine!" However I am looking forward to going roller skating this fall! A boyfriend of mine (Army) is getting a furlough from California Sept. 12 so perhaps he'll also do some skating! At least then we'll have some male companionship!

Probably I'm stupid but I don't exactly get what you mean by an "interesting" answer when you say "what's cooking?" However being you're a man—and especially a Marine—I have quite a good idea of what you mean so perhaps you need not explain!

Heh there! What are you contemplating—polygamy ie: — the practice of having more than one wife at the same time! Gosh, that would be funny! Yes, honey, I think you'd manage to support six wives just to ease a national calamity! However, do me a favor and let me be one of the six because I think you'd be a good "provider" although I don't know whether or not I'll enjoy sharing a man with five others! I'm too possessive for that I guess! Gee would not that be queer if we Americans had to resort to polygamy in order to "marry off" the girls! Personally I think I'd prefer being an old maid to just being "one of the crowd!"

Really, Johnny, I have no exciting news! All I know is that I'm very busy at my office in West New York and you wouldn't want to hear about that for then you'd be bored stiff!

I'll have to start wearing my fall clothes now that summer is going—and (darn it) start spending money on silk hose! At work, we girls get more "runs" in our stockings. Someday bosses will fix desks and files so that they're smooth.

So long, for now with lots of love and kisses! Good Luck!

x x Love Corinne x x [Transcription ends]