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Saturday
9 December, 1944
Somewhere in Germany.

Excuseous love,

The mail man was kind to me today and presented me with 3 letters from you (an air mail dated 29 Nov., 2 V-mail letters dated 25 and 27 Nov.), a letter from Ukie and a letter from Kitty Spent. Darling, V-mail may reach you more quickly but air mail reaches me before I receive V-mail. Naturally, my love, I welcome all letters with open arms.

That's swell! So the Melnikoffs got a brand new baby girl. They're both swell kids and I shall drop them a line wishing them happiness. By the way, the baby was born on Sanford's birth day.

By this time you have already made a blood contribution. Nice going, baby doll! I only hope that everybody felt that way. That blood plasma is sure a wonderful boon to life-saving and with additional casualties naturally more blood is needed.

Sweetheart, you know it's strange but I, too, have thought of us, you and I in past "strained" situations. An example of which is the incident of the stolen bag, also the curtailed leave in Colorado. Yes, sweets we have been genuine companions and have leaned upon each other for strength and fortitude. Excuse this, but the previous

phase also offers opportunity for a "sexy" remark. Yes darling, we have also leaned upon each other for other things (?) too. All right, so I'm frustrated!

Today, we had a taste of snow flurries but as soon as the snow hit the ground it melted. Some of the men here have picked up skis, etc and are ready to welcome old man winter. I'll bet Cleveland is enjoying wonderful weather these days! How would you like to be back in San Antonio.

I'm going to check into the Bond matter again and give you full details later.

Golly, the Col. and Major Antambul are a laugh here among the officers. They don't command the respect of the officers and actually the battalion seems to run by itself. The Br. Comdr is only interested in saluting and "policing" up the area. Who cares about enemy shelling etc. and enemy planes? The important thing is that the area is properly "policed". An example of the above proved extremely amusing today when the Col (4. Col) ordered Shelton to find the individual who threw unissued navaion outside and immediately break him, if the "culprit" happened to be a Non-Com. Natural they are the laughing stock of the outfit but total war includes everything.

Abi-yuzent! We have a lot of fun
here and a hell of a good time!
If I had you here, I wouldn't mind
being here for awhile.

The article which reported the
lecture of Mr. Edman was practically the
same as your comments. Darling, when
you review a lecture, etc. it's needless to
send me any newspaper account. I'm
satisfied with your review.

Honey girl, I am enclosing
Kitty Speers' letter which I received
today and shall answer pronto.

Bye for now. dear the boys
are hounding me to play a "cut throat"
game of Casino so I'll say good
night. my precious.

From your ardent lover,
D. V. in