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LETTER NINETY NINE-EDITH TO VIC

Wednesday, 11/22/44, 9:00 p.m.

My dearest darling,

The radio is "blaring" Oklahoma & I don't blame the state if they adopt it for their song--it's grand--full of vim & vigor! Gosh, honey, I can't listen to any music without getting a lump in my throat & remembering some incident we enjoyed together. Just now a scene flashed thru my mind--remember when we went over to the Sandler's apt so Cap't Shaw could hear "I Can't Say No" & other songs from Oklahoma--well, the scene I remember is walking the Cap't to the bus. Funny workings of a mind--huh?

I hate to listen to "Duffy's Tavern" cause it always reminds me of Alexandria & listening to the program while waiting for you to come into one of your usual 8-10 p.m. suppers! Gosh, sweetheart, even the "roughest" times were swell as long as we were together. I love you so very much--you're everything to me!

Didn't feel very well all day today--just kind of lonesome & blue--but when I got home & found your letter I felt better. Your letter was dated 10/27, so I didn't learn anything new about where you are. However, it was still swell to get a letter.

Also, I rec'd a beautiful, mellow shade of red sweater (80% cashmere-20% wool) from Mort for my birthday. I really was surprised & pleased. He sent Dad two lovely ties for Xmas & I imagine Mom & Uk's presents are on the way.

Mort called this evening & we all talked to him-he sounds

swell, but he hinted that it won't be long before he'll say "goodbye" to the states again.

Mort's copy of the Ohio State Monthly came to the house, & I think you might know these people, so here's the news about them:

Lt. Col. Robert (Bob) Levine 26 yrs. old., (Ast W'39) came home (to Columbus) from Africa-Italy. Army Air Force 4 yrs.-83 combat hrs. on 160 missions. He has: Silver Star, DFC, Air Medal, 11 Oak Leaf Clusters, & Croix de Guerre.

Cap't Les Caplan, (BA'33, M.D.'36) flight surgen in Italy-been on 120 missions

Cap't Franklin D. Rodagaugh-Army Medic Corps in Burma

Born to Mr. & Mrs. Henry J. Jacoby, BChE, MSc'41 (Doris Goodman, Educ. '41) a daughter, Ruth Ellen. Mr. J. is an engineer for Wagner Co., supervising erection of cranes for Navy.

Married: Miss Marilyn I. Halpern to Cap't Jerome J. Friedman (Bus Adm, LLB '41) in Beverly Hills, Calif., Sept. 10)

Married: Miss Dorothy Altfield to Lt. Milland F. Bornstein, U.S.N.R., Bus. Adm., in Elyria.

Married: Marge Chalfin (Educ.) to Lt. Hy Silverman.

Married: Frances Ellen Sevin to Lt. Sam Shapiro, U.S.M.C.R.

Married: Esther Brales to Ensign Louis Katz, U.S.C.G.R. in Cleve. Sept. 30.

Guess that's all for now, except that you'll be both surprised & pleased to learn that I "balanced" our checking acc't tonite. I just got 3 mos. worth of checks & statement. I got the 2 \$30.00 checks

you cashed, but as yet, I haven't rec'd the one you cashed for \$20.00.
Rec'd \$150.00 for Nov. but only \$125.00 for Oct. I shall wait & see
what happens in Dec. & if I don't get the additional \$25.00 for Oct.
I'll send a letter.

Honey-I'm awfully tired-I think I'll "hit the hay".

All my love always,

Edith