my darling husband.

Golly, Harry, how many years is it since you were here.

I miss you so much. It seems at least ten years since we were together.

I'm sitting on a swing on Mr. Mosley's porch. It's so nice here.

The birds are all arguing with each other & there's a nice breeze.

Everyone in a while the 3 can ventures out but mostly, it looks
like usual.

I wrote more another letter because the one I wrote yesterday was really sad and I just couldn't wait it. It's really pitiful the way I can't write anybody but you. I can't even write my own family.

Golly, jeez, I love you so much. Every day seems so awful without you. I wish these seventeen days would hurry. Life just doesn't seem like anything without you.

Julie and I went to the movies last night and saw "Practically Yours." It was very cute. Fred MacMurray has a little cleft in his chin that reminded me of
you.

I should get started to town.

There are loads of things I was going to do today but who cares. Why do today what you can put off till tomorrow. No, I'd much rather invite to you -

Julie keeps forgetting Tus's glasses so I don't know when he'll get them. Probably when he gets back here.

What's Florida like, Henry?

Don't imagine you've seen very much.
of the scenery.

Julie said there were loads of

cars in Montgomery so maybe we
can find one. They probably cost
an arm and a leg, though.

Darling, it’s nice there.

It would be perfect if you were
with me. Everyone has really been

wonderful.

If it doesn’t rain today, I’m
going out to the Field and get my
pass or try to get it. Then I can
find that bulletin board and see

a place to live. You’d go mad
here.

It isn’t so bad at night
but during the day I’m afraid to
walk with my shoes on. They

echo through the house, it
sounds like a bowling alley.
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At night there's a G.I. and his wife here - they live - I mean they breathe. There's no hot water except when you heat it by some

.. possibly looking boiler affair. But it almost blew up when I tried to heat - Mrs. Moreley had to do it for me.

It looks so nice every time I open the closet to see your clothes there. I'm so glad that you left them - they do help
to keep me from getting homesick a little. That's silly, isn't it but they do. Just like sleeping in your pajamas makes me feel closer to you. They're going to be worn out before you sleep in them again. But just the hope you should see me. The shoulders come halfway down to my elbows and they're long enough for a short dress [very short]. But anyway, I like to sleep in them.

Darling, I wish you'd come back. I miss you so damned much. I just want to be close to you. To lie next to you on your shoulder while you smoke that last cigarette. Then wake up in the night and find that you're really here.

Oh, darling, I love you so much.
Guess that they've kept you really busy all the time. Hope that they give you a little time to write because a letter from you means so much. Darling, it's even lonelier after you're married. I sure hope these seventeen days go fast.

So far they haven't been too bad. Everything down here is so new to me and it's interesting. I enjoy being by myself sometimes. Not much since I met you but it could be much worse.
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Selma, Ala., 19

I love you so, my darling, and until I'm in your arms again every day will seem endless.

Miss Mosley asked me to have lunch with her. Just finished was very good, too. The Southern way sure cooks food differently but it’s good.

Golly, darling, I'll be so happy when you get back here again.
It seems so long since you went away. I love you so. My darling, I just can't believe that you're my husband. You're so wonderful and sweet and gentle. Honey, I could just write about how marvelous you are forever but you're apt to get conceited—so I'll just spend 3/4 of my time telling everyone else how wonderful you are and 1/4 telling you—

Poor Julie—she must get so tired of hearing about how much I love you and how cute you are and what a wonderful person you are. Every other word is held or my husband—

It seems so strange to be
introduced to people as Mrs. Clark. Nice though, when someone asks me my name I always have to hesitate a few seconds and then state mine. It's awful when I'm not expecting it, honey. But I love to tell them Mrs. Clark.

See, darling, you can't imagine how proud I am of you. I guess you have a stiffed surprise but you know how proud you are of your wings, being a bit. Well, I think
I'm about three times as proud as you are. Besides, I'm proud because yours so wonderful.

Well, darling, I went to town a while ago & went to the hotel to see if there was any mail from you but there wasn't. Soon as I got back Mrs. Mosley called me and said the hotel had called & there was a letter.

See, I wish I could get it now but there wasn't a bus for almost an hour. Mr. Mosley said he was going in to town and that I'd stop and get it for me. Golly, darling I hope it's from you. It must be. None else knows where I am. Of course I couldn't send that telegram to the photographers because
Selma, Ala., 19

Something happened to the paper that I wrote it on & I couldn't remember his name. It was same style as was it but can't remember what. You'll probably get the pictures down there. If you can send him a telegram tell him to send the pictures as proofs or whatever they are to me '9s the Hotel Albert.

They're so nice in that hotel.

Oh, honey, we have another room. The room itself is very nice.
it has one of those pool dots
water beakers & we share it with
three people. That's not too bad
do you think. The room has
a private entrance & is nice and
cool or didn't I tell you it
just as the devil deemed here now.
Golly, honey, I wish Mr. Mosely
would hurry & go into town. I'm
just about dying to see that
letter.

Was going to the Post today
but didn't get there. Now there's
really no need to. Except that
Julie & I may go to the Post Theater.
but I'd feel queer without you.

You should see my legs, honey.
They're all black & blue. What a
beating they've been taking. Can't
figure out how, where or when.
Selma, Ala.,

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Finally bought ink yesterday.
Oh, did I tell you I finally exhausted
the $25 that you gave me. It went
all of a sudden when I paid the
Hotel bill and paid a week in advance
here.

Well, darling, I'll be here until
two weeks from yesterday probably.

Oh, honey, before I definitely
take this other money what do
you think. A private bath is
just about impossible except in
the hotel but the room looked
Mr. Mc. Crea came to get me this morning and I've been here ever since. Mrs. Mc. Crea was here this time. Everyone sounded like usual. I'm looking forward to going back Sunday. Everyone was Monday. The phone rang at this house, want some followers. It was Monday or Tuesday. A friend got to Sunday. I have to wait back Sunday. It was Monday or Tuesday. I thought it was Monday or Tuesday. I got it to Sunday. It was Monday or Tuesday. I thought it was Monday or Tuesday.
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all night. I liked the private entrance idea & we must bolster anyone no matter what time we get in. It's much nearer to town.

but Parkman. About five blocks from the middle of town, I think.
Not near as far as I am now.

I have to call back Sunday.

Oh, golly, I just realized that today is Friday. Gee, I thought it was Monday or Tuesday. Gee, it scared me (the phone just went out) and I thought it was Sunday so I almost broke my neck to answer it but it was someone for Mrs. Morley. The phones from the houses next door sound like ours & I'm breaking my neck all the time. Everyone except me.

Mr. Mc has gone to get my letter for me. We'll probably
Selma, Ala.

My back in an iron box in the meantime I'll just die, Billy, darling. I love you.

I hope you come back feeling all nice and rested. You'll have to.

Oh, honey, I hope that you'll be able to be off the Post until the morning. Wonder if they'll give you a leave after you finish this course. I wish they'd give you a nice long one so that we could have a honeymoon.

Billy, it's almost our anniversary we've almost been married a week.
was supposed to be here.

What kind of a car did you want?

Henry? What year? Maybe some weekend we can drive (in the car) to Montgomery & get one - how much do cars cost? I suppose on a leg.

OK. I took out a library card today. Anything to keep me busy. I love writing letters. Mrs. Wm. Hudson Clark.

I'll just have to write Mother & Daddy tonight. They'll be worrying if I didn't write them last night but it was such a desperate letter. I
just can't write to anyone but you,
darling-

Darling a lot of officers are
coming home now. It would be
wonderful if you were here. I love you
so, just more than I'd ever
have believed possible-

Darling, I wish Mr. W. would
hurry back. I'm just about
dying for that letter. It would be
a tragedy if I didn't hear from you-
This suspense. I'll be gone soon!
You'll probably get this
either Sunday or Monday so
Happy anniversary, darling. I love
you so. It certainly has been an
unusual marriage. I'll say that
For it. I'm sure we'd be awfully
Happy together, but they just
don't want to let us-

Gee, Dany, it sure will be

wonderful when we're together again.

I'd like to move to this other room

on the day that you come back so

that we'll be together there for the

first night. Did I tell you that? $10

a week or $35 a month—huts see—whatevs.

There's nothing important for me

to tell you. My mind is on one track.

I love you. I love you, I love you.

I can still see you when

you left the other day.
in the door-looking like the most handsome man in the world & just being so cute. I hope we never have to be separated again. It's just like taking away part of the sun moon & stars & telling them to shine the way they used to.

How are Tom & O.A.? Dad think we'll ever get Tom's glasses mailed to Rein - well, that's probably just as well. They might break.

I just thought of something terrible. Maybe Mr. W. will forget to stop for the letter - wouldn't that be awful. I'm almost dying now - why doesn't he hurry.

Oh, Arma, I wish this war would end. It's ruined so many people's lives & will hurt so many more.

I've been sitting here daydreaming for almost half an hour.
Selma, Ala.

Darling, Mr. W. just brought your letter and it's been about fifteen minutes. I guess but I'm so happy to glad to hear from you. I'm in the nicest little boy now, darling. Annie so sweet.

Honey, I just can't believe that you are my husband - it's all like a dream now. Only not quite. It's too real. When I first got your letter I just sat and looked at it. The envelope looked so nice.

You mailed this on the 15th and I received it on the 16th. Just think we're
been married five days now.

I feel like you're overseas, too - what a place to send my husband. Oh honey, will they keep you there longer if the weather is bad? That would be awful. Golly, to me seventeen days seems like a year.

You'll be busy all the time. That's good. It's awful here. The more the days pass the longer they tend. I miss you more than you can imagine, honey.

Dear darling, we didn't have much of a chance to try 'married life' as everyone says but I guess things will be fine. I think we'll be ok.

It sure is tough being separated like this, lad. But I suppose it's better this way. Any longer we were together any longer we were together would have made it that much harder.
Selma, Ala.,

Seventeen days doesn't seem so long. If we were together for seventeen days, it sure would be short but being separated can make all the difference. I wish that I could be with you now, Carrick and just be restricted together. You will manage to live, all right, down there, I suppose.

Oh, Carrick, I'm sorry I forgot to endorse the check. That was silly—well, that will happen from breaking the $5.00. Hope you get loads of sleep down there. It will be good for you!

Honey, do you think we'll ever be
able to have some time together. It sounds like a wonderful dream. I'll be praying for good weather.

Well, honey, if you want us to have some money, it wouldn't be exactly fair to tell me to be a good girl. We have to eat.

But, darling seriously, I'm awfully lonesome. It will seem so long until we can be together again. I can be in your arms or be close to you.

Honey, have you any doubts? Are you sorry? I'm so afraid that you may decide that you've made a mistake especially after our little complications.

I love you, Jack, more than you'll ever know. Be careful, darling, and hurry back to me.

I love you so. I'll always be yours.

Your devoted wife,
Dottie