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19 December 1944

Somewhere in Germany

My most precious friend,

Thank goodness I've just finished distributing all the PX supplies to the battery so now I can set quietly. I hope
and write my letter as letter. The mailman
was very kind to me today bringing me two
air mail letters from you dated 1 and 10 July
a letter from Luton. A letter from the
Hamburges and believe it or not a 56th
army post from you dated 5 Nov. The
long time for transmission was no doubt
due to the fact I moved about so quickly
During your letter everything I
your new set-up. How very enlightening and
unpredictably new. I'm dead proud of you.
Sweetheart, I know so many mixed
emotions concerning you. I respect your
choices, I'm crazy about your cooking I-
admire your ability to be a far child, I
understand peoples for what they are, and
last but not least your ability to be a
perfect lover. Seriously, it's very easy to
love you requiring absolutely nothing on
my part whatsoever.

Sweetheart, you do know a big
job and loads of responsibility. But I'm
Sally, they say here has given the opportunity to run your own nursery for the way you would like it to be run.

Sally, I feel it was some job putting your nursery into operation. I got a neighbor's Church reading about the work that had to be done on the house.

Your thumb-nail sketches depicting the hill were excellent; I feel I would know them even if I met them on the street. I particularly liked your description of Mr. Brown and the reference to the heating and the food.

Sweetheart, I do wish that you consider your health along with your work. After all, when I come home I want to find a happy, healthy wife who is capable of making 'n' quilt for me.

If you think that your evening work at the Recreation Center is too much in addition to your present job, I wish that you find this work. Remember I want you to keep busy but please don't sacrifice health to obtain the object.

Sally, I went into town to get a salmon steak. I sat in the church for 40 minutes if was so lonely after the battle I went about the...
town to purchase some Christmas tree decorations. I could not find any. You might be interested to know that the store
in the town close to 2 bus every afternoon.

Just like Mexico-remember how we used
to spend our neste?"
I acquainted myself with a young man
who was a merchant in the department store
and after speaking with him for an hour
he said "You speak the best sense
I have yet heard an American speak."
I don't imagine he speaks with many
Americans.

leaving the store I hung into one
boy Capt Shaw & fellow (8 1/2") containing
which 2 rather nice looking women (4 oz)
they introduced me to her and learned
that she was native Holland, got a
college education in England, and spoke
English in Holland. She was working with the insurance in
the Office of civil affairs. She spoke
English perfectly and naturally accent.

Diplomacy both German and
French to her and continuus she
understood me perfectly. "But maybe
I am getting good shoes?"

Thus a rather pleasant feeling
existing in our part of Holland but which
does not prevent us from certain
..Continuing on from and some of the other former occupied countries, there are still left in Holland many young children. These young men have been two young girls picked off the street by the Swiss. Americans who take their food and water and receive at a (I don't blame them). The Dutch, you know are very productive people and the church (Catholics) has come out forbidding that Dutch girls go out with American soldiers. It is a local problem which doesn't mean much one way or another especially to me. It's time to speak here some Dutch Christmas.

I'm sending you this about the Dutch money.

Craige's letter (in blue) indicates that he has had a great year, a very successful year like them. He tells that the best thing about the New Year was the New Year's Have a happy New Year and that we are together and got along.

Darling, these people who have the attitude concerning the war (is) more than I can accept. In fact I have to control myself with this attitude. What will the Americans people do? Please pass on my opinion, these people of the situation.
Sometimes wonder. Have they kept out here died in vain? When will the damned Germans figure out that this is total war?

I'm glad you sent a package to Capt. Sloan. He's a good guy.

When you mentioned your who-you modeling mouth water I remember those delicious your ribs, honey. You could just eat 'em!

Besides, other than the above nothing happened. We just rolled dice to see who took turns out the letters. The regular mail has gone out.

Shelton

Good night, darling. I love you. Write my thanks.

Vic