

Service Club

Sunday 5/2/43

Honey - I have
spent the
entire day in-
doors, tidying



things up, listen-
ing to the radio &
at the same time
catching up on

correspondence. I write Frankie, Joe, Diana
(from whom I got a letter I enclosed) my
sister, and a couple of other relatives. I
have the pile of letters from you that lie
about & reveal before answering them. I
find the installment of the W. Gazette
even more enjoyable than usual. I
liked the annotated edition which you labelled
"Army notes" - remember? Well, I started
to think after that. It suddenly
struck me that possibly the doctor last
Sunday was thinking only of postponing
treatment, examination, or whatever he
thought might be necessary only to
that when he thought he slipped it
to somebody else, and then really
burdened staff & patients had would
have an additional problem. Just a
guess... Last night I walked into
town with Dr. Judge, who has

some laundry he wanted to get. We
had a bed & returned. I got in
bed at 9:45 and slept until
about 7:45 - by far my best night
of army sleep. As I fell asleep I
was thinking of how I would have
not been alone (was a little lonely) had
I been a little further south!

I mean to tell you that after
last Sunday's experience I have
devoted much thought to the doctor's
"advice". Please, against the counsel
of some friends, decided to take him
literally. I have drastically cut my
food - I haven't used the second half
of my mess kit one meal in 20 -
that's how much less I'm eating,
and 2 days ago I took my belt off.
I remembered what my doctor
told me about coming to be compli-
cantly dependant upon it - and I
don't want to have to wear the
damned thing all the rest of my life

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So I decided
that since I was
aching & fainting
almost all the
time. So try going
with our U.S. Army

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find that as
last now it
makes but little
difference. I don't
know what will

happen when we start getting heavy
dust (we haven't had a really tough
day all week). But I can describe -
out is. Now, if the doctor's advice
was good, I should stand to benefit
even more. And I will not be

dependent on a trust for every
day. I think I'll go back to
using it as for spio - only
when needed. But I got to
wearing it all the time because
I needed something all the time.

Don't be too surprised if I send
it home some of these days. And if I
do, dear, please wash it over for
me. I may be needing it again.

I feel pretty good today - only
my back aches - and that from sitting.

I am using the stamps & envelopes
Marks for them. But next time you go
to the P.O. (or you never get there in time)
please send me a large book of 3¢
stamps. Marks. They are easier to keep
in a book than loose. you can increase
the premium in space.

I'm very happy to know you
had less trouble this month. I'm sorry
the incident repeated itself this
month. I'd think after all these
years it would start to get monotonous.

The first month you head the
monotony I think I'll celebrate
by filing for O.C.S. I was never
being separated by a distance as
much then. As you know, both
of the things we hope to achieve by
the treatment mean very much to
me - much more than being
an officer does. I could file now
but don't intend to.

You didn't about the ball game
was missing. I always did say that
Beal had amazing luck. Let me
know what you hear of him after he
gets in.

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By the way,
I'm beginning
to accumulate
adds & ends in

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going to send
you to keep
use any of them
you can, take the
extra toothbrush

I might wish me. And maybe I'll
ask for the other thing when I leave
my room.

Was my suggestion on insurance
adequate? What do you think
we should do? And say hello to Tony.
If he recommends changing compa-
nies, Fern Bureau is okay by me.

I am disquieted by your letter of the
21st and your reflected impotence &
dissatisfaction. I am sorry you are
not happy in your work. And hope
you can do more about that than
I can about my debts.... If
when you see A + E again, remember
me to them. And tell the Co I
asked you to call & say "hello" but
that I haven't time to write... glad
you are going to be happy. Don't let
this miss as to all the talk of "kissing"

you, though you may be in power
enough for them to derive a new power.
You are to me, but then I don't operate the
machines. I was afraid you
have trouble with the buttons. But is
there anything to prevent you from
covering them with a cloth of sent all
color, or something like that? I
shouldn't think so. But I take
strong issue with the inference about
the parts of the "discriminative" ~~letter~~
reference. In fact, I rise to collective!
But also for all that! ... Again on the
indef. cases: ~~Consciousness~~. I am
distressed by man's personal problems.
I hope ~~they~~ they reach a rest to
worthy and unpleasant activities. We all
could help. I think the one thing he
has done that you have reported is
a step in the right direction ... Your
diagnosis of the reason for the ~~invitation~~
invitation to me might be correct.

But I hope the whole man is
cleared up soon. I hope it because I love
him and because it is keeping him from
doing the things he should be doing.

?/ What is the
story on Bob?

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Has he been sent
anywhere yet?
Give him my best.
Maybe one of those

points for the
offspring of WLB
will fit him!
Maybe he'll
need some
rest. But for

now or he'll not be able to do much in
that line... What you said in
yours of the 23rd convinces me further
of his instability & serious illness...
Send me Bob's address when you
get it... What was wrong with
Dad? When you see him again
please remember me to him, &
through him to his mother Murray.
(O wish I could be working
with either!) I never got a
message from Murray else he
have looked him up... Well,
that covers your many letters.
In a short while he'll have to go
out for some air (it is 5 of 2
already, and I think he'll walk
into town to mail this. By the
way, "Frankie" let a said your

Mom is sick. How is she? I got
delivered Easter cards from her +
Aileen yesterday, and I have
a knowledge with with cards.

Are you getting those pins in
time for Mother's Day? If not, still
try to get something else. The
stores were all closed last night.

Maybe ~~she~~ she'll be able to
get a "Ft Ontario" pin on
for stuffing.

Well, honey - it's 3 weeks from
yesterday to the end of my basic.
Cart come too soon.

Give my regards to everybody,
esp. the W's, against whom dis-
crimination ~~is~~ by not using cards.

Love

Barbara