

Dear - I pushed a stupid 6/2/43
me last night. I wrote you,
Alma & several of the boys from
the USO, left & go to the
movies & repeated a mistake I have
made several times in the recent past.
I mailed the letters at the box at the USO,
where, for some strange reason, there is no
late collection. I was half-way to the
movies, when they have a 15 minute
news broadcast before the show - and
wanted to hear the news, having heard none
for quite a while - when I bumped
into one of the M Co. corporals. He kept
me there talking to him for 40 min.,
& I missed the news & part of the early
show. God how he ran on, repetitively
& proudly, & wouldn't let me leave.

It made me unhappy, but it was
funny. This fellow is the one they
nick named "Gigam" and "Gigam
young" because he was always "gigging"
the boys, or talking their names in penitence.
Evidently, though he has just returned
from a 3-day pass, he was hungry for
companionship.

While I was in town last night some of the Class II men came in. Some know what they are - defectives, it is said, a man for weeks for recuperation & rehabilitation. I met one of the leaders who said he had fed 100 & they would, he said, a fair little fight in some cases.

I saw a pretty sight yesterday, though. One of the companies here has a platoon of "Presidential Guards" in training. They are carefully selected men, 6" a pop. They go to Hyde Park & the White House. Apparently it is considered a fine assignment in the MP's. Anyway, they looked good drilling.

There is still no news, though a rumor, attributed to a reliable source, of a 200 man up-state shipment, has me uneasy. So is the one I have been worried about & would, I'm afraid, be the most inconvenient for us.

Tell me this, dear: if it is so uncertain that you don't come up here, & if I ship to reach a destination from which I could get home for just the



last day of the treatment period, which, I believe, is the 5th - would it be worthwhile?

I have in mind the possibility of being shipped to someplace overnight on a return trip & reaching there in time for just the one trip during the period. Would this not be worthwhile for the treatment? I thought it would be, but I wanted to know what you think. ~~There~~ Having no reason to believe I'd ship in the next day or so, I'm thinking in terms of the latter part of the period - hoping in those terms, too.

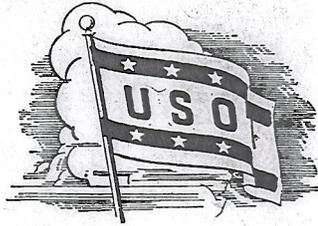
And for now I'll pass this away & add to it later if there is something to add.

Love Always

The first mail is in with Gos, few to be made to be kept from you. Hope nothing is wrong on mailing, then close to catch the mail.

Love It

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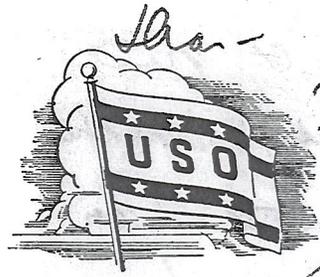
I am getting quite forgetful. I mean to enclose her with the letter of what a while ago I got.

Suggest you write for the plan for the dehydrator. Some day you may want me to build one.

Anyway, you get a lot of letters out of my forgetfulness

Wm

Ward



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Toward the end of the PM I got news that cheer-
ied me with joy & then
addition news that pushed me
into the depths. I heard there was a
NYC shipments on which what
is left of my company was to go.
Then, a short while later, I heard
don't on it, that it to be
sent to another battalion soon.

Of course, none of this is
official.

But I do want to get on
any of these shipments which
will make continuation of the
treatments possible! I wonder
what they can be intending
for me. This would be as much
as I could expect.

So, everything is still quite
unfused. As of which, together
with other developments of an
impersonal nature, make me
think it would probably be
best if you didn't come up this
weekend.

Jim in the U.S.C. waiting for
a sandwich. Jim going to
write some letters & see the free
movie they have here. I don't see
Rover who it is.

So let's not feel too badly, &
let's keep hoping, dear.

Love

Howard

Love I have great faith that
everything will be okay soon, honey.

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