

Monday.

Dearest Sweetheart;

I love you a whole day more than I did yesterday and miss you that much more also. Gosh how I hate not being with you. I am awfully sleepy tho [sic] altho [sic] I managed to sleep all afternoon long.

In this letter I have what may be very bad news to break so I will get it off now and then try to point out how it may possibly not be as bad as it sounds. All fellows on shipping orders for P.O.R. are to go [scratched out word] on a three weeks bivouac starting Thursday and are supposed to remain out there the whole weeks without passes or anything. That really gets my goat and then some because among other things I do not intend to do [scratched out word] is listed staying out there for three weeks without seeing you before I go P.O.R.

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The ways which I have are the following. I can pester the C.O. to try to get a pass so I can get off. They will probably have to give us week end passes at least. If this does not work I am going to await an opportunity and come back here to camp to get my sun tans and go to Lansing anyway because I'll be darned if I will take that lying down. The things around here are miserable enough without taking anything like that. Since I'm going overseas shortly anyway it makes very little difference to me what I do. I feel that I'm at least entitled to a break while I'm here and I'm going to take it if it isn't given to me. Don't become alarmed now. The worst that could happen as a result is that they'd take my stripes and that isn't a matter of great concern to me at present. Seeing you is much more important.

Enough of this. All I can do now is just settle down and wait to see just how the whole thing works out. I'll let you know Darling.

I stopped in at the hospital to see Tom Nevin tonite. [sic] He was in a wheel chair

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and Virginia, the girl from Kalamazoo to whom he is engaged [scratched out word] with him. He was so anemic because he lost a lot of blood. It seems that he has ulcers and developed internal hemorrhage. He has been on the danger list for the past week and will be off it tomorrow. The doctor said he was quite sure Tom would get a discharge when he left the hospital. He and Virginia were quite pleased at the prospect. They want to be married and go to New England to live. They are a very nice couple. Maybe we can visit them when we get to New England. He's a swell fellow.

I am going to be here all of the months of August and [scratched out word] probably won't leave till sometime in the first part of September because our orders stipulated that we were to receive August pay before we left here. There are about ten fellows from my company on the shipment

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I'm on. I found out that Camp Reynolds is about 30 miles outside Pittsburgh [sic] and that the first 12 days there we will be restricted, but after that we can get overnite [sic] passes every nite [sic] and week end passes. It isn't too very far from Michigan and I certainly plan to make the trip as often as possible.

Guess I'll close now Honey and get back to camp to sleep. Goodbye now Darling. Love and kisses
from someone who is

Forever Yours

Freddie