

Friday

Dolores Darling;

We are finally having some nice weather. It seems strange because yesterday we had to wear all our clothes and today it is quite warm and I don't even need my field jacket. The weather is just too much for me. I don't think I'll ever get used to it. I wonder what it's like in California – Beale is in the northern part of the state and is right near Sacramento and about ninety miles from San Francisco. It's probably colder than blazes and rains all the time. That's probably what I'll be up against.

This morning, for lack of anything better to do, and also because I wanted to get out of policing Camp Grant, I went to the Judge Advocate's Office with Howard Gold and made out a will and power of attorney, both

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to Dad. I'm cutting you off without a penny, see. It serves you right too. I certainly would have liked to have named Mrs. Dolores Maurice instead. Oh well.

Bob is going to be my advance guard to Camp Beale. He leaves for there the 2nd of September and I will leave the 6th. Gold and I are going together so we've made a date to meet Bob in the Service Club there as soon as we get there. He has several friends there to whom we are going to be presented in hopes of finding a haven where we will be wined and dined. I got the two letters you wrote Saturday and Sunday, the letter with the plans in it was swell. This way I'll be able to tell just what you're talking about when you refer to a certain house plan. There are plenty of bedrooms in both of them which is a good thing. In the one with the two baths upstairs we could take out the

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front bathroom as you said because beside not needing it there is the added factor of the additional light which would be given the hall. As it is in the plan, the upper hall would be quite dark and unnegotiable. I like the closet room upstairs in this plan, we'd have to add another chimney for the porch and kitchen fireplace though and either bring the porch along the entire back of the house, in which case we could make another room (possibly a sleeping porch) of the porch in the original plan, or bring the porch down the right hand side of the house. I'll keep an eye open for plans I like or rooms I like and will keep you informed of any results. It's going to be an awful lot of fun planning our home Darling, even though I will be away. It will

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help pass the time if I go overseas. It's so nice planning for a future with you because I know it will be so much fun. I can hardly wait for the war to end so we can have our wedding and then the beginning of a nice long honeymoon that will just go on forever. In the other plan, the one with the dining room and kitchen in the wing, you wouldn't have to get rid of the dining room fireplace to put one in the kitchen. We could have one in each room, using a common chimney. Of course with fireplaces in the kitchen and in the living room we might not need one in the dining room. There would be none on the right hand side of the home. If we made that front bedroom a study we'd have a nice unbroken wall for those wall maps I told you I like. There is quite a bit of window space too. That would make an ideal study. The garage in the plan

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I drew at the library, could be put out behind the kitchen and connected with an archway, or open vestibule or whatever you call them, to the kitchen. The upstairs part of the garage could be a studio and we could glass in the biggest part of one side of the roof to get plenty of light.

Gosh but you look beautiful just like that Sweetheart. Have I ever told you so? You look ever so Darling and adorable that I just can't resist kissing you. There! You didn't mind did you? You'd better not because there are many more, and much better ones than that too, awaiting you when I see you again. I love you so much and although I know you realize it, I just have to keep telling you so I'll be

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sure that you know. Goodnite [sic] now Dearest. You are in my thoughts
Forever.
Freddie