

England
Feb. 13, 1944

Dear Mary,

Received another of your nice letters about 4 days ago. Seems there was a slight mixup on how to address letters, because it should not take so long for delivery. Should not take very long now.

Have you gone anywhere yet. I have been to a few dances and had a very nice time, looking forward to dancing with you some day. How can I contact you? May try to call you some day as soon as I find out what the restrictions are on phone calls. What about where you are, are you permitted to receive phone calls at that number you gave me.

We have moved again and are getting settled here, like it very much, people are swell to us, try to make us happy. But we eat good, and you should know

that makes me happy. We have chicken today.

Yesterday received a barrel of mail and 3 boxes of Hitman's Chocolates, and they have already finished two for me.

Do you know what I'd like right now, a beer glass full of scotch, wow! would that hit the spot. How about joining me!

Would like to visit some of the historic spots here and will the first chance I get. Guess London should be first, but then there are other places I'd like to go to first.

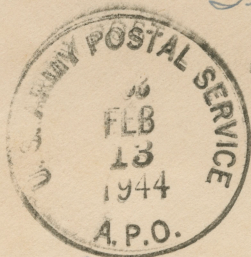
Sorry to hear you were not feeling so good for a few days. Better take care of yourself. Don't talk about 10 day leaves it makes me envious.

Be good.

As ever,
Jim

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England
Feb. 26, 1944.

Dear Mary,

Seems you are spending quite a bit of time at the cinema, better take in my share also because I haven't the slightest inclination to take in any form of entertainment. Just getting to be a old fool I guess.

Its just a coincidence but Bindley was in Exeter Wednesday also. He has an Aunt there, which I believe is his fathers sister. He met a flock of his cousins also, when he returned his first words were "good gosh, I got cousins & relatives all over the place, must be thousands of them."

The most leave I can get at present is two days and I feel

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that it is hardly worth while taking.

Saw Bill about a week ago, he seemed to be in excellent spirits, however we did not stop to exchange conversation, he had some business to attend to.

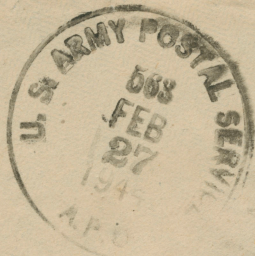
Johnny is busy as a bee, as for the others, haven't seen them for quite awhile.

Give my best regards to Kelly, Stokes, Smilin' Smitty and all the rest.

As ever,
Jim.

P. S. How is the mail situation there, coming through regular or does it come in spurts like it does here.

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Great Britain

Jan. 31, 1944.

Dear Mary,

What wonderful mail service, only took 5 days for your letter to get here. I wonder how long it took my letter to reach you, I wrote about a week before you did, if you haven't received it yet it probably still is on the way.

Brendly & I often speak of you & Kelly and hope we will get a chance to see you. You will hear from me one of these days, probably give you a ring. At this time I am unable to communicate with you other than correspondence.

It seems you are working just about as hard as we

are, it won't always be so easy.

I don't care much for fish & chips, I like steak & chicken & lobster, we can get all we want here.

Big pardon, that was someone speaking from the hallucination department. Tell you what, first chance we get we will go grub crawling for some rare 15 year old Teachers Highland Cream. Can almost feel it going down, just like velvet. Good gosh! I'm getting thirsty can't imagine why, a big tall glass of scotch about 2 feet high. It ow!!!

I like that 48 hour deal you spoke of, you & I could "lotsa" things in that time. Perhaps we can spend our 7 day leaves together, if we ever get them.

How is the old gang anyway

are they still with you. How about that promotion of yours, gone through yet, you'll be one step up on me, but we still go out together, is that a date.

How do you like the rain?

It makes one put on lugubrious airs, doesn't it. Bah!!! For some good old Florida, yep, that's the place.

Let me know any changes in address or telephone number, and keep writing.

As ever,

Jim.

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