



UNITED STATES ARMY

Camp Beale, Calif.
Monday
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Darling,

Well I finally got here safe and sound. The train ride was kinda rough but had plenty of seats and room to stretch and ect.

Dearest I sure do miss you and our little daughter. Sure do pray that we can be together some day again. Does you miss me or anything hon? Gee but I sure did hated to leave.

Well hon I drop in to see Fred before I left and met a few fellas I used to know long ago. Couple of them were discharged about a 1 1/2 years ago. It sure was swell seeing them boys.

I doubt whether I'll have time to finish this letter tonight but will try my best dear.

See how after reading your letter which you wrote the night I was to leave was grand! How please love me always cause I know that I'll always love you sweetheart. How I know how busy you are working all the time and etc. but am praying that you'll write often how.

See how wish you received the cards I sent you and I should of sent you more but I just couldn't.

How I really do love and miss you and Yuri some thing terrible. How all those days and night that I spent there with you and the baby was really swell. I really te can't tell you how much I enjoyed being with you both. Sure do pray that some day we all can be together for good and be happy how. You and Yuri really does mean everything to me dearest.



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Darling I really can't and don't know how to tell you this but my feeling towards everything has changed. From now on how I am going to save all I can and land sure going to try my best to make you and Yuri happy how. I know that deep inside of you you kinda doubt me and etc but I can assure you that you are wrong how. Darling please trust me and have faith in me my love cause I have learned my lesson and learnt it well. Gee how sure pray that I can see you soon again because I really would like to have another playmate for Yuri. Boy or a girl how it really doesn't matter except I'd like to have a son some day.

See how you should see
how black my uniform is
after the train ride. My
bag and suitcase hasn't
arrived as yet but hope
I'll get them soon. Oh well
can't go anywhere anyway.

Camp Beale isn't much of
a place and all I can
say that it is about the
same as Texas. I guess
after I'm here awhile it won't
seem so bad as all that.
Oh well how I guess I could
find things worse than
this eh. I really can't say
much about here yet cause
I just got here but the
weather is awful warm.
Yes how there is no place
like Fort Sheridan or High-
land Park, Ill. outside of
San Jose, Calif. Well am
hoping that I'll get shipped
out of here real soon
how. Will tell you more
about it later.

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Darling please excuse me for writing with a pencil cause I lost my fountain pen some place and I can't find it. Gee how I guess I'll have to get another pen some day.

I guess I'll write to the folks to nite if I do get the chance. I'll write to my sister and tell her that you are planning to go there soon. Gee how I sure do pray that I'll find out something real soon but one never can tell. Some of the fellas here has been here for a long time and I couldn't say just yet how long I'll be here. The only thing I can do is just pray that I'll be assigned or sent out to some unit soon. Oh well dearest I guess timey will tell and I'll just have to wait.

Darling I am always thinking
of you and the little daughter
of ours. Oh how I really do
miss you both. I can picture
Yuri running around and
playing and etc. She really
is cute and am proud
that she is ours too. How
I really do miss you and
everything about you. You
really the tops too.

Sure hope that Yuri had
a nice birthday and I
do feel bad cause I couldn't
be there but was sure thinking
about it. Well how some day
I guess we will be able to
celebrate everything together.

How please have a extra copy
of Yuri's birth certificate made
out and send it to me.
Wish that you would write to
the place where we got our marriage
certificate and have them
send you a copy of that so
you can send it to me. It
would be faster that way.

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Mailbox am going to close for tonight but will write soon again. Darling sure pray that all are well with you and Yuri and that we can be together some day real soon again.

Dearest love and miss you with all my heart. Please take the best of care of yourself and Yuri. Be good. And always thinking of you both.
Love you sweetheart.

always yours,
Hubby al

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