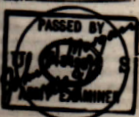


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DEAR HOLLY,

MONDAY IN ENGLAND

THE SUN IS SHINING BEAUTIFULLY AND IT REALLY IS LOVELY OUT. SPRING HAS ARRIVED. WAS GLAD TO GET YOUR LETTER AND IT IS SO VERY GOOD TO GET NEWS OF THE PEOPLE OVER THERE WHO WERE SO NICE TO ME WHEN I WAS NEARBY. TOO BAD THAT THEY DID NOT HAVE THAT CANTINE OPEN WHEN OUR BUNCH WAS IN TOWN BUT WE ALWAYS HAD PLENTY OF STORES TO GO TO AND GET WHAT WE WANTED. OF COURSE, OUR "RACHS" WERE VERY MUCH LOWER THAN THEY ARE NOW BUT WE MANAGED ALRIGHT. OVER HERE, WE CANNOT EVEN SPEND OUR MONEY IN RESTAURANTS IF WE WANT TO BECAUSE THERE ARE SO FEW OF THEM AND SO FAR BETWEEN. HOWEVER, THEY HAVE CANTINES HERE AND THERE'S WHERE WE CAN GET TEA, COFFEE OR SANDWICHES OF A SORT, AND PERHAPS SOME CAKE FOR VERY LOW PRICES. THEY ARE STRICTLY SOLDIER-CATERING AFFAIRS AND FOR "ALLIED FORCES". EVERYTHING CLOSES UP BY TEN.

THE GOOD NEWS CAME ABOUT A WEEK AGO AND I WAS WAITING TO HEAR FROM YOU BEFORE I TOLD YOU THAT I NOW HAVE A BABY DAUGHTER AND "MOTHER AND DAUGHTER ARE DOING WELL". OF COURSE I AM VERY HAPPY ABOUT THE MATTER. MY WIFE IS A DARLING AND SOME DAY I HOPE TO VISIT WILMINGTON WITH HER AND SAY HELLO TO ALL MY FRIENDS THERE WHO TREATED ME SO WELL WHILE I WAS AT DW POST. REMEMBER THAT SUMMER, THE FIRST ONE WHEN WE WERE FIRST INDOCTED WHEN THE "T" KEPT OPEN ALL SUMMER MAINLY BECAUSE THE SOLDIERS WERE NEARBY? WE USED TO MAKE THE "T" OUR HEADQUARTERS AND MEET THERE AND END UP THERE BEFORE RETURNING TO CAMP. I LIKE TO REMEMBER THE PLACE AS IT LOOKED IN THE SUMMER WHEN I WOULD BE IN YOUR OFFICE (AND TRIP OVER COKE BOTTLES) AND LOOK OUT OF THE WINDOW AND SEE THE SUN SHINING AND THE BIRDS SINGING.

I DID NOT EVEN THINK ANN ROSENBAUM WOULD REMEMBER ME. WHAT IS THE NAME OF THE MAN WHO TAKES CARE OF THE BILLIARDS? I ALWAYS FORGET. REGARDS TO ALL.

AS EVER *Sammy*

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