

The Flat.

13th

Wednesday.

Johnie.

What a day! I love
to have phone calls from you honey,
but I definitely don't like news
like today's.

Somehow, though I knew
the odds were 50 to 1 against you
staying in England, I hoped
maybe the old Western luck would
hold out. But apparently it's not
to be. It is just as well that
we have touched the subject of
foreign drafts recently as it
lessened the shock somewhat. But
gee I don't dare to think too
far ahead into 1945!

You must be feeling pretty

low, sweetheart. I know how you
hate the thought of going away,
and its worse for you because
you'll not only have the loneliness,
but will also miss home.

Still honey, it may not be
so terrible - apart from the leaving
for one another. It will take
quite a time to get out there,
& that'll take quite a slice out
of your time away. You'll be

seeing sights & countries & will
be able to write reams to me
describing all your experiences. I
know I shall count the weeks.

but that is looking ahead,
and you haven't gone away
yet. We've fourteen whole days
to spend together! And we'll make

them worth remembering! They will be all the more wonderful because we shall have an ache in our heart.

I've always understood that these injections are painful and boring. So if you don't manage to write this week I'll understand, and you'll have all the more to tell me at the weekend.

Lancy, you'll have Christmas and the New Year at home. Every one since you've been in the Navy. And why should 1945 be an exception?

After judicious enquiry I have decided against an official request for special leave. If they were to

to turn it down I'd be on a Spd-
So it will be "insomnia + nervous
debility".

Mr. Lerner suggested sick leave &
put quite a few reasons in favour

1) I work hard & he thinks I should
be paid for what leave I have. -
I think he is comparing me with
Morgan.

2) Pre-war allowance of leave is
6 weeks, so I am taking no more
than some C.S.'s who are working
on normal hours & leave schedules.

or or.

Its nice to know that they
are with me, but it would ~~be~~ have
been just the same if they'd not! Catch
me going into the office when
you're on draft leave. Then! We'll
have one lovely long honeymoon!

I wonder what you are thinking about it all tonight. I expect with your usual, lovable philosophy you've made up your mind to take what's coming however you may hate it.

We'll just have to store up all our love for a few months eh darling? Just live for the time when your ticket comes along & we can settle down together in peace. I reckon our home will be a wonderful place - we shall have learned what it means to live happily together for ever and ever. God bless you sweet,

Clare



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