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The Flat.
Tuesday. 25/9.

Dearest mine
I was so glad to get
71 and 72 tonight and to know
that you were once again in the
pink. It is a rotten feeling to be so
far away from you when you not
well, darling, and though I try
not to worry, I am jolly glad when
it is all over.

Also today was a
good parcel! Goodie - goodie! Butter,
honey, and of all things tinned
peaches. Muscians! Just the cover
on the tin made my mouth water.
And buttered toast is a weakness

of mine. I don't know how I am
ever going to make up for all these
thoughtful parcels from you darling.
I'll have to make the first thousand
kisses and kisses extra special ones.
That do? Yours sweet,

I read all your remarks on
demob, honey, and can just imagine
how every buzz must have its effect
these days. So my mind it is
just a matter of weeks now before
you'll be welcomed into the bosom
of your family. Actually there
is to be an official statement from
H. of labor this week, giving full
particulars of release up to Christmas
& a general review of service requirements

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and I will certainly send you the
dope the moment it is out. There
is bound to be a speed-up. Though
I believe that the Gov. will remain
firm on the age + service idea - and
refuse the T.V.C. suggestion of release
of some service chaparris. That would
^{have} raised a real storm I'm thinking!

lots of officers in Germany are to
remain on after their demob. dates.
according to a statement by Monty
this week - and I bet there's some
heart-burning there. I expect Sam is
glad he didn't take a commission.

I don't like the idea of a
possible mail hold-up from you due

to lack of planes, but if they are
bringing back POW's I reckon we
can make any sacrifice.

So hear you talk of hot, dry
spells makes me envious. Gee
there's been a North wind blowing
here for the last two days, and
we have sat frozen stiff in the office
all day. I actually wore my fur
jacket at work! Though that didn't
help my feet! Cor! Talk about
a frig.

Yesterday I had lunch with
Betty again and afterwards trotted
around to the Army & Navy Stores

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a pantomime, I opened a box of
Swan Vestas upside down & had
to crawl on the floor for one, I
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candle & then spent a half an
hour mending the fuses - having
first searched for fuse wire & tools.

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The position about Blessington, honey,
is that it is now being decorated -
which means that all the heavy repair
work must be complete. We have
no choice as colour schemes, but
it seems that the house will be
disembroidered beige throughout with either
cream or brown paintwork. Sands
OK & I shall buy some dado
to stick around the walls at picture
rail height to give it a finish.
Maybe we might have a go at
slipping the walls together sometime
eh? It looks nice & is fairly simple
to do.

As to kitchenette - that is ours
solely.

Mrs G. has let the large front room
to a young married girl who is
out to business all day & will
have a grill as we did. Her
husband is apparently in Germany.
The whole house is let now - my
pal Betty was hoping to get a
flat but it is too late - and Mrs
G. hasn't a room to let on her
books! She says the position
may improve in a year's time!
I think we have been very fortunate
dehisp. Isn't that? It may not
be our dream home, but it will
be a jolly good start & a place
we can call our own.

I shall mix the G. in about 2 weeks time, and if it is ready I shall spend a few evenings scrubbing & straining the floors, and getting lights and cooking apparatus in order before moving in. How exciting isn't it, sweet? There's absolutely no holding me. Of course I shall have to have an orgy of buying in a couple of weeks time. But I shall buy the minimum in the way of kitchen stuff until I see either some Judge ware or aluminium stuff for sale.

We need quite a lot of things, don't we sweet? But it should be fun

getting ourselves equipped.

Incidentally you'll be pleased to know that the black coat is now finished - right down to the last detail, and it is not at all bad. I shall give it one last press & then it will be ready for wear. There's no need to whisper "at last".

Wish I could finish up in a bright & breezy verse à la Sgt. Reinley of the A.E.F. band, but not being that clever, I shall just sign off your ever-loving, ever-faithful,

Wife

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