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Hello everybody:

Thanks for the package — I got some ice cream last night and had ice cream and cookies to celebrate my birthday. I went to the show first but it wasn't very good. I saw a good one this afternoon — Yankee Doodle Dandy. It is James Cagney playing a picture showing the life and including most of the songs written by George M. Cohan.

How did Ed get over the wedding celebration? I don't suppose he was too happy over being dragged in on a "dress up" affair.

I got the proofs back from the pictures I had taken. They were fairly good, I thought. I'm having some made — small ones only. I won't have enough cash to pay for big ones. There ~~are~~ is a possibility of a 2-week furlough the first of next month so I want to be sure I have enough cash for my ticket if it does come. We've already signed for them so I think there's

a good chance. I'll get mine. I don't know if there is a limit to the number who get them or not but rumor has it that all the "fillers", as the new men are called, are to get furloughs before March. We are scheduled for maneuvers at about that time, I guess.

I'm still in the same job, tho' most of the assistants have been changed more than once. I take that to mean I'll be a clerk permanently as I'm missing all the combat training everyone else is getting. I'd be lost if I were sent out now.

It's nearly supper time so I guess I'd better sign off and go to eat. It's awful cold today, after a warm week, and I don't want to have to stand in line in this cold wind.

Love,  
Marion

P.S. I'll let you know later if and when I get a furlough and will have to have you meet me somewhere, I suppose. The mimeograph pad sheet shows the kind of stuff I spend hours doing every day.

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