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My Dearest Beloved Lucy

Today I hit the sack pot again. This time receiving a total of twenty (20) letters of which twelve (12) were from you. I received at least one letter from every body except Julian Wolfchild.

It going to take me a long time to answer all your letters so if I don't finish today I'll do so tomorrow.

Before I start on your letters I have a few other items to inform you.

The dates and days of the past few letters are probably all mixed up because yesterday darling I could have sworn it was Saturday the 29<sup>th</sup> not only late in the evening I found out differently. In the letter I wrote yesterday it was dated as above. You will have to trace back a few days to find the mistake because I been figuring it been a day later than it actually has been.

Now that I'm correct on today's date I hope it'll continue to remember.

It really doesn't make much<sup>2</sup> difference so long as you receive my letters - Right?

One surprising letter I received today was from Hank that's the fellow that acted as my guide back in Africa after I answer him I'll send you the letter to see and hold for me.

The letter is written in English and it gave me a kick to hear from him. Doesn't say much except he was waiting at American Red Cross to see me. Hopes Jim in good health, and thinks about me all the time. You are beginning to have competition. He says he & was ill than has (catch cold) will send letter shortly.

Received two money orders also one from my mother and the other from the organization my father belonged to.

Instructed my mother not to send me any more money because I have no use for it, and I have enough to last me for some time.

Three lovely snapshots  
of Allen also arrived and boy  
he is looking fine.

A letter from Aaron had a  
snapshot of Phyllis and himself  
and he informed me that ~~my~~  
~~girlfriend~~ you are  
certainly a beautiful girl, just as  
if I didn't no.

I'll be going for my last chow  
meal in a few minutes so when  
I return I'll start on your letters.

One of your letters was the  
nice card with your lovely  
picture attached. I'm looking  
forward to receiving more of your  
pictures dear as I enjoy looking  
at each and every one of them  
over and over again.

New back from chow and  
you a little change we had two  
large, delicious doughnuts  
written your oldest letter was  
written Nov 24<sup>th</sup> and the  
lastest being U mail dated Jan  
9<sup>th</sup> In between were Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> and  
4<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> all being air mail  
Nov 29<sup>th</sup> Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> Jan 6<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup>  
and 9<sup>th</sup> all being U mail. The  
letter of the 24<sup>th</sup> was regular  
mail.

your idea of sending cables  
is good but I'm sorry babe as I'm  
not near a place where I could  
send one. I appreciate your  
sending them to me. Informing  
me that all is well and you  
feel the same way about me.  
Even if ~~you~~ I ~~did~~ wouldn't receive  
the cables I no how you feel  
and you no just how I feel  
about you. I'm simply crazy  
over you sweetheart.

Understand your point on  
exchanging snapshots and I'll do it  
in the future. If the proposition  
should occur.

I get the latest news over  
the radio and from the Army  
newspaper Stars and Stripes.

No sweets I was kidding  
about marking X's. If I remember  
correctly I answer wrote you  
explaining why a few days ago.  
but the reason is that the  
number of X's might be a code  
so we can't mark them at the  
end of the letters.

Seems as if you had an  
idea I was coming to Italy because  
in your Nov 24<sup>th</sup> letter you told  
me not to get too friendly with  
the Italians. Just thought that  
you were referring to the Italian  
prisoners. correct?