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My Beloved Sweetheart,

I finally received a letter that I've been anxiously waiting for. It was your lovely letter of Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> containing the glamorous snapshots of yourself; also I received your air mail letter of Jan 10<sup>th</sup>.

Darling I'm glad you placed the snapshots in the nice folder. It's the first time snapshots that I have of you wearing the fur coat, and dear it looks beautiful on you, but what I like better is what is wrapped inside of it. Has Bernice and Margie have the same type fur coat as you have Darling?

I must admire the dress you were wearing at the time also because it looks very chic. I'm delighted I now have these latest pictures dear because you look so wonderful and I like to look at the snap shots after.

The groupe picture came out good.

Darling I did take pictures of myself sitting at the Switchboard but they never came out, the reason I believe it due to lack of sufficient light. You see the switchboard was also indoors when there wasn't ample light. I experimented any way but it seems as if they didn't develop.

Swell that you finally got my picture back from Jack even though it

wasn't the original.  
 When I return I'll write  
 on the back of the picture  
 you have, if you don't  
 get the original one from  
 Jack. Okay?

Something went snafu  
 with your New Year's  
 cablegram as I received it  
 so late, Better check  
 signals with your friend  
 the postman.

When to the movies  
 earlier and saw, "National  
 Barn Dance", plenty of  
 hillbilly music but the  
 picture wasn't bad.

Tomorrow being Sunday  
 we won't be doing any  
 drilling. We will be free  
 all day but there isn't a  
 thing to do around here.

I'm reading a digest of <sup>4</sup>  
a book novel, titled, "Immortal  
Wife" which I'm enjoying  
reading.

Another Saturday is passing  
sweetheart and as the time  
goes by I miss you very very  
much and will until once  
again I can hold you close  
to me instead of writing it,  
and telling you, I love  
you dearly, and will forever,

I am,  
yours,  
Ben