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My dear B loved Judy,

We both waited a long time for this day and it finally came. Even though today might not be VE day, it is for me. The only thing that prevents us from calling this VE day is the slight resistance one of our armies is still meeting.

I'm now in a relaxed mood, after having a good night's sleep, and putting on all clean cloths. It's also a beautiful day, ^{in fact} ~~except~~ the warmest day thus far this spring. The war over here instead of coming to an immediate halt seems to be gradually ending on the different fronts. When I heard of the excellent news from the Italian front, I thought it was splendid, but the following day, we were attacking and meeting a little resistance. Since fellows were getting wounded I couldn't see the war over for us, but since then the picture has changed. Now it's a question of one of two things, either Army of Occupation or a trip to CBI. No official statement has been made as to what men will be going home on rotation, or those going to CBI. I believe within the next week or two there will be something definite. The happiest thing now is that, while over here I don't have to worry about hearing those artillery shells and the rest that makes war so horrible.

What on my mind now is how soon will it be before I can return to you darling.

There wasn't much excitement over here