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My Darling Judy,

We finally had our first mail call since arriving at our new location and I was delighted to receive your letter of July 30th.

I went over to the handbag factory to see if I could buy one for Mom but I didnt like the selection as I felt that he was showing me old stock that he wanted to sell. He then told me to return tomorrow and he would fix me upn with something nice, so we will see tomorrow.

Was over to the photography to pick up the roll of film that I gave him to develop. Three of the pictures are enclosed. Ive took two pictures of myself but they werent any good, thats why they arent included. One of the pictures was of myself in my room as I wanted to show you my living quarters but I didnt give the picture enough light. The picture of the house is the one were Im now staying at. I think the picture came ut good. The other two pictures are of Jack Benny and one of them if you notice closely came out very sharp. The other pictures that I took at the show didnt come out good and you can see by the Jack Benny pictures that I was in a awkward position.,practially under the stage and I couldnt move around since the area was packed like sardines.

Heard that the points for discharge will be lowered to 75 dear, and that a new adjusted service rating will be taken. If the date is fixed for August ~~15th~~ 15th then Ill have 74 points but if the date should be August 20th or later Ill have an additional point~~s~~ just giving me 75 points and here is how I figure the extra point. For over 15th days a man is given a full months credit for service for the month. I entered the service on May 5th and as the last adjusted service rating was figured up until May 12th I had seven spare days. Now if the date is fixed on the 20 or later of August than Ill have fifhtteen or more days giving me credit for an another <sup>n</sup>moth of service in the Army. Can you comprehend my point darling. Regardless I know that tonight you must be figuring out my new adjusted service rating and when it is announced we will know. Im sure sweating this one out cause if I

don't meet the requirements than it probably will mean spending a few extra months in the Army., until the next reduction in points. Darling I can hardly wait to receive my discharge papers

Just as I wrote Mike that I thought that the divisions in category four having men in it with over 85 points should get highest priority in returning home and sure enough the announcement last night was the alerting of five high point divisions. Two other armored divisions are suppose to prepare for shipment home after the first five were getting processed and I was thinking that it might be my division and now I feel sure that it won't be, as the 7th armored division is an 85 point division and I think the other division will be my former the 12th armored division since it was in category four and of the remaining men most of them are above the 85 mark point. From what I last heard the 12th armored division had only about half its TO strength. It would be almost too good if by accident the 1st armored division was one of the two armored divisions to be alerted next. Time will tell.

Goodnight darling you now can see the window I look out of to glance off in the distance and imagine seeing you,

I love you with all my heart and will always and always,

yours forever  
Ben