

1945 FROM LETTERS TO LOIS DAVIS

JULY 31 PRESIDENT MADISON HOTEL
 AUG 3 ENTER HOSPITAL
 AUG 7 45 MET NORMAN PHILLIPS & STANFORD E. WALK IN MIAMI
 AUG 8 OUT WITH BOATRIGT "
 AUG 8 FOUND PNEUMONIA SPOT "
 AUG 9 TO MOVIE WITH BOATRIGT "
 AUG 11 TO MOVIE WITH BOATRIGT "
 AUG 12 TO MOVIE WITH BOATRIGT (IN HOSPITAL 9 DAYS) "
 AUG 14 TO AERO CLUB WITH BOATRIGT (WAR OVER JAPAN) "
 AUG 16 BOATRIGT LEFT MIAMI TO CAMP NRAR MONROE LA. "
 AUG 17 MOVED TO NEW HOSPITAL (TOWERS) "
 AUG 24 MET ROOM MATE FROM LUFT ~~I~~ FROM PENN. (KNEDDLER?) "
 AND ONE FROM DETROIT "
 AUG 27 MET WARREN ROSS "
 SEPT 4 ANDERSON TO HOSPITAL IN GEORGIA "
 SEPT 14 NO LONGER A PATIENT BUT STAY IN HOSPITAL "
 SEPT 14 THRU SEPT 16TH HURRICAN "
 SEPT 25 MET STOLLER HE HAD A 90 FURLOUGH "
 OCT 9 MET WETZEL (HAD BEEN IN LAS VEGAS & LUFT 4 TOGETHER SAN ANTONIO
 OCT 12 MET NORM PHILLIPS "
 OCT 15 NEW BARRACK ROOM WITH 5 WHO WERE ROOM MATES LUFT 4 "

5/5/1946 RECEIVED LETTER FROM FRED G. ANDERSON

3040 21ST AVE

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. BARRACKS 7 ROOM 11 ?

SHOT DOWN 2 MD'S BEFORE ME HE WAS ON LAGER "C"

CHURCH COUNCLE ALSO MARCHED TOGETHER FROM LUFT IV

ALSO MARCHED WITH WARREN ROSS & STANFORD E. WALK

SEND MY DATES OF SERVICE

- DAVIS MUST BE DIVORCED HER NAME NO ON CARD

- MAISAK LETTER

✓ { WILLIS GOT SICK JULY 3RD LASTED ABOUT 3 WEEKS MOVED TO
3 DIFFERENT ROOMS

DAVIS LAYTER PART OF JULY

INQUIRE ABOUT HEALTH & ~~TREND~~ <sup>ELLEN'S HEALTH & UPSET STOMACH HI BLOOD PRESS. FORNITAL
DISORIENTATION
NERVOUS</sup>

- VISIT WITH TUCK MAIN HE WENT BY TRAIN TO BARTH 6 DAYS
^{FLY OUT IN OWN BOMB GROUP LIP BY RUBSON OFFICERS CAMP}

- MEETINGS IN MIAMI SHOWS STOLLER ECT.

WILLIS TROUBLE ARTHRITIS & DEPRESSION

January 7, 1942

Dear Lawrence:

If you can take time out from swimming to read my letters well here goes. But I really don't mind if you are swimming for I like skating much better for I like cold weather better than I do warm, funny isn't it. Saturday I went skiing and practically killed myself and still can't get down, as yet. Well so much for me. How are you getting along out in the sunny climate?

You said you thought Joy would tell me all I wanted to know about you but you were wrong. She did tell me some but not very much for she wouldn't let me see any of your letters at all.

How do you like training? Have you gone deep sea fishing as yet? I think it would be a lot of fun but as a hole I never liked fishing you have to be too still.

Joyce just brought your picture in for me to see, she said it was ~~easy~~ to write that way but I don't know. It is nice and it looks a lot like you but what happen to all your hair?

About Bill, well after I found out what he said about me to some of the fellows I don't care if I ever see him again. Say did you and Bill have a fight before you left? I always thought you and Bill were the best of friends but I don't know after what you said in the ~~last~~ letter!

I hope this letter don't sound to bad for Joyce and Jean are both acting up if you know what I mean!! (taking my paper and just generally being bad.) Excuse me while I fill my pen. I thank you for waiting, it never fails but when I set down to write I run out of ink.

Do you have much free time? I don't know what I do with all my time for I am not working know but I still use it all up and not get my home work done either. I guess you have all the free time you can get pretty well planned haven't you?

It has been snowing all day today. I bet it seems funny to

get a letter telling about snow
when it is warm down there
isnt it.

Before you get tired of this drabble
I had better quite for this time. Write
soon.

As always
Lars

P.S. I hope you dont get cross-
eyed trying to read this for I have
never learned to write on a
straight line.

Lars

Miss. Rob Davis
21269 Berg Road
Detroit, Michigan



Prof. Lawrence Witt
577th T.S.S. Flight (D.D.)
H. H. F. T. T. C.
B. T. C. #4
Miami Beach, Florida

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February 27, 1943

Dear Lawrence:

I guess by this time you
have given up hope for my
writing, but I really haven't.
I hope the fathers that write you
are much better about writing
than I am so that you get some
mail but you must get
quite a bit for you always
had so many friends. I
don't think anybody can ever
get to much mail so I
promise to write more after
even if I have to do it in
school, that is if you would
still like to hear from me.

Say I thought you said
you were going to New York but
the last two letters I
received from you were
written in Atlantic City. I
don't get it. Are you going
to stay there or go on ~~to~~
to New York.

We are hearing more of
your letters than you
write us for some of them
are read in church, how do

you like that?

Joyce said you ~~might~~ might get a leave. I hope you do for I would like to see you very much.

Are you getting to church now or are you like me not I didn't go to church Sunday or I haven't been to B.Y. for about 3 Sundays. isn't that awful but I really can't help it as Dad can usually find a reason why we can't go. I've adopted a new habit now it is (not to tell dad where I am going so he will not be able to make up reasons why I can't.) well how do you like it, ~~it's~~ sometimes it doesn't work but most of the time it does.

By the time I get home from work I don't have any time for anything but house work so it don't get me any where.

You should see some of the fellows at school

they are taking the government
Physical Fitness program and it
is getting the best of them. I
am taking it too but we have
first-aid and swimming first
so I want now about the other
part until spring. Are you
getting all kinds of exercise
in your training? Do you miss
you swimming very very
much for I don't think you
will get very far in Atlantic
city.

Well I will be signing
off for this time. Write and tell
me all that you are doing.
Love
Ray

Lois Davis
21269 Beng Rd.
Detroit, Mich.



Pvt. Lawrence Witt
Section C.

989 T. S. (S. P.) Group IV

Wing A, BTD (Prov.)

Atlantic City, N. J.

March 2, 1943

Dear Lawrence:

I was glad to hear that you like where you are placed now, and not working too hard.

I don't know if you have heard that Pawie was going in the army or not. He is leaving on Wednesday. His sister gave a party for him last Saturday but it was very dry. One of your friends, Harry Meyers, was on leave and came also. Jay and I didn't get there until 9:30 and by that time most of them were just about ready to leave and I didn't blame them.

Do you have any extra time? If you what do you do with your time in a strange place or have you been there long enough to know your way around (I bet)

If you were home now I bet you wouldn't know your car Bill

certainly fixed it. It sounds as if it would fall a part at every bump but still he has it sold. He is going in the army soon too. Does it write you?

And about those girls that go by on their way to school you better watch out or I will tell Joyce on you and I don't think she would like it.

Do you still have fun with those fellows that you were left with? What are they like?

Well about this time I guess you are getting pretty tired of reading questions I hope you don't mind answering them for there isn't much news around here so I hope you have some. I am afraid I will have to sign off for this time as it is getting late write soon.

Love, Bob

Miss Lois Dawn
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit, Mich.



Put. Lawrence Witt
Section "C"
989 T.S.S. (S.P.) Group 4
Wing A, B.T.D. (Prov.)
Atlantic City, N.J.

April 27, 1943



AMARILLO ARMY AIR FIELD
AMARILLO, TEXAS

Dear Lois,

In answer to your questions in your last letter. It takes about three or four days for a letter to get here, and we receive mail once a day, after school. My spare time is taken up much the same as before I started school, except I don't have as much spare time. I go to a show now and then here in camp, in fact I just came from there. About the fellow I was going with. Well he is in the hospital and won't be in my class any more. I guess I won't see him much anymore as he will be sent to another sqd. I went to church on Good Friday in camp and they had a very nice service. On Easter I went to the evening services in town. I don't get much chance to go to church in town on account of school. I don't have the the same teachers but the ones I have now are just as nice. I get good grades to, wonder why?

It's hard to realize the weather back home as I haven't seen only a small amount of snow this

year and that was in Atlantic City. Its always fairly warm here and it would be swell if it wasnt for the sand that gets in the eyes and ears every time the wind blows.

About work. Whats work? I havent done much for about three weeks. I guess thats why I like it here so well. How is work at home? Do you have enough to do? I cant find enough time to do any work. That makes me glad.

I guess I shall sign off for now as I have some more letters to write and its getting late.

Yours Truly
Lawrence

P.F.C. Lawrence Hill 16160305

422 T.S.S. Bks. 1030

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Miss. Lois Davis

21269 Berg Rd.

Detroit, Michigan



ARMY AIR BASE
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

Dear Lois,

I received your letter today. Don't forget to put a good word in for me when you see Santa Claus.

I am glad to hear Bill is coming home. I sure hope he has a better furlough then I had. I wrote him a letter but as he has moved he probably didnt get it yet. Tell him to write when you see him anyway.

By the way if you want to impress me, dont do it by using so many stamps but with longer sweetes letters. You dont give me much to write about.

Yes Utah is really a nice state, and I like it here very much. I get to town every other night and really have a grand time, as there is so much to do. I went to the show last night. I have been working N.P. a lot, in fact had it four days in a row so am enclosing

a poem to express my feelings about it all. I start work at 3:30 in the morning and get out at 7:00 at night. Then when I go out for the evening I don't get over an hour's sleep. I am afraid it will kill me if I don't stop running around.

How have you been doing? I guess you have been a good girl from your letters. Have you been out much? I went to a concert here in camp and it was pretty good. I have a girl that wants me to show her around the camp. I am holding out for some night when I have to work so I can get out of it. I guess I am just a beast.

Well kid I got to begettin over for my chaw so shall close for now. Don't forget I look forward to hearing from you so write soon.

Love
Larry



ARMY AIR BASE
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

Once upon a morning dreary,
as you slumber weak and weary,
to your bunk will come a creeping,
the lousy C.Q. K.P. seeking.

as you lie there quietly napping,
on your shoulder comes a tapping,
a firm insistent steady tapping,
cease your napping cease your napping,
you'll shrug your shoulders, mutter protest,
turn your back and seek your solace.

Bother me not with mundane matters,
my celestial dreams your tapping shatters,

So all this the C.Q. tapping,
will sterner frown and redoubt whacking,
and to your protest will maintain.

One can but mutter this refrain.

Rubble rubble toil and trouble,
to the kitchen on the double.

So soon you'll wander weak and weary,
to the kitchen sad and dreary,
while on the air a wish is wafted.

May he rot in hell the C.Q. —

Sgt. Lawrence Witt 1616030F
Prov. Sq. "K" A.A.B.
Salt Lake City,
Utah.



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Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Michigan

April 1, 1944



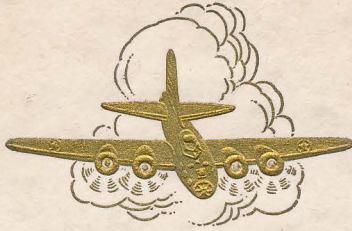
UNITED STATES ARMY AIR FORCES

Dear Lois,

I guess your wondering what became of me that I haven't wrote in such a long time. Well since the last time I have wrote I have been doing a lot of moving around. This is the first place I have spent more than one day. This our last stop on this side and we are just waiting for the weather to clear on the coast we are going to fly across. I get my A.P.O. address just before I take off from here.

They keep us pretty busy and we have our own ship to take care of, which takes most of my time. It seems every time we take off from a place that it closes in and we have to land at another field. I sure have seen a lot of country. The farthest east I have been was to Praxley Tenn.

I have met a lot of fellows I knew from other school in my travels. I has been a lot of fun but am glad to be going over soon and get into the real thing,



UNITED STATES ARMY AIR FORCES

I suppose things are about the same with you. Are you still working as hard as ever?

I got a letter from Mrs. Hanley and also a letter from church with a bulletin in it about the different ones in the service. I was sure surprised to find out the Garnet Sweezy was in the army. He sure is a dope.

Well I have to close now the boys around here are getting rough and I guess I will have to take them in hand.

As Ever
Larry

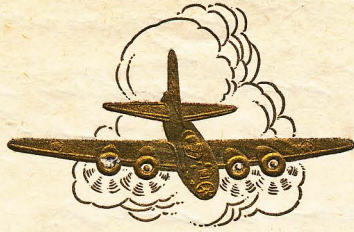
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Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Petrauit 19, Michigan

March 4, 1944
MAY?



UNITED STATES ARMY AIR FORCES

Dearest Lois,

Well how is everything with you these days? Its pretty nice here in England. Its nice spring weather and its only rained twice since I have been here. Its fairly cool and the country side around here is nice to look at but there isnt anything to do except to raise the devil every time they get us out of bed. We dont get a lot of sleep as they keep me pretty busy. The food is swell and we get plenty of it.

The whole crew is on edge and flare up on everything. Its pretty rough at times and I even get a little bit nervous at times.

We got a ride ~~one day~~ with a colonel and a captain from our ship to the mess hall the other day. I wonder what my brother would think of that. He is a P.F.C. in the Tank corps. I almost feel sorry for him at times. Was it Vickers were your mother used to work? My brother worked there awhile before he came in the army.

(over)

Well cant think of any more to say just
now. I think of me when you hear what
the Bombing is doing to Germany as I
am up there some were.

Love Always
Larry

1/99t Lawrence With 16160308
338 Bomb Sq.
96 Bomb Gp.
A.P.O. 559 7/ Postmaster
New York, New York



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan



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TO: MISS LOIS DAVIS

Gebührenfrei!

JOE

Absender:

Vor- und Zuname:

1567 Lawrence L. Witt

Gefangenennummer:

1167

Lager-Bezeichnung:

Kriegsgefang. Lager Nr. 3 der Luftwaffe

Deutschland (Allemagne)

Empfangsort:

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Straße:

21365 BERG ROAD

Land:

U.S. AMERICA

Landesteil (Provinz usw.)

Kriegsgefangenenlager

Datum: DEC. 5, 1944

Dear Lois, I HOPE THIS GETS TO YOU ALRIGHT. I AM NOT
SURE OF THE ADDRESS. ITS BEEN ONE YEAR AND FIVE
DAYS SINCE I LAST SEEN YOU, REMEMBER I SURE
HOPE IT WONT BE THAT LONG BEFORE I SEE YOU
AGAIN. MY MOTHER MENTIONED YOU IN HER LETTER
I HAVE RECEIVED THREE FROM HER. I LOOK
FORWARD TO ONE FROM YOU, Love Lawrence

May 3, 1945

Dear Lois,

I am now in France on my way home and hope and expect to be in the States before long. The weather on my trip so far has been rain and cold but its warm for a change just now. I hope you received the cards I wrote while in the Stalag. I couldnt write much because mail forms are few and far between so I wrote almost all of them to my mother. In fact its been so long since I wrote a letter that I am having a hard time of it. There are so many things to write but then there are so many things not able to mention. The censors are a bunch of kill joys.

I am on a diet and dont get to run around at all. I get plenty to eat though, nothing between meals of course and no sandy or pop, not even beer. When we got liberated we went out of camp and to chickens, eggs, hams, bacon, fruit syrup, and anything else we could find from the farms nearby. We went into town and took the Germans cars, motor bikes and bicycles. Were damn fun. You should have seen how mad they get. We also took all the milk and left them without any at all. None of it was waisted as we were plenty hungry. We only got a little of what we should have had right along.

We have a radio set up in front of our tent and heard the Hit Parade last night. Its sure sounded good. Its been a long time since I heard a radio. We have shows. I have seen 6 since liberation but none at this place yet. Maybe I will see one tonight.

There are many things to tell about but will wait till I am home. Untill then.

Lot of Love
Lawrence

1/sgt. Lawrence With 16/60308
21126 Karl
Detroit 19, Michigan



Miss Lois Davis
21365 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

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ARMINER

George W Grant
2nd Lt. T.C.

May 26, 45

Dear Lois;

I just got your letter and its sure
swell to hear from you again. Youre not
kidding when you say its been a long
time but I am in hopes of making up
for it all. I am home on a three day pass
just now, & go back tonight for about
a week and get a sixty day furlough
and would like to spend a lot of time
with you, I can hardly wait till we
can be together again. By the way you
didnt say when you would be home.
I wish you would let me know if
you can. I am quit fat now I weigh
a hundred and forty. I weighed ninety
pounds when I was liberated. I dont
receive many letters in camp. Five
from my mother and two more some
friends of the family. My camp is
Fort Sheridan and its pretty nice there.
They feed good and no work so I get
plenty of time to lay around. I havent
been issued any uniform yet. Just
enough to get home on, They dont have

my service records so they just leave
me alone. Convolosing more or less, on
a diet to.

You didnt say much about yourself.
& take it your making out alright as
you would have said something.

I shall close for now, In hopes that
we will meet soon. Write soon and
dont forget to let me know when you
will be home.

Love as always
Laurence.

Wgt Lawrence with
230 W. 6th St.
Sunday City, Michigan



Miss Lois Davis
607 Hudson St.
New York, N.Y.

August 1, 1945



UNITED STATES ARMY

Dearest Lois,

I will start by correcting a few mistakes I made in last night's letter. The first I said I was a block away from the beach, this morning I went out our back door and got my feet wet we are on the beach and also have a swimming pool. The other is what I would have to get up early in the morning, I was supposed to but didn't and it doesn't make any difference. I don't know whether to go to Romulus or Salfrage field when I leave but expect it will be one or the other. I expect to get my choice. I haven't found out much about any more rating but should know soon. I found out many got recommended as I did. I washed my clothes this morning and hung them on the roof, I suppose they will bleach in this sun. After I finished washing clothes I went and bought a swim suit and spent most of the day swimming. Everything is free and I expect to have a good time at no expense. I might go deep sea fishing if I get around to it. I have met a lot of fellows that I know here so won't be alone much. I went to get my pass and Non. Com. card and the Red Cross lady invited me to a splash party for tonight guess I will be going there. If I stay out much I should get as brown as a nigger. It sure is hot but not uncomfortable. So far there isn't much news to write about so let's talk about you.



UNITED STATES ARMY

I want to send you some things as soon as I get a chance to look around. See honey I sure miss you. I can hardly wait till I find out were I will go for sure when I leave here and when. I am sure I will be sent to Detroit. I would hate to have you gone to New York when I am in Detroit but if you feel that you would rather go back to school dont let me stand in your way as I wouldnt want you to be unhappy in any way. It would be a lot for me to expect you to give it up. I can say one thing though all I care about is being as near to you as I can and our time together at home has convinced me all the more. I had thought about you all the time when I was over seas and had always hoped you would care for me. It is so much more than I could hope for as it has turned out. I Love you and nothing else matters, and all I care for is making you feel the same about me. I know I wasnt nice most of the time but I was upset about leaving you and not knowing when I would see you again it worried me more than anything else. In fact I aint going to try getting in the hospital here unless they put me in I just want to get back to you as soon as I can. I shall leave now as will run out of things to say in my following letters. With all my love past present and future.

Love Always

Lawrence

write right away!!!

Ysyt Laurence J. with 16160308
120 A.A.F.O.U. Sq L.
President Madison Hotel
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Burg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 3, 1945



UNITED STATES ARMY

Dearest Lois;

I am now in the Hospital. Its just a place for rest and is similar to the Hotel I was in before. Its right on the beach. They seem to have more to take up my spare time, books and things but then I have more time to spare. I was out swimming again and I am getting a little red. Have to be careful of this sun. I dont know how long I will be here but I sure wish to get out soon. I will be advanced one grade when my service record gets here, that will make me master sergeant. I just came from chow wasn't much. I havent eaten anything solid since I came here. My waist line is ok now. Ill soon be as thin as you. I have been getting trim from swimming and diving. There is a dance here tonight, I think I will go down and watch. So far I have only wrote to you and my mother but think I will try and drop some of the others a few lines. You will have to pardon the construction of my letters but I write the way my mind wanders. Also the pencil cant get a pen yet. For recreation I swim, sleep, and eat, also think sometimes. O'yes ask your father if he can use a carton of camels, made from the finest Turkish and Domestic blends. I see a lot of gardenias down here but they dont look good at all, there real small with only five petals. I have been looking for something to send but havent had much luck.



UNITED STATES ARMY

By the way have you found a job yet? If so tell me all about it. I am getting anxious to hear from you so I can tell better what to write. I probable forget to write the things you want to know. Its always hard to carry on a one way conversation anyway. I got paid today. I got \$37.50 for rations while I was home and \$4.00 for travel pay. I still have two months pay coming. I am going to take it easy and save as much as I can. Our future you know.

See Lois all I do is wish I was with you. I am sure glad for one thing though I know your waiting to. You cant know how much it means to me. I need to be afraid before I come home that some one else might have already had you.

Nothing about coming home has meant so much to me as our engagement. I only hope you will feel as you do always, nothing changing unless for the best. I want you so much that I dont know what to do. It would have been so much worse if you hadnt excepted me though. If that were the case I never would get out of this darn hospital. I d just go butty. I am looking forward to hearing from you tomorrow or the next day. Its such a long wait. Well darling there isnt much to say so I shall close for now.

All my Love
Lawrence

4397 Lawrence att. 16160808
P.A.F. Regional & Conval. Hosp.
Unit P
Miami Beach 40, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 9, 1945



UNITED STATES ARMY

Dearest Lois;

Not much to write about today. I have been in swimming twice, done a little weight lifting and had my picture taken with two other fellows for the Detroit papers. I do return address I gave you today was for the permanent party here. It wont make any difference though. My address changes so much its hard to keep track of it. I just took some clothes to the laundry. I had physical exams again today. I hope they find what ever theyre looking for and start fixing me up. I didnt watch the dance last night as I was so darned tired. I dont get any passes to leave this place so dont have much to do not even a movie. I am tired of it already. I sure wish mail didnt take so long. I am so anxious to hear from you. I were playing "all the things you are" on the radio. How appropriate it is the dearest thing I know are what you are. I miss you so much. I just keep wishing we were together. In everything I do I wish you were here to enjoy it with me, I were deep sea fishing, swimming, golf all free. I were there movies and sight seeing trips. But I just dont have any interest in them without you. I will be a lot easier to get along with the next time you see me I am sure as I wont have this tired feeling all the time and I should be in a lot better health. Well darling there isnt much left to say. I couldnt explain all my love for you I just want a chance to prove how much I care. I shall close till next time and I hope I hear from you soon.



UNITED STATES ARMY

with all my love and affection.

Lawrence

*If you wait for my picture in the paper it
will be about two weeks.*



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Sunday
August 5, 1945

My dearest,

A rainy Sunday here and very lonely. Went to church and just finished dinner so I thought I would write to you.

Oh yes, met Mrs Hanley in church and she was mad at you for not writing soooooo you had better write her. Quick like a little bunny.

Well I do hope you get stationed near home if you have to stay in the army. It would be so nice. I miss you so it seems

like you have been gone for
a year and here is only
been a week and two days.

Will be clear
is taking in girls to the
show and I will make
this a shorter time
write a longer letter

Tomorrow

All my love
For

Lo Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19 Michigan



AUG 5

Via ~~Air Mail~~ ~~Post~~ Mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
120 A.R.F.B.D. Sq. S.

Hosp "P"
W-3A

~~President Madison Hotel~~
Miami Beach
Fla.

August 5, 1945



UNITED STATES ARMY

Dearest Lois,

Its Sunday all day today and I started if
off right by going to church. It was surprising to
me how few went. Out of three hospitals there
wasnt more than 75 went to church. It being the
first Sunday of the month we had communion
with real wine, guess I will go back next
month. I suppose you was in church also.
When I got back here it was time for chicken and
ice cream followed by a swim. The water is
plenty rough today. Did you know that B.O. Plenty
has given Dick Tracy rat poison but stick is
no rat I guess as he pulled through, exciting
isnt it? I got a touch of sunburn today, it
isnt so bad though. It didnt show up till
after I was out of the water an hour or so, I still
havent received any letters yet. Its been
eleven days since I left home. I should
hear soon, maybe tomorrow. I almost forgot
I went a.w.o.L this afternoon and got myself
something to eat. They are trying to starve
me here. I told the Doctor the food they give
me was making me sick and he got extra
mad at me. I dont care though as he is no
friend of mine anyway. We are going to have
some w.a.c.s here tomorrow who are going to work
here. O boy!! I suppose they will pestle me
all the time for dates, but I promise not to
give in. I dint had no truck with no
woman since I left home.



UNITED STATES ARMY

In a sweet little home of our own. I do hope its
soon. I am so anxious to be able to be with
you & dont know what to do. Well darling
& shall close for now.

With all my Love and Affection
Lawrence

P.S. I love you to much.

Vsgt Lawrence Witt 16/60308
Det. of Patients
Pancoast Hotel
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Burg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 7, 1945



UNITED STATES ARMY

Dearest Lois

What's wrong with the mail still & got no letter from you? I am getting anxious to hear a few words. It feels like ages waiting like this. I sure hope to hear from you soon. I met my ball turret gunner yesterday and he is coming up to see me tonight. Guess I will sneak out and go to a show. Yesterday they wouldn't let me eat anything all day and gave me some stuff in the morning that made me sick. Then this morning they gave me an avo enolicium test. They don't tell me the results of anything they do so I can't find out what they find wrong with me. I was in swimming three times today and the water is plenty rough. Couldn't swim against the tow and got washed over an embankment lucky I didn't bash into it. I am starting to get a tan and have built myself up a little & seem to have more strength. Although my being weak wasn't my only trouble, I still feel irritable and tired. Also the appetite is on the frizts all the time, & lost more weight & now weigh $120\frac{1}{2}$. The food isn't too good & I think is the reason. Outside of that I can't see any reason for losing weight. I am getting so I can swim quit a distance. Almost all the time I am in the water I am swimming one time for 20 minutes and its hard to do in this dough water. I will be a fish if I keep it up.



UNITED STATES ARMY

I guess that's all there is to tell about what I have been doing and you know how I feel and all I think about, at least you should it's always you. I love you and that's all there is for me. I am trying hard to get in the best of shape mentally, physically, and morally so you can be proud of me. I feel I have a long way to go to be worthy of you. I want so much to be able to provide for you always. I want you to have all the things you deserve but most of all are love and eternal happiness. I wish so much to do things for you, but there is so little I can do here but I am doing my best. It takes you to make something of me as I have so much to hope and strive for were as before it was just self survival without a good reason. I need you more than I ever needed anything. Without you I was becoming hard hearted and in fact it worried me, but not anymore. I shall close now in hopes of hearing from you soon.

All my Love Forever

Lawrence

P.S. Saving all my Love and kisses for you.

1547 Lawrence with 16160308
Det of Patients
Pancoast Hotel
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 7, 1945
Tuesday

Darling,

Its way early in the morning. In fact its just 8:00 and I am at work. We are suppose to start at 8:00 but you would never know it as I am the only one in the office. But I dont mind if gives me a chance to start a letter to you. But I wont finish it till I get home and read your letter. How its so nice to come home every night and get a letter from you, even if its a little note just saying

hello it lets me know that you
are thinking of me.

Some people have showed up
for work. ~~Soooooo~~ I shall
finish tonight dear.

Home but no letter from
you tonight, guess it was held
up on the way. ~~But~~ Guess
I can do without one for a
night seeing as I had so much
mail yesterday, but I miss it
so.

I'm still worried about you
being in the hospital though
even if you say you aren't
sick.

Golly I miss you coming
over every night, I knew
I would miss you but
I didn't know I would
miss you this much.

Guess I just love you too much. Think so I think Otto left last week so Sara and I will be going to shows again, Tacye and I aren't on speaking terms so I can't go with her. Tacye will get over it soon though but I have to put her in her place once and a while.

Find T/Sgt Witt - Attention I am enclosing a picture that I found this week of a dark blue room. Please look at it carefully. Do you think its too dark my dear? Please send it back as I would like it for my scrape book. I knew I would find one, and am I

happy.

Welllllll darling I
better close for tonight as
its getting late again. Have
to go to feed with the
chickens in order to get
enough sleep.

Lots and lots of love,

P.S. Please excuse I
the stationary but they
don't plan at work under-
stand it. Can you?
to write at work under-
stand it. Can you?
D.

Lo Dames
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit IN Michigan



Via Air Mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 1616030
Det. of Patients
Pancoast Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida

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Wednesday
August 8, 1915

My dearest Lawrence

At another day, and
you're away (Say that
rhymes)

Here I am at work
again all done. No one
seems to mind being
late but me. Oh!

Wellllll. Thought I would
write this morning as
I wouldn't have a
chance this evening,
Mother and I are
going to the show.

Are you getting a nice
tan swimming? I am
getting so mad at the
weather here in Detroit.
It's been cold enough
all week to wear winter
dresses. Do you spend
a lot of time down on
the beach? Bet it's
beautiful the swims you
sent were so lovely.
But Michigan's lovely
(some times) too so!
I think you should come
back and take in some
of the beautiful spots
here. If you only could

40 Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.



Air mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt
16160308

Det. of Patients
Parcoast Hospital

Miami Beach, Florida

August 8



UNITED STATES ARMY

Dearest Lois,

I received my first letter from you today and it has sure made me glad as I know I will be hearing from you from now on. I also enjoyed the poem. You didn't say anything about your job except you like it and have to get up at 5:30. What do you work and what do you do? What time do you get home from work and does it pay well?

What do you mean I aint sick! I was all the time I was home. They wont tell me what is all wrong. I have had X Rays and all kind of examinations. I seem to have had Pneumonia as they found a spot on the lung that I never had before. I got all kinds of ailments but dont think it will be so long till I am well.

I havent done anything today to write about I slept through breakfast and got up later for an X Ray. I dont think I will swim today as dont feel so well. I am reading a book called "The Master Christian" I just started it but it seems pretty good. I also wrote a few letters and thats all. I went out with my Ball Street Cumber last night his name is Boatright and we went to a party at the President Madison but didnt stay long from there we went to the Arrow Club and then to a movie. Saw behind those walls, I guess that was the name of it. It wasnt so good.



UNITED STATES ARMY

I got a letter from my mother today and she didn't say anything about the pictures but as soon as she gets them she will send you one. + look forward so much for one of you.

I met Corporal Phillips last night and I told him about you and me. He said I made a good choice. Because I'm lucky. I also met Stanford walk I told you about him.

I can understand what you mean about not knowing what to do and yet having so much to do. It's a state of nerves caused by too much excitement from love and anxiousness in my case and hope and expect it the same reason with you.

Yes I think I know George Weaver if it's the one I know he has a young sister and lives not far from the church. I knew him in grade school. But it's been so long since I heard about him. He used to be a swell fellow. To bad it had to happen that way.

Well darling I am running out of things to say your letter has meant a lot to me I am so glad to hear from you. I hope you got my package alright. I didn't have any return address on it. I am a bit worried. I shall close now.

With all my love & kisses

Lawrence

Vsyt Lawrence With 16160308
Det of Patents
Parcoast Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 9, 1945

Thursday

My dearest

Another day without you - they seem to be adding up ^{too} too fast. Didn't get a letter from you again last night, but I think I should tonight.

Went to the show last night - it really was good the name of it was "An American Romance" I think you would like it if you get the chance see it. Met Ray in Redford and also Louie he ate dinner with us. Oh yes he said he was

going to write you, I gave
 him your address, and
 Mrs Hanley called up last
 night, my aunt said
 and wanted your address
 so you had better write
 her. Oh - tay?

Have you gone fishing
 yet? Bet that would
 be fun even if you
 didn't catch any thing.
 Riding in the ocean and
 every thing. Be careful
 and don't get burned
 though.

Have you found out any-
 more about your rating
 and where you will be

stationed yet.

If you have to stay in the army I do hope you can get stationed where I can see you once and a while (just about every day) at least. Oh hon, I miss you so, just can't get use to you not being around - maybe any I don't want to get use to it. Think so?

Maybe the war will be over soon. The paper said 90 days with the Russians in



Lo ~~Detroit~~
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.



Via Air Mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt
16160305

Det. of Patients
Pancoast Hospital
Miami Beach, Fla.

August 9, 1945



UNITED STATES ARMY

Dearest Lois;

First I wish to express my gratitude for your faithfulness to write, & received three letters scented with feminine sweetness, that reminds me of many a sweet evening together. I sent your father's cigarettes yesterday & had to use a stationary box as I am not supposed to send them, you know. So Mrs. Hunely is mad, to bad! I will write here though some day. I haven't done anything the last two days except stay in bed, but think I might go swimming today for a short while. I am glad to hear you miss me so and hope it won't have to be for long. But when it's a test for our love an interlude in which to reflect on past present and future of our love. I breathing spell to think and understand are another. A real proof of our attachment and darling a find my love for you is a real force driving me to better character. I really love you and want you to have it best. You know what of course as I always mention it and yet I still can't say all I feel it all so much. I am so glad you got the net and hope you like it & didn't know just what to send and I didn't want anything too large and homely looking. I am also glad your getting my letters alright and hope they mean as much to you as yours mean to me. So the girls are tired of listening to all my virtues. Don't be too hard on them maybe they just don't understand.



UNITED STATES ARMY

you misunderstand about my not having any
desire for the activitys around here. It isn't
that I want to go. It wouldnt mean anything
without you to share it all with me. When I
hear or see anything nice it makes me long to
have you to share it with me. Its an empty
feeling without you, and if I didnt feel that
way I would go but I would rather feel this
way it means so much more than the material
things that surround me here. I am in a world
of thought alone with you and all the beautiful
things of this world, and above all is our Love. May
it abide within us always.

Well darling I shall class for now.

Eternal Love
Lawrence

457 Lawrence Witt 16160308
Det of Patients
Pancoast Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida

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1945



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Burg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 10, 1945

Darling,

Received two letters from you last night that made me very happy but am sorry to hear you aren't getting mine. I have written you every day since I received your address. Probably held up because of your change in address. Hope you have them by now.

Wellllll my dear we have been engaged a month today. Any regrets

yet? Hope not.

How, is there anything I can send you that you would like to eat.

Marye sent me a box of nuts, that is, she sent you a box from me. Hope you get it soon cuz ~~if~~ it might not be good to eat later.

Hope the W.A.P.'s aren't pestering you too much dear, just show her my ring if she bothers ^{you} too much.

Lawrence don't worry about saving money all I want is you and if we don't have money

Wellllllll I guess we would
not be the first ones
that started out without
much. Any how we
will both be working.
And we can do any-
thing we want to if
we work at it hard
enough. Can't we?

Just so you come home
Soooooon, soon, soon.

Wellllllll my dear I have
some work to do now
so I will finish this
tonight.

- Just finished eating
so I thought I would
write you. Received I
letter from you and
dear I am so sorry

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to hear you aren't feeling
good. Hope you are
feeling better by now.
Golly I don't like the idea
of you losing weight
either. I'm so worried
about you.

And T/Sgt Lawrence
with this is a bawling
out. What do you
mean by saying that
you are trying to get
in shape so that I
can be proud of you.
If I hadn't been proud
of you do you think
I would have promised
to be your wife? I think
that's part of being in
love. So Mister stay

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just as you are and
I shall be happy.

Wally Time & on the
radio and they are
play all my songs
wishes you were here
to dance with me.

But seeing as you aren't
I had better get some
sleep so that I can
go to work tomorrow.

All of my love and kisses,
John

Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich

AUG 10



T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
Det. of Patients
Pancoast Hotel
Miami Beach, Fla.

August 10, 1945



UNITED STATES ARMY

Dearest Lois;

I just received another letter from you. Sorry you didn't get a letter from me that day but it must have been when I was sick one day. I like the picture alright except for the light fixtures. I don't think the blue makes the room dark at all.

Time seems to go much faster since your letters started to arrive and I look forward to them so much, each one is read and reread many times.

Boatright and I went to a show last night and he is coming down today to swim with me. I just got back from serving chow it took about an hour and it's the only thing I have done to earn my keep since I came here. I try made me swallow a hose this morning so they could get some fluid from my stomach, what a feeling. You have heard of kids feeding a chicken a worm with a string on it when pulling the string back out. Now you know what kind of kids these doctors must have been. Tomorrow I get another X Ray. Then I had another blood test today. They ought to know more about me than I do by now, but still haven't given any treatments. I am getting dark from the sun and stronger from the swimming and exercises I have been doing.

I just keep hoping we will be together soon for good. You are always with me in my thoughts and I love you so much. It is hard to be away and not know for how long. When



UNITED STATES ARMY

I was away before it didnt make any difference
as I thought of other things. Although I did wonder
if you thought of me. It means everything to
know you care. Well darling I havent any
news so shall close. I am sorry my letters must
seem awfully short. But I do love you and dont
know of anything else to say.

all my Love

Lawrence

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Det. of Patients
Ponce de Leon Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 11, 1945



UNITED STATES ARMY

Dearest Lois;

Received another letter from you this noon, I have been without eating again as they were taking X Rays again & am finished with them now and am glad of it. I was in swimming about an hour again today. & try to get in for an hour each day and then a little weight lifting to top it off. Boatright was in with me and we are going to a show tonight. I don't know what we will go to see as yet. I got a slight sunburn, as yet it hasn't peeled much. I hope it don't, I sent my mother a pair of wings today and a pillow case of Miami Beach and bought a hat. Its about the first money I have spent since I been in the hospital. I intended to go to a show last night but changed my mind and stayed home and read. I finished the book & was reading 625 pages it was very good and now I have another "The Dawn of Christianity". I suppose you don't get much chance to read or anything else with your job. I am glad you like your work. How is your scrap book coming along? Oh yes must tell you I am giving up smoking had two smokes today though, but that isn't so bad & wasn't trying to stop in a day.

Will darling I must close as it is time for show. Before I go I want to say how I



UNITED STATES ARMY

Long for you and hope to be with you
soon and hope to be worthy of your love of
which I am so thankfull. Will darling
untill tomorrow.

All my Love Forever
Lawrence

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Dept of Patients
Pancoast Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Sunday
Aug. 12, 1945

My darling;

It's evening and every-
thing is quite so I
thought it would be
a good time to write
you.

Sorry I didn't write
yesterday dear but I was
so busy all day that
I just couldn't. Went
shopping for us in the
afternoon to pick out some
china. Saw a pattern
that I would like but

If you put an order in now they promise delivery in two years so I didn't know what to do. Think I shall go to ~~Canada~~ ^{Canada} and see what they have in open stock. They have American made china that you can get now I understand.

It just came over the radio that the war was over. But Washington turned right around and said it wasn't. I sorta think it is though cuz that's what happened on D"day. Someone

let the news out and they didn't want the world to know yet. Hope

ooooooooo.

Say has your mother heard from your brother as yet? I know she was ~~so~~ worried about him.

Have you found out any more about whether they would like you to stay in the army? I suppose they have to wait and see the medical report though. Oh golly if the war were only over and you were home I

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would be so happy.
It will all come in
due time I guess, but
it is so hard waiting. I
miss you so terribly and
you can't really say what
you are thinking in letters
it just doesn't seem right.
Maybe soon dear, you
don't know how hard
I am hoping.

All my love,
Lois

P.S. Kiss you
goodnight for
me. O.K.
R

to Davis
26269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich



Via Air mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
DD. of Patents
Pancoast Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida

August 12, 1945



UNITED STATES ARMY

Dear sweet Lois,

Received another letter from you today and can't understand why you haven't heard from me as I only missed one day and that was because I was very sick. You will get them all sooner or later though. I went to the show with Boatright last night and saw "Without Love," it was a comedy with Spencer Tracy. It was very good. I will try and see "An American Romance" I had better be good.

Today is Sunday and it rained a little this morning but it is nice out now. I didn't go to church as slept all morning. Boatright is coming down again this noon to swim and we are going to see about going fishing this week. I have been drinking a lot of milk and fruit juice and I am starting to put back some lost weight.

I don't know anything about what will become of me from now on, how long I will be here and where I go will depend on my condition. I want get a rating until I get my service records and they say there is a mix up in that and it may not be for a long time. It looks like they are giving me the run around, and it makes me mad.

I got a letter from my mother today and my brother and one of my cousins is home. I sure wish they would have come sooner. I guess I will have to write Mrs. Hanby pretty



UNITED STATES ARMY

soon, maybe this week.

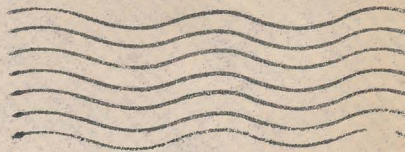
See darling & dont know what to think about you not getting my letters. I hope they start getting more regular as I write as regular as I can and I try to let you know all the news. I have been in the hospital a week and two days now and I still dont know what I am in for. They put me in because of nerves but seem to have found other reasons since then. I sure wish I knew how long it will be as I am anxious to be nearer to you. I miss you so much you all & think about. My mother still haent heard about the pictures. It should be soon though. I am anxious to get one from you to. Today is the sixth letter from you and they have been well read. I guess you know how much they mean to me. At least I hope you do. Well darling I am running out of things to say and I want to get this in the mail as they pick it up soon. If this comes without a stamp its because I couldnt get any today.

Lovingly Yours
Lawrence

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Det of Patients
Pancoast Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



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Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 13, 1940



UNITED STATES ARMY

Dearest Lois;

Well darling we are having Michigan weather here today it is dark and rainy and some wind. The ocean is rough. It was rough yesterday and I had a lot of fun floating on the waves and breakers. Two fellows moved out this morning so there are only three left in the room. I didn't go to the movies last night as we had a stage show here. It wasn't so good. I was going to do some shopping today but it rained so damn hard. They are playing some very good music in the patio. Gee darling I wish for you so much. I asked the nurse what was the matter with me and she says she's not sure yet. They don't let me have any breakfast as I have to have different tests in the morning so I gave the nurse the devil about it today. I told her I was losing weight so from now on I get breakfast after my exams. They sure are giving me the going over. They sure want to know what I am made of.

About Wac's they finally started work here. One was taking temperature and pulses, and she didn't know how. She held the guys pulses in front of me so long that I said "She must like you" everybody got a laugh but here. Then it took her a long time to figure how to read the thermometer. Then we have to clean up our own rooms and make our beds, and wait for show. I don't see why Wac's don't do it for us and let us take out our pulses.

So Joyce sent some nuts, goody! I hope they get here soon. Tell her thanks very much, it's my favorite fruit. My mother got back the first package she sent me as a P.O.W. Everything in it was okay except some nuts.



UNITED STATES ARMY

What do you mean by blaming me out for wanting to be worthy of your love. Really darling I have a long way to go yet. I was a physical wreck when I was home. I am getting built up and I have been mentally stagnant so cant you see how important it is that I should be active mentally and physically. I want you to have the best and I am a long way from it. The reason I want to serve as much as possible is so we can get started all the sooner. Nothing else matters. The present is lonely without you and all I have to do is save for a near future filled with just you.

You dont know what your saying when you ask if there are any regrets to our engagement. You must know better than that. You all I want in life and nothing will ever change that. I want so much to get home and get started back to work so we can be married. I am afraid it might be a long time yet. at least it is long already to me and am afraid it will be much longer.

I havent wrote Mrs Hanley yet but might today. I havent any news to write anyway. Thats why I havent wrote to her.

Well darling I am running out of things to say again. I just keep on loving you and wishing we could be together in all that I do. Someday it will be just that.

All Love and Affection
Lawrence

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Det of Patients
Paincourt Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 13, 1945
Monday

Dearest Lawrence,

Another week, I keep hoping every week that you will be home the next but so far - no go. Maybe soon, I hope.

Sorry - to hear you have to have so many X Rays and tests, don't sound like they would be any fun. Can't they find out what's wrong with you as are they just regular check ups.

Say if you go swimming

So much you will be
 a better swimmer than
 me. hmmmmmmmm, but
 I can always beat you
 in tennis can't I?????

Received the box of Camels
 today can't wait for Dad
 to see them, I know he
 will be pleased. But
 hon, you shouldn't have
 sent the money back as
 I sent it to buy them
 with. Thanks so much ^{though}
 its sweet of you to
 go to ~~sooooo~~ much trouble
 to get them.

Wellllllll my dear I
shall have to close for
tonight as I am quite
tired and am going to
bed early.

Good night darling -
write more tomorrow.

All my love and kisses
Yours

P.S. Don't worry
about writing short
letters dear ~~as~~ I
know you don't feel
well, it doesn't matter
about the length of
the letters ^{or how} its the
thought behind it.
Understand? D.

Lo Daves
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.

mail



Via air

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308

Det of Patients

Pancoast Hospital

Miami Beach
Florida

August 14, 1945
Tuesday

My dearest Lawrence

Seems like its going
to be forever before they
declare Peace. We have
been waiting all day
for the announcement.
But as yet it hasn't
come. Haven't done any-
thing at work all day
hardly except hear new
casts.

It is just pouring
out side but people
are making plenty of

noise anyhow.

Its an hour and a half
before its time to go home
hope I have a letter
from you.

Do hope you are feeling
better by now. Looks
like with all the Doctors
down there they could
find out whats wrong
and correct it so
you could come home.

Tell them I said so.
Think it would help?

I am very worried
about you though and

Do hope you are feeling
much, much better.

I am suppose to get
the proofs back from
my pictures Saturday.
Hope they turn out
alright but I doubt
it, will probably have
to have them taken over.
No it was raining out and
I was a little tan the
damp side. We shall
see though.

Hope I get yours soon
as I can write to you
better if I have your

picture before me.

Remember me telling you about school offering me a job for the summer in Florida

Wellllllllllll I got a letter from one of the girls that went, yesterday and she just loves it. Damn wish I would have taken it now, say I could be with you. But I couldn't have been with you the month and a half you were home though so its just as well

I guess, but I sure would
love to be there now.
Can't have everything
though so I will
settle for the time I
was with you. It was
so wonderful, just
like a dream. Oh well
you will be home for
good soon I hope. So
we can have fun again.
Have to close for
now. See you tomorrow

All my love and then some,
Paul

P.S. Excuse
the pencil
please, just
ran out of ink.
D.

August 15, 1945
Wednesday
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Darling,

Welllllll its here Peace,
it just seems to good to
be true. And it also means
that you will not have
to be going away again,
and be coming home
when you are well. That
is best of all to me.

We didnt do much
last night but watch
other people. First went
to church and then
down town. One of the
girls had a car but we
went on a street car ay
the traffi was terrible

after we got there we walked around a bit then sit on the curb and watched other people it was really fun they were singing, dancing and just everything. But all the time I was thinking of you and wondering what you were doing if you were able to get out of the hospital if you were having a good time and were happy. you will have to tell me.

Oh hon, I make so many plans for us in my mind that is, but they don't seem to be of

much good as you arent
here to talk them over with
me and letters arent very
good in that way cuz I
never was any good at
writing letters.

Damn didnt get any
mail from you today
or tomorrow counted
the President. Now
that isnt nice of him
is it? Cuz I shall
give them two days
off though cuz I always
have your other to read.
So I guess I shall live.

W. llllllll my dear
the family is all over

with some other company
so I have to go out
and entertain them some.
(Wonder if standing on
my head will do?)

Until tomorrow then

All my love,
Fais

P.S. - Hand kissed

LO. DAVIS
21269 BERG RD.
DETROIT 19, MICHIGAN



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August 14, 1945



UNITED STATES ARMY

Dearest Lois,

I just got my snail and the package you sent. Thanks so much! But no letter from you. I guess I might get one tonight though. I hope! I went to the arco club last night with Boatright and played four games of pool and a game of ping pong also celebrated the good news with a toast. We expect to go deep sea fishing today. The weather has cleared up since two days of rain and I will be able to go in swimming again. I went to see about a discharge but they can't see it as yet. So guess I have to wait. Boatright will be leaving here soon, I expect as he is through all his appointments. Staller another crew member is due here the 26th and a friend of mine from P.W. camp is getting in the 30th. So they keep me busy.

One of the wacs was taking blood from a guy today and she was real nervous and she put the needle in a then dropped it. Of course some of the fellows are in here for nerves and that stuff is hard to take so the guff up and fainted. More damn fun! I have been ribbing them plenty. Well starting I have to make this one short as I have to get ready for fishing. I will write again tonight.

All my Love
Lawrence

16160308
Det. of Patients
Pancoast Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 15, 1945



UNITED STATES ARMY

Dearest Lois,

Well darling another day without a letter from you. I guess the post office took a vacation. The war being over and all. Yesterday and today they gave me some medicine that they use to check liver reactions and it has made me sick.

I got my picture they took for the paper and would send it only I haven't a large enough envelope. I should be in the paper any time now. Boatright is ready to leave and there's something him near home. I got a letter from Mrs. Tucker today that's my pilot's mother and she said she got a letter from Stoller's and he is very nervous he was also on the crew. I guess that doesn't mean much to you though as you don't know any of these people. Stoller will be down here though the 26th of this month, so I might get to see him.

I didn't go fishing yesterday as the bus for the trip didn't show up, so we went in swimming instead maybe I will go fishing some other time. I keep forgetting to sign for a pass and so I don't go out very often.

See darling there doesn't seem to be much news to write about. I can't find out anything around here. I haven't even seen my service record and still don't know how many points I have although it's a least 64. So I want get out for some time yet. I do a lot of reading and that's about all I do. I try to get out in the sun as much as I can and do a bit of swimming. I drink at least a quart of milk a day and if they let me have breakfast I have at least two quarts a day. I should start putting on weight as soon as they get



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done with the Lab. tests. Its because of them that
I dont get any breakfast.

The picture I had taken for you should soon
be ready so you can expect it in about a week
maybe less. I hope yours is finished soon. I can
picture you with my eyes closed well enough, but
I want more than that. I know your picture will
be a comfort to me and a constant reminder of my
love for you. I dont need a reminder of that, as
its all that on my mind. I wish so much to be
with you, to be able to share so many good things
together. I love you so much that it hurts. I just
feel that anything I could do for you wouldnt
be enough. I want you to be happy about all else. I
hope I can always make it that way. I dont know
what I would do if you hadnt accepted me. I
have so much to look forward to. I had hoped you
would care for me when I come home and nothing
else seemed important. I wonder if you were
surprised when I wanted you for my wife. I guess
you hadnt thought of me that way before had you?
I had thought of it a long time as I started thinking
of it when I left on my first furlough. I had always
thought a lot of you and it wasnt hard for me to fall
in love with one so wonderful as you.

well darling I want to get this in the mail so
shall close till next time.

All my Love
Lawrence

Vsgt Lawrence Witt 16160508

Det. of Patients

Pancoast Hospital

Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis

21269 Berg Rd.

Detroit 19, Michigan

August 16, 1945



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Dearest Lois; I wait, hope, and pray that it may
Well darling I received to very welcome letters
from you and am glad your dad got the cigarettes. You
asked about my brother, he is home but I haven't
heard from him as yet. Yes the war is over but it
doesn't make much difference as far as my getting
out. They are still checking on me but think they
are just about done. I had breakfast today for the
first time in a long time. I was in swimming
already today and did some weight lifting. I expect
to go out again this afternoon.

Do you have been shopping for us already. Dont
get in to big of a hurry and pay two different prices
for anything, prices are still high.

Yes I am learning to swim a little better but
guess I had better learn to play tennis. You can
teach me that when I get home. I went to a show
last night and saw "Sings Sweeney" he is my hero.
I also saw Tarzan and the Amazons. He sure is a
rude character. I like the monkeys though. They have
been vacationing down here since the war is over.
That's why I didn't get a letter yet tuesday. Boatright
is leaving today and he is coming up here to
go swimming before he goes. He is going to be a
clerk on a field at his home town and live at home.

I suppose a lot of people will start leaving
Detroit soon if there going to. Maybe we will be able
to get settled soon. I sure hope so. I think we
will have plenty to get started. Our love foremost of
course.

See darling I sure hope its soon I want so much
to be with you forever. I cant think of words to
express my feelings but I love you oh! so much.



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All we can do is wait, hope, and pray that it may
be soon, so soon. Well darling & shall close and
get this in the mail.

Saving All my Love and Kisses for You
Lawrence.

X A big one when I get home.

a, Harila



*Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan*

August 17, 45



★ U. S. ARMY AIR FORCES ★

My Dearest Lois,

at present I am greatly disappointed as I waited most anxiously for a letter from you and none came. I had two yesterday so guess that must be the reason. I just finished reading through all your letters before I went to eat, there are nine of them, they mean an awfull lot to me and I love every word of them.

I had an awfull dream of us this morning. I dreamt I was home and we were all going to a big formal dance. Then I got my clothes soiled with grease and was ashamed to be seen and left the dance without seeing you. Then I woke up with the loneliest feeling because of being so close to you and having to leave without telling you in the dream I mean. It has made me think of you all the more today. Gee darling I wish we could be at a large formal dance with all our friends. Only I wouldn't want it to take place like in the dream, that wouldn't be so good.

I love you so much I just wish I could hold you in my arms as in times past. I feel like I would never let you go. Maybe I want to be here so much longer. I sure hope not. I sure isn't much else they can do for me here and they might send me to a hospital near home I hope.

I did a bit of shopping myself and got us something for a shelf for our house when we get a chance. Well darling I haven't any news at all as I have stayed in and am going to do so tonight.

all my Love
Lawrence

Tsgt Lawrence Witt 1616030P
Det of Patients
Pancoast Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 17, 1945



★ U. S. ARMY AIR FORCES ★

Dearest Lois,

I received a letter from you today and am sure glad to hear from you as I had quite a time getting my mail today. I moved to this hospital this morning and don't think I will like it here. The fellows in here don't talk so nice, if you know what I mean. I guess they think they are pretty good.

I ate down in the mess hall where I was when I first came here and met a friend of mine, we are going to church together tomorrow morning. I haven't been in swimming yet today but will go in when I finish this letter. I am having a hard time writing because the conversation in here is so revolting and it's getting on my nerves.

So your girl friend is down here I wish you could trade places with her for a couple weeks. It sure swell down here and I wish so much that you could see it with me.

I don't know why they sent me to this hospital or what will happen although I should be here two weeks or so. Then maybe I will get stationed some place near home. Only time will tell though. I do hope they don't take to long. I might even get a discharge.

Darling you mentioned about making plans, your not kidding when you say its hard to do, not knowing just what is in the future I hope it all gets straightened out soon. I wish they would let me know a little something of what's going on.

We had a good show in our lobby yesterday and I saw what it was a stage show, a musical, and special services had a program on of Dick Tracy, with King Crosby, Bob Hope, Sinatra, and others it was pretty good. I have to find out what's going on around this place. I have been taking it easy and get a lot of time in bed. I haven't been out in the evening for ever since Boatright left.



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If you asked me what I did when she was over,
over, Boatright and myself celebrated the night
before my mistake played pool and ping pong at
the Aero Club. It sounds like they did it up right
at home where went much around here, I didn't
notice any difference here.

Well darling I shall close now and get
out of this darn room.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

4 Sgt Lawrence With 16160308
Towers Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 18, 1945
Saturday

Darling,

Saturday again and very lonely cuz I didn't receive a letter from you.

Had a very busy day though. First worked a half day then went down to pick up my proofs. I really didn't care very much for them but I took one anyhow cuz it would take so long to have them done over again

and I am sending the
other three for you to
see any they didn't
want them back.

Now at a lumber party
and all of us are writing
our boyfriends - Who
could that be? You
better know.

Jay was glad to
hear that your brother
was home, to bad
he couldn't have come
just a little sooner
so you could have

seen him. Have you
heard from him?

Welllllll how its getting
quite late now and the
guys are talking so
much that I can't
think of anything to say

So I shall close by
saying I love you
so much and miss
you so much that
I just can't under-

stand why I can't be
with you

Will write a longer
letter tomorrow dear,

All my love,
Lily

To Dave
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19 Mich



Via Air Mail

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T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308

Det. of Patients

Pancoast Hospital

Miami Beach, Florida

August 18, 1945



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My Darling Lois,

Well hon, here I am again, I wrote you one letter today but put the date as August 17 so thought I would write another to let you know I didn't miss a day. The fellows have left the room and from there conversation I should know all the facts of life. It was awful to listen to but I avoided it by staying out all afternoon. I was swimming but our beach here isn't so good its deep from the beginning and have to keep swimming and there is such a tow today as the water is rough so when I got tired I had to come right out, so then I lifted weights. I started when I came here with 50 lbs and am now lifting 90 lbs and expect in a week or so to be working with a hundred and twenty. I also spent a lot of time learning to punch the punching bag. I have had a real workout and am plenty tired. By the way your girl friend work on 41st so I seen some interior decorating shops there. your photo had better be good as I dont want to wait much longer for your picture. I guess you know how I feel, but then you already have a picture of me there, that is if Joyce will let you look at it, or has Joan got it now?

You think your sorry because your not down here working well I have told you how much I wish you were here, but as you say the month and a half at home was worth an awful lot. I fact it means everything to me. If you could have been both places it would have been better we could sure have a swell time down here and its a place you will never forget.



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It's so unlike any place else I have been, and there are so many things we could do together. I think they have a folder postcard in the P.O. that's different than the ones I sent if it is I will send it one of these days.

Don't get a misunderstanding about this Peace as it doesn't mean I will be home as far as I know so far, I still haven't enough points and when I leave the hospital I will get assigned someplace near home but still in the army. But then I might get out another way, don't know how as yet but am looking around. I wish I was coming home a civilian but not much chance. Maybe it is better for us though as things will be so much nicer after things get going again and it will be easier to get started. You know I want you to have the best and am most anxious to get married soon, we shall have to wait though for a time. It sure hurts to wait especially when we can't say for sure when. If we only had a definite date that we could look forward to then we could at least count the days and see our future happiness coming closer. Gee darling I long for you so much! If you have any plans for us I wish you would write a few of them then we could think them over. The only plans I have so far is getting discharged, going to work, getting married with all the trimmings (honeymoon) to Georgian Bay and settle down to married life. It's all on my mind but I have to wait before it can become a reality. I have the money and will have more when I get out so there isn't much to



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to plan is there? Its sure going to be a gala occasion. Of course we dont have to go to Georgian Bay but anyplace you want to go, But I thought of it as its past Niagara Falls and we could stop there and also Cleveland, just for a look around. I hope my plans agree with you. Now you be sure and write some of yours.

Well darling I shall I have to close for tonight or it wont get out untill the morning mail.

all my love
Lawrence

1st Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
TOWERS HOSPITAL
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 16, 1945
Thursday

My dearest,

Just going to write you
a little note to let
you know that I am
thinking of you. Can't mail
it till tomorrow so I shall
put it in with tomorrow's
letter.

Can't help but wonder
how you are feeling and
are getting along. You never
say. Oh how I miss
you so. When Peace

was declaired I was going
to send the headlines to you
and say the was over now
you can't come home, but
then I thought it would
make you feel bad because
you couldn't. So I didn't
send them.

Welllllll my dear as
I said this was just to
be a note as mother and
I are going to the show.

Will write a longer letter
tomorrow.

Love and kisses
Luis

GENERAL  ELECTRIC

SUBJECT YOU
LOCATION MIAMI BEACH
REFERENCE SHOULD I HAVE SOME?

AUGUST 17, 1945

DEAREST LAWRENCE:

WELLLLLLLLLL HOW ARE YOU THIS BEAUTIFUL FALL DAY? GOING TO BE GETTING MY WINTER SUITS OUT, BUT THE WEATHER MAN CAN'T DO THIS TO ME, JUST GOT THEM PUT AWAY. IT SEEMS SO FUNNEY TO HEAR TO TALKING ABOUT GOING SWIMMING SO MUCH WHEN ITS TO COLD HERE. *Agaw*

AS YOU CAN SEE I AM AT WORK WRITING, JUST FINISHED MY WORK FOR TODAY, AND STILL HAVE ENOUGH TIME TO WRITE YOU. I AM GOING TO MEET JO AND REBA DOWN TOWN AND GO OUT TO DINNER AND TO THE SHOW AGAIN, IT SEEMS THATS ALL I HAVE BEEN DOING SINCE YOU LEFT, FIRST MEETING JUST ONE AND ANOTHER FOR DINNER AND SHOW. OH WELL I ENJOY SEEING THEM AGAIN, ~~XXXX~~ (EXCUSE PLEASE) BUT I AM GETTING TIRED OF GOING TO SHOWS.

SAY, RECEIVED MY FIRST PAYCHECK TODAY - NOT A FULL PAY BUT IT DOES HELP MY BANK ACCOUNT. IT WAS A PLEASANT SURPRISE CUZ I WASN'T EXPECTING IT TILL THE END OF THE MONTH. THEY DON'T HOLD ANY BACK THANK HEAVENS.

GOLLEY (TAKE THE "E" OUT PLEASE) I HOPE I RECEIVE A LETTER FROM YOU TODAY. THE OTHERS ARE GOING TO BE ALL WORN OUT IF I DON'T.

HAVE YOU STARTED TAKING TREATMENTS AS YET? OR DON'T YOU NEED ANY? FROM ALL THE SWIMMING AND SUNBATHS YOU ARE TAKING YOU ARE GOING TO BE BLACK BEFORE LONG, IF YOU TAN EASY.

TWO DAYS OFF IN THE MIDDLE OF THE WEEK IS WONDERFUL, BUT ITS HARD TO GET UP EARLY TO COME BACK TO WORK, THINK I SLEEP *should be past tense* ALL THE WAY DOWN IN THE BUS. NOT VERY CON-FORT-TABLE EITHER LOOKS LIKE THEY WOULD INSTALL BEDS FOR PEOPLE LIKE ME, DON'T YOU, THINK SOOOOOOOOOOOO????????????????????????????????????

WELL HON, ME THINKS I SHOULD BE GETTING READY TO GO HOME NOW. SEE YOU TOMORROW.

*Excuse all the errors
but its a new machine
and I just can't get
used to it. D.*

ALL MY LOVE,

Lois
LOIS

LO DAVIS
21269 BERG RD.
DETROIT 19, MICHIGAN



T/SGT LAWRENCE WITT 16160308
DET. OF PATIENTS
PANCOAST HOSPITAL
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

August 19, 1945
Sunday

My dearest,

It's evening again and I am writing you. It seems more like spending the evening with you if I wait till company's all gone and write you. Then I can be alone with you and just talk. Oh, golly how when will we really be able to be together again? The days seem so long and the weeks just seem months long. No matter how many people

seem to be around I'm
 still lonely. Can't really be
 happy till you're home.
 Know something? Well
 I think I must be in
 love with you. Do you
 think so? You just better
 answer right.

Stayed over at Betty's
 last night as I told you.
 This morning one of the
 girls took a fit and finally
 past out on us. We
 really were busy for
 awhile trying to keep
 her from cho~~king~~king to death.

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and calling her mother
to see what we should
do for her. We were
all so afraid when she
started turning purple
we didn't know just
what to do except keep
her mouth open. Gee
I hope I'm not around
when she has another one.

After the affair with
Pat was over we all went
to church and then to a
show so the day went
rather fast today but I'm
still lonely and lonesome

for you. Don't think I
could do enough in one
day, that I wouldn't
think of you most of it.
Not that I want to.

Welllllll darling
it's late and work ~~to~~ ^{tomorrow}
so I shall close for
now.

See you tomorrow.

All my love,
P
Love

Lo Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Michigan



Via ^{Air} Mail

T/Sgt. Lawrence Witt 16160308

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~~Det. of Patients~~

~~Pancoast Hospital~~

Miami Beach, Florida

August 19, 1945



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My Darling Lois,

Today is Sunday and no mail, this is the first time they haven't had mail call on Sunday. I was going to go to church this morning but when I got down to get the guy I was going with I found he was still in bed. So guess I will just go through the same routine as usual and get my exercise. I want to go fishing or something but haven't anyone who wants to go. I am going nuts with nothing to do. I wish I knew how long its going to be before I see you again I am so darn lonesome, I am decide myself.

We just had one of those tropical showers, it sure came down, but didn't last long. The sun is out again and its getting hotter than ever. The wind blew pretty hard last night and it kept slamming doors and rattling window shades, it kept me awake most of the night.

All I am doing now is waiting for tomorrow, two reasons in hopes of a letter from you and for my interview with the doctor and maybe find out what the score is around here. I am supposed to get a scheduled here for physical training in the morning and some class room work for the afternoon. I hope they can keep me occupied as I get stand it here with nothing to do much longer. Its so darn quiet that it gets on my nerves. One thing in Europe I kept myself busy. Of course I mess with fellows I know and we had so much in common, now I keep moving around and don't get to know anyone for very long.

Most of all I miss you though I just keep my fingers crossed and hope that it won't be so long. I do hope the doctor is encouraging if not I think I will take a furlough. I don't want to stay here any

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longer. I well, it may not be long although I might
be here anywhere from a week to three months. After which
I shall be stationed close by home. Maybe Range Park
would be close enough for awhile.

Well darling I shall close for now and get this
in the mail. I am get my exercise.

All my Love Forever
Lawrence

Ysgt Lawrence Witt 16160302
TOWERS HOSPITAL
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis

21269 Berg Rd.

Detroit 19, Michigan

August 20, 1945
Monday

Dearest Lawrence,

Lucky me received ~~four~~
letters from you today golly
was I happy.

Say it was a brake
for Boatright to get stationed
near home, but you will
miss him. Where is his
home?

Sorry you didn't get to
go fishing, but it would
have been fun, maybe
some other time you
will get to go though.

No, darling I wasn't
surprised that you asked

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me to marry you in fact I hoped you would for a long time. But I could not make up my mind if you loved me or was just going out with me because I reminded you of Tracy. After the first few times you came over I was going to ask you not to come over any more because of that feeling but I just couldn't make myself do it because I had so much fun with you. I decided that if you were not in love with

me as I was in love with you, welllllll I would have some wonderful weeks with you anyhow. And as it turned out it was much more than I hoped for. And dear, I am so very happy because you do love me.

Just ran out of ink so I shall have to finish without it.

Think I can get some shoes next week a new stamp is due and Dad said I could have his and then maybe I can practice a little and beat you in a

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game of tennis. Think
So?

Wellllll my dear,
mother and dad are having
fits cuz I'm still up so
I had better close for
tonight.

All my love dear,

Paul

Lo Dams
91269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich



T/Sgt. Lawrence Witt 16160308
Towers Hospital
Miami Beach
Florida

August 20, 1945



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My Dearest Lois,

Well darling & finally got a pers. Its an ever sharp \$7.95 but I got it for \$6.00, not bad huh! & got a letter from you & one from your dad. & didnt know were you worked untill you read there stationary. Well about a furlough & guess I could get one but I want to come home to stay. I am trying to get discharged and if that dont work I will get stationed near Detroit and live off the post. It would be better than coming home now and losing my chances of getting home to stay. My mother said my pictures hadnt come yet but they should have been there by the time you get this. She will send you one right away of course. I sure look forward to you. I was expecting to see the doctor but no luck maybe tomorrow, then I should know a little more about whats going on. I sent you another folder postcard with a picture of the Pancoast on it. I like you can see what kind of a dump I was in.

You said I never mentioned how I feel, well you can see I am not in to bada shape or I wouldnt be swimming so much. But I always feel tired and require a lot of sleep. I feel weak (my back and legs) but outside of that there isnt much except my stomach and headaches. I shall get over it though all I need is to get in civilian life.

I went to the show last night and saw "Over 21" it was pretty good, finished up the evening with pineapple juice. Not very exciting.

I havent any news whatever as I didnt see the Doc. Its got me a little upset as I expected to find out a few things. See darling I dont know what to do I want you

no damn bad I think I might come home. I will see about it tomorrow. I shall close for now as am going to get a workout and also want to write to my mother.

With all my love
Lawrence.

August 20, 1945



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With all my love
Lawrence.

1st Lt Lawrence With 16160308
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Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 21, 1945
Tuesday

My dearest,

Didn't receive a letter from you today, guess I should be satisfied with getting four letters from you yesterday but I just can't hear enough from you.

Oh, how the funniest thing happened to me this morning. Welllllll I didn't get up in time to make coffee to put in my thermos so I just opened a coke and put in the bottle. On the way to work

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the top flew off with a bang
like a shot gun, hit the
roof and then came down
right down on the mans
head in front of me. The
people on the bus were
all laughing and trying
to find the top of my
bottle. That is except
me and the man in
front of me, but how
was I to know - that coke
was not supposed to
be but in a thermos.

Wellllll live and learn
as I always say. By-
the-way I did get the

top back but I drank
water for lunch.

You will probably have
all sorts of trouble
with me. But maybe
you will live through
it. Hope so at least.

Well dear - its been just
about a month since
you left but it seems
like only yesterday you
were holding me in your
arms and kissing me, and
yet it just seems like
years since I heard you
talk. Guess Im not
making much since but

what I'm trying to say is
that it just seems like
years since I've seen you ^{really}
but yet you seem to
be here all the time sorta
like a dream. But its
still you.

Wellllll its late dean
and I have to get up with
the chickens as per usually
so I shall close for
now.

All my love,
Paws

Lo Dams
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Michigan



Via Air Mail

T/sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
Towers Hospital
Miami Beach
Florida

August 21, 1945



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Dearest Lois,

Well darling I got in this hospital Saturday and today is Tuesday and I see the Doc today for the first time, same service. He had better be good to me as I am sorta mad. I will let you know the results, I hope there good. I was exercising this morning but havent been in swimming as yet the water is rough today as had a good wind last night. I thought we might have a storm, the season for storms is here now and I might see a good one before I leave here. I just came from dinner and I see the Doc in a little while I will be busy all afternoon. I have picked up a little weight about 5 lbs. I am getting it on the right places. I sure was a funny specimen of humanity before. I almost wonder if your love was from pity (kidding course). I read another book last night called "The Green Shiver" it was pretty good. I havent any mail from you yet today might get some this afternoon, I hope!

See darling I dont know what to write about is so done monotonous around and nothing to write about. I am thinking of you always and you are all that occupies my mind and heart. It seem ages since I left you and it will soon be two months. I want forget the night I left. You cant know how I felt and then old man Swick had to talk so much boy he had me mad! You might have noticed I wasnt very responsive. I wanted to be alone with you. We were deprived of much time we could of had together because of transportation but gas rationing is over now and no reason why we shouldnt have a car now, so next time I will buy either a new one and if I cant get that we will have the next best, regardless we will have a car and more time together. Your going to see a lot of me when I get home again. I will really make up for this time I am away. Well darling I am out of time but I will write again today and I hope I have some news one way or the other.

With all my Love
Lawrence

1st Lt Lawrence White 16160208
TOWERS HOSPITAL
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 B. Rd.
Detroit 17, Michigan

August 21, 1945



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Dearest Lois,

Well darling here it is, what I have been waiting for, I seen the Doc. I seen my case history and its plenty long, but they never found a thing wrong with me and I am perfectly normal. He said my condition is from what I been through and its a matter of time and I will get over it. He said they would keep me here for discharge but under the present setup they cant give me one from the hospital. He said they expected it to change and then they could give discharges to P.W. in hospitals then I can get out. Of course if this change dont come soon I suppose they will send me to duty. So far I see no reason to build my hopes up. I believe he is giving me a hint to keep me in here without my raising to much (well you know) about it. But then there might be something to it so pray if there is that it will happen soon, real soon!!! as I am anxious to be back with you. Oh! darling I miss you so much.

They are going to give me light treatments and message for my back to help it along. Then I take P. T. (physical training) and a couple classes a day of my own choice. So they might keep me busy, although I can do a good job of that without any of there help.

I didnt have any mail from you this afternoon, damn it! Oh well tomorrow, things are a bit mixed up with me moving all the time.

I guess the weather at home isnt so good from what you say. Its really swell here. Its been windy lately and not to hot. Its always cool at night. we have had some rain this last week a couple times. My lines are getting on an angle.

Well honey I am in big hopes of maybe being with you before to long. I cant think of anything I would rather have. I shall have to close now as its time to eat again. I am sorry this is so short but I am sorta mixed up with what I found out today and I want to find out what my chances are. I just keep my fingers crossed and wait.

With all my love & kisses

Lawrence

1/5yt Lawrence Witt 16160308
TOWERS HOSPITAL
Miami Beach, Florida



AUG 21

Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Wednesday
Aug. 22, 1945

My darling,

I don't understand this mail situation today I received two (I mean three) letters from you. Not that I am complaining but I wish they would send them on as you mail them and not collect them and send them all out at once.

Say mister I don't know if its such a good idea marrying you after all, the way you have gone in for weight lifting.

and punching bags. Doesn't
sound so good - I mean
healthy for me does it?

I really shouldn't be
writing you tonight cuz
I'm not in a good mood.
Had a fight with Ray this
morning about going out
with it so much, and
everything at work went
wrong because of it, and
then - to top it all off I
came home and Dad
was mad ~~at~~ and was
going to shoot Bunny
because she killed a
few of his darn chickens.
He didn't shoot her though
so I feel better.

I suppose this is very interesting to you, why don't you just tell me to be quite? All right that's enough of that anyhow.

Sounds wonderful that you might be stationed at Range but I'm not planning on you being stationed any where near. So I want be

dissapointed if you aren't.

It really would be to good to be true anyhow.

What kind of a house do you want? Or don't you know? Guess its too early to make up your

but I just thought I would like to know and see if its what I had in mind.

Yes, I have your picture in my room but I had to warn everyone with there life in order to keep it there. Hope I get the other one soon. Dont think this one looks much like you.

Welllllllll hon, I shall close for tonight and I promise to be in a better mood tomorrow.

All my love & kisses,
Dore

Lo Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.



Via ^{air} mail

T/Sgt. Lawrence Witt 16160308

Towers Hospital
Miami Beach
Florida

August 22, 1945



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My Darling Lois,

I miss you so much and am hoping it won't continue much longer, as I can't stand being away from you. I am always thinking of you and it's the longest thought I have ever owned. I long to be with you so much and there is a chance that my hope may become a reality. This is all I have found out. My next appointment with the Doc is the 4th of next month then I can leave the hospital. When I leave the hospital it means I will be sent to redistributions for about a week and from there near home. The only thing that can alter that is the possibility of a discharge. Of course that would be better as we would be together for keeps and that means more than anything else. I have never been homesick before, so it must be you. I love you more than I can say. I long to hold you again so much! The doctor asked if my heart pounded more than usual, and I told him it sure did. What I didn't say was you, the reason. I am sure my heart beats for you only. Oh darling I love you!

I received two letters from you today and the proofs and you really look lovely. It made me want you all the more. They are really swell. I can hardly wait for the picture itself. It brings me so much closer to you. I feel as though I were talking to you face to face and saying all the things I have wanted to say but couldn't find the words or the courage. But you must know my heart and the things I would say. As you must have the same feeling from what you say. I am so glad that it's you who care for me. For I know of none other I would rather have, you so sweet! I am so thankful for the proofs.

That sounds like quite a shabby party you were at. Most exciting. People choking and all.

I shall tell you my daily schedule now. I arise about 7:30 A.M. (of course) and get my back message and had one today and did a lot of good. Then at 11:00 I go to a lecture



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from 12:00 to 1:00 I eat and at 1:00 I have a class in math and at 3:00 to 5:00 a class in science the classes being two hours so they shall keep me busy. Tomorrow I see about my pay which I want yet for some time, but I must see about it, and that's about all there is to tell about me.

I shall class now with hopes of being with you before to long. And,

all my Love and Kisses
Lawrence.

P.S. even more Love!!!

1616030P
Tsgt Lawrence Witt
TOWER HOSPITAL
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 13, Michigan

August 23, 1945
Thursday
Real hate

My dearest Lawrence

I shall have to write
reallllllll fast in order to
get a letter finished for
you ~~today~~. It is now
11:55 and I just got in.
Yaw see I was coming
home from work like
a good girl I should and along
comes Betty and Gloria
along to lead me to a
show. I shouldn't
have gone because I
had so many things
to do at home and I was
feeling very lousy so

I thought I would go.

Oh golly hon, typing at work is ~~is~~ getting very lonely too, typing ^{and} the date I don't know ~~how~~ how many times a day is getting on my nerves) thinking of how long its been since I've seen you or heard you speak. Wonder how long it will be yet. Can't be soon enough for me.

Welllllll darling I shall close for tonight as its so late, write you a much longer letter tomorrow

All my love,
Lore

Lo Dams
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.

DETROIT, MICH.
AUG 24
3:30 PM
1945



Via Air Mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308

Towers Hospital

Miami Beach
Florida

August 24, 45



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My Darling Lois,

I just received another letter from you, it sure is swell to hear from you all the time. That's a good one about the coco cola in the chumo. I guess you know now. Wasn't that sort of embarrassing?

You were saying how long it seems since I left when you get this it should be the 27th one month since I left. I was almost certain it was two months till I stopped to figure it out, and it seems more like a year alright. It may not be so much longer though. Although it will be weeks and each week will seem ages.

I went scouting around again yesterday and the Doc seems confident that I will be out soon, he also told me that I would get my flight pay for the last three months which amounts to about \$150.00 each little bit adds up I will be rich by the time I get home. He also said another order came through about POW ratings so I might get another stripe yet. They don't know what they want to do yet.

I had my heat massage again this morning and then had my exercises they made me do a mess of back exercises. I feel real tired now but I will get used to it. I go to school again this afternoon for about two or three hours. I went to the show last night and saw Cray Pyles, "I.I. JOE", it sure was a swell picture as it is the way it really was over there. I also saw a picture about a Romance with Van Johnson but I didn't approve of the moral of the story. It was about a guy falling for another guy's wife, divorce and all that sort of thing. There's too much of that going on as it is without the movies encouraging it. It was disgusting although the music was damn good in the movie. They had a negro sing "Because", it's one of my favorites.



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You know how it goes. Because God made you mine I'll cherish thee! Maybe its that line that makes me like it as that the way I feel about you.

I met a friend of mine last night from Detroit that was in the same room with me in Germany also another room mate that from Penn. There are more guys I know coming through here. I only wish you could be here. Maybe being apart will teach us how much we really mean to one another and ~~so~~ we will make up for it all one of these days. All things work for the best for those who trust in the Lord. I feel that things will be a paradise for us to be together again. So let us exercise patience and make the best of each moment we are apart, that we might be all the happier when we are together again. With this thought I shall close till next time.

All my Love

Lawrence

1/5gt Laurence Witt 16160308
TOWERS HOSPITAL
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 24, 1945
Friday

Darling,

Another day just about at
a end, the days just fly
because I am busy all
the time but I think about
you all the time and miss
you terribly.

Welllllll Don received
another letter today, so
glad the doctor didn't find
anything wrong with you.
I knew you were worried
about it, it must be
a load off your mind. I
still am worried about
you though and will

be till your home for good. Wish that it would be soon. But I think I've said that before haven't I?

What size sweater do you wear? I want to make us one alike. It will probably take about three years though, the way I knit. But don't forget to tell me.

What classes are you taking Laurence? Tell me all about them. All you said in your letter is that you were taking two classes. And now how, that doesn't tell me much

Have you taken up cooking yet? I think you should cuz if you are going to do our cooking I wouldn't want to loose any weight. And I don't like toasted cheese sandwiches all the time.

Say the Pancoast & some hospital looks more like one of these summer hotels you see in the movies. How is the Towers? Is it something like the Pancoast?

Each day I keep hoping that I will get a letter saying you are coming

but no such luck as
yet, maybe soon though.

Good night darling.

See you tomorrow.

All my love and kisses

Raf

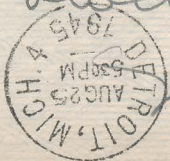
To Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.



via H⁵ mail

T/Sgt. Lawrence Witt 16160308

Towers Hospital
Miami Beach
Florida



Aug. 25, 45



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My Darling Lois,

I just received another letter from you and its funny the way your mail gets there. None for a couple days then four then miss a day and get three. I try to write at the same time every day so the mail would reach you regular but guess it doesnt help much.

You were saying about my exercising, its nothing to worry about as I wont beat you, if I could. Besides I still havent reached the shape I was in before I went over seas and thats my goal so dont expect me to be a super mouse or something.

It sounds like you have had a trying time. What do you care what Joyce does though. If she havent got any more sense than to run around all the time, its ~~her~~ her hard luck. Then if your dog wont bunny it might get rid of her fleas. After all the dog is spoiled anyway, and it shouldnt be killing chickens.

About being stationed near home. There is no ~~good~~ reason why I wont be some where near Detroit at least close enough that we will get to see one another but it will be awhile yet.

About my ideas of a home. I havent given it to much thought as I am waiting to see what the situation is in getting one. I dont want a place to large or to small would like to have it all on one floor without a basement. Ranch style but what ever you have in mind is okay with me. I aint so particular about such things and after all it will be your home and so it should suit you. Besides your ideas in that line should be better than mine. I was hoping if we could get a place were someone couldnt keep up the payments on it would be a lot better than building one, as there are so many out of jobs. Whats why I have been trying to get so much money ahead. We



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still have a lot of time to see how things turn out, and if we decide to build we can pick out what we would like and send for plans already drawn up. With so many changes in building it would be useless for me to try and draw up a complete set of plans.

Well darling dont let all your troubles get the best of you and dont be getting mad all the time. You said you shouldnt be writing because of the mood you were in. Dont let that stop you. Just say anything when you write as long as hear for you so much, and keep writing all the time.

I shall close now as am running out of things to say.

All my Love
Lawrence

Tsgt Laurence Witt 16160308
TOWERS HOSPITAL
Miami Beach, Florida



Max Low Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 25, 1945
Saturday

My darling,

What a day, cold just like winter but its bright and sunny now cuz when I got home from work there were two letters from you, one containing the picture. Golly I was glad to get it, looks just like you and say you are getting a tan aren't you. It made me miss you all the more though, honey I love you soooooo.

Lawrence it may seem like you have been gone for two months but you have only been gone a month. Ask me I know you left July 28. But it really does seem much longer to me too.

How, don't worry about Mr. Swick talking so much, it probably was a good thing anyhow but it kept our minds off your leaving.

and as for the car, we seem to have had one most of the time and when we didn't have one we

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got along alright but it
would have been nice to
have one. It was hard
on you though waiting on
all those buses after you
left me.

Well my dear, I shall
have to close for tonight as
we are getting up real early
in the morning to go up
north where Dad goes
hunting for a pic-a-nick.
(you can tell gas is off the
ration list.)

All my love and kisses,
Loris

Lo Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit - 19, Mich.

DETROIT, MICH.
AUG 22
4-PM
1945



Via Air Mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308

Towers Hospital
Miami Beach
Florida

August 26, 1949



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My Darling Lois,

Well hon, it is Sunday and no mail calls today so no mail today. I can hardly wait till tomorrow, to hear from you again. It is now ten thirty in the morning and all the guys are still asleep. It rained all yesterday afternoon and evening, but that didn't stop me as I went to a show anyway. I seen "Call of the Wild," with Clark Gable. It was pretty good of course it's an old picture but I hadn't seen it before.

One of my crew members is due today so guess this evening I will try and find him. It should be a surprise to him as I don't think he knows I am still here.

I sent you something about eight days ago by railway express. You haven't mentioned receiving it so I thought I would mention it. I hope it gets there alright. I also sent a folder card of Florida a couple days ago. I just wanted you to know who it is from.

I don't know how to say how much I miss you I have told you already and can only say I mean every word of it. I love you darling and miss you terribly. I want you so much and all I can think of is getting home to you. I hope everything goes right from the beginning as I am so anxious to be married to you so that we can be together all the more. Any desire that you might have is also mine as I want you to be happy. For that is my only desire is to make you happy. As long as your happy I will be also as you are a part of me darling, the part that means more than all the rest.

The funniest thing happened yesterday I went to lift a bar of weights that I thought was 70 lbs and I got it over my head twice and thought it rather heavy I found it was a 90 lb. bar. Oh well couldn't have done if I had known

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So today guess I will try a hundred pounds probable break my back. I will let you know in case it happens so dont worry.

I am reading another book now, after looking all over for something to read I noticed there were some books on the shelves behind the others and that were I found it. I guess the literature I chose isnt so well read otherwise it wouldnt have been over it was. Nobody reads much around here anyway.

I dont think I will get to church today as my laundry wasnt back and I havent anything to wear that I can enough. Then I got caught in the rain last night to make matters worse.

I dont know if I told you or not but I finally wrote Mrs Hanley and received a card from here and a stinzel copy that she sends out each month. Its called Mrs. Hanley speaks. All the news you know. There wasnt so much to it this time as she says she hadnt heard from many of the boys most of the stuff I already knew about as it was for the month of July.

I also received a letter from ^{TJ}J. Glen Schubert A-701460 I was wondering who it could be as didnt think it could be anyone I know. It turned out to be a friend of my pilots. I havent heard from Tony yet or Bill Gruenwald, I didnt write any of them till after I had been here a couple weeks.

I was going to play solitare the other day with a deck of cards I found in the room. After I had them all layed out I noticed to ace of hearts. Darned old penochle deck.

I still havent been fishing or anything guess I had better hurry if I ever intend to. Well darling I am again without anything to say except I feel your presence always and hope to be with you before long.

With all my Love
Lawrence

W. Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
TOWER HOSPITAL
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Burg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 26, 1945
Sunday

My darling;

At h the day of rest,
and that's all I've done
too except for playing
a little baseball and
eating, both nice forms
of work.

It was a very pleasant
day but I still missed
you terribly. We went
up to Peck, know where it
is? Went through Inlay
City to get there, very nice
ride.

I wonder what you have
been doing today, do you
take ~~exercise~~ ^{exercise} regardless

of what day it is?

Excuse the pencil but I
ran out of ink and can't find
where the family hid it, and
they are all in bed.

Which is exactly where
I should be so I shall
say good-night.

All my love,
Lod

P.S. Plus a kiss

Lo Dams
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.

DETROIT, MICH
AUG 27
4-PM
1945



Via Air mail

1/sgt Lawrence Wilt 16160308

Towers Hospital
Miami Beach
Florida

August 27, 1945
Monday

Darling

How are you this lovely evening? Wrote you ~~one~~ already today but ~~lose~~ it up cuz it didn't sound like me when I read it again hope they all dont sound like that.

Received two letters from you tonight which made me very happy and the folder from the cypress gardens. These beautiful arent they? Do you think you will get to see them before you leave? It would be a nice trip for you.

They are playing, "I Don't
Care Who Knows It," on The
Radio. (I don't have the
subject in the ~~wrong~~ place
but I guess you understand
what I mean.) I really
love the song and I love
you too, in case your
interested.

And Mister Witt killing
Bunney wouldn't have
anything to do with fleas
 cuz she hasn't any, anyhow
and I think she's afraid of
chickens now cuz Dad
gave her a spanking. It

hurt her feeling³⁻ ~~to~~ awful.

You should see my foot
its about the size that two
should be. You see I
sprang it playing baseball
yesterday and didn't know
it till today. Its all red,
and purple, real pretty.

Say, the picture you
sent me, is that the one
thats going to be in the
paper? I miss you so that
as Gie said that over and
over and I can't think of
any thing else tonight
Sooooo I will close.

With all my love
Doris

Lo Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Michigan



VIA AIR MAIL

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
Towers Hospital
Miami Beach,
Florida

August 28, 1945
Tuesday

My dearest Lawrence;

Well here I am at work again, none to do as yet, but don't you worry they will find something, they always do.

Its about two hours later now so as you can see they did find some work, but I fooled them and finished it right away.

How I don't know if I ever told you about Stack or not. (I went out with him quite a bit while I was in New York) Well anyhow I received a letter from him yesterday wanting to know how things stood between us. Golly he must think I gave him a line telling him I wasn't

in love with him and that I thought
I could never be in love with
anyone enough to marry. What
I didn't know ^{then} was that I was in
love with you all the time. The
letter made me feel terrible, I
thought he had forgotten all about
me because I hadn't heard from
him any more since I told him
that and that's been over five months.
I really didn't know he felt that
way about me until the last time
I went out with him.

Well any how that's enough about
that, I wrote him and told him
all about you and how happy
we were. But I still felt
bad cuz I know how I would
feel if you ever wrote me and
told me you were not in love
with me and never was.

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And about Joyce dear, I know I shouldn't get mad and tell her I don't like her friends, she has a right to choose her friends just as I have a right to choose mine but I still don't like the friends she is going with. So there. But there isn't anything I can do about it.

More work damn!

Back again and how I been working, in fact its just an hour before quitting time and there's still plenty to do but I thought I had rather write you instead.

Bolly its getting dark and side hopes it doesn't rain before its time to go home - Oh well its always

fun getting wet is it ~~it~~.

Welllllll darling I had better close
for now and get ready - to go
home. Will try and write
again tonight though.

All my love and kisses,
P
daff

CO DAVIS
21269 BERG ROAD
DETROIT 19, MICHIGAN



VIA AIR MAIL

T/SGT. LAWRENCE WILL 16160308

TOWERS HOSPITAL

MIAMI BEACH,

FLORIDA

August 28, 1945



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My Darling Lois,

Sorry I didn't write yesterday but I wasn't here I could write all day. I went to Hollywood Florida to see a friend. It's a city about an hours ride from here. It's all Navy there. This other fellow that went with me was supposed to leave here but I don't think he got back in time or not missed and has last night and I didn't get back till 5 A.M. this morning. I shall have to go down and see if he got in any trouble.

I sent most of my stuff to the laundry and I think they lost it or something as it should have come in several days ago and it hasn't yet, and I don't have a clean uniform to wear.

I went to see the Doc and he says I should be out soon. They still haven't put me on the payroll the last time I checked they couldn't find my service record. I don't expect to get out of the army until they find it or get me another one. Maybe I can start all over.

My mother still hasn't received the picture yet. I can't think of any reason why it should take so long. She is going to write them and see what's wrong. She has been down there about its work.

I got a box of candy from you today. I was afraid it would be melted when I saw what it was, but there in good shape. Thanks!! It's so nice of you to be thinking of me.

You asked what classes I am taking. Well I am supposed to have a lecture every day at 11:00 that's on life when we leave the army. I haven't been to that yet. Then I have a class in math and one in science. I have been to that once. They don't do anything in these classes and it takes up the best part of the day. I went on a sight seeing cruise yesterday to. I had been on the same thing when I was here before so didn't get much out of it.



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Its sweet of you to want to knit me sweaters but how do you expect to find the time, with your work and everything? I wear a size 34 and the sleeve length is about 32. It would be real nice to have one made by you.

Well darling I am running out of time as I have to go to this class at 11:00. That's the only one I have to go to. The others don't matter and they don't care if I go to them or not. I want to get this in the mail before I go to class as it won't go out till late if I wait till after. I will try and write a better letter next time I had to hurry this one.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

1/5gt. Lawrence Witt 16160308
TOWERS HOSPITAL
Miami Beach, Florida

MIAMI BEACH, FLA.
AUG 28
7 30 PM
1945



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

August 29, 1946



★ U. S. ARMY AIR FORCES ★

My Darling Lois,

First of all I hope you will excuse the pencil but I couldn't find my pen. I received two letters from you yesterday and two again today. I am glad you like the picture I sent guess they arnt going to have it in the paper or it should have been in by now. Poor me cant get any picture in the paper.

In your letter you asked me what I did Sunday. One of my crew members was coming in then but he didnt and while I was waiting for him I met a fellow from Ann Arbor who was with me over there and since then my program around here has been upset. I have been going to shows and around in general. I told you about going to Hollywood Florida it was with him that I went. The reason I spend so much time with him is that he is only going to be down here a few days. They are closing this place here and sending everybody to Texas. That's where I will go when I leave here. I thought they would give me a brack for once but I guess not. I sure wish I could get out of this. If they keep on they want have any place to send me then I will have to come home. I hope!

I have some very pleasant news. In fact it makes me so happy I think I will cut my throat for joy. First of all they havent found any service record as yet and say they dont expect to ever get them again. Then I cant get paid because they dont have any record of my last pay. The doc. put me in for a rating and I cant get it. No record! Then I went to see about flying pay for the last three months and they say I cant get that either. Then on top of it all they are going to send me to Texas



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one of these days. I dont know what to do about all of this they made a temporary record on me otherwise I would have been able to go home. What a mess. I am going to see the president about this. At least somebody should. I am exposed to be having a rest from combat and all that sort of thing and all they do is worry me to death.

This has gone on ever since I have been here. Its the reason my letters are so brief at times. I just cant keep my mind on anything as I cant depend on any plans I might make. I want to be with you so much and havent the slightest idea how long its going to be. If it wasnt for wanting to be with you so much it wouldnt be so hard to take, but I miss you so much and cant tell how long it has to be.

I only wish you could be here with me then things would be so much better. I could stay here until I got my discharge, but the way it is now I want to get moving as I might get near home. I think I will see the Doc about all of this and ask him what I should do about it. I know what he will tell me already though.

well darling I shall leave for now with hopes that we might be together soon. I know this letter isnt very cheerfull maybe I can do better next time. I felt you should know what its all about though as you are waiting to.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence.

Vspt Lawrence With 16160308
TOWERS HOSPITAL
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

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Thursday
August 30, 1945

Darling,

Work again you must be wondering
if I do any work with writing
you all the time — Well I do
work — honest.

Say you are going to have a
visit next week or the week
after. I ennette Bounds is
going down to Florida and I
gave her your address so that
she could look you up. And

Sister what did you tell Mrs
Hanley, from what I ennette
said she thought you were

on your death² bed.

Did you get in touch with the other fellow that was on your crew? Bet its nice seeing all of the fellows again.

So you are lifting 90 lb weights without know it. Are you practicing up so that you can do the things that Super-mouse does? Hows your flying? He flies you know without an airplane. Like to see you try that. Just so you dont hurt yourself dear it can be done very easily with weights I understand. Clark tly droped one on his foot and Porta flatened it a little.

Did you ever meet Clark? I think you did but I'm not sure. His girl friend received a letter from him yesterday saying that he was on his way home so I guess they will be married.

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How its sweet of you to want me
- to be happy all the time but all
you have to do is keep on loving
me and I will be as happy as I
be.

I am suppose to get my
pictures by Tuesday or Wednesday
So you will probably have them
about September 10th. Do you
want me to send them on or
do you think you will be sent
on to another camp before then?

I received a card from the
Railway Express yesterday saying
that there was a package in
the Warehouse for me sooo

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mother had it sent out to the shop
and I should have it in about
two days. And of course I
knew who the folder came from.
Thank you so much.

Say I could come down
to Florida next week, one
of the girls that work here is
leaving next week to go back
to college and is driving
all the way down. Damn!!!
wishes I could go. But seeing
as I can't I won't worry about
it. But I'm not giving her
your address cuz she's too
pretty. So there.

Well dear I shall close for now but
will write again when I get home
tonight.

All my love,
Lain

LO DAVIS
21269 BERG ROAD
DETROIT 19, MICHIGAN



VIA AIR MAIL

T/SGT. LAWRENCE WITT 16160308

TOWERS HOSPITAL

MIAMI BEACH,

FLORIDA

SEP 1 1945

August 29, 1945

Wednesday

Darling

Didn't receive a letter from you last night so I didn't write another one - to you say I was rather tired when I got home and went right to bed. Those buses get me down. They are suppose to build a subway system in here. The plans were in last week's paper but from the way Detroit works things it will probably be fifteen years. I should worry, just so I get home in time to start back to work.

Did I tell you that no girls are starting a club? Wellllll we are. They are coming over tonight for the first meeting. We are

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supposed to make dresses but
we will probably do more
talking than sewing as we
usually do. But it will
be fun anyway.

Wonder why I never get any mail
from you on Tuesdays? Maybe
they don't fly it from Florida
on Sunday. Think so.

Say I didn't tell you that
the family is going out to the
lake over the week-end. Seeing
as this one is going to be a
long one, we thought we would
go out on Saturday afternoon and
stay till Monday evening. The
only thing is that I wouldn't
get any mail from you. Wish
you could come too.

Was gone for two hours. Did
you miss me?

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I miss you more and more all the time, that is if its possible to miss you more than I did at first.

Its going to start raining any minute now. Would I love to walk in it cuz its so hot I am dying.

You will have to excuse the pencil, but I am at work again as I told you and they still dont furnish ink. And after I told them about it too.

Home now and the girls just left. Had a nice time and accomplished quite a bit too. Surprised?

Welllllll darling its quite late so I had better close for tonight

GENERAL ELECTRIC
IN THE UNITED STATES
20 That I can get some sleep.

All my love darling all of it.

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LO DAVIS
21269 BERG ROAD
DETROIT 19, MICHIGAN



T/SGT. LAWRENCE WITT 16160308

TOWERS HOSPITAL

MIAMI BEACH

FLORIDA

August 30, 45



★ U. S. ARMY AIR FORCES ★

Dearest Lois,

I just received another letter from you today. Boy your foot must be pretty sore from the descriptions you gave of it. Does it keep you from work? I take it you play a rough game of ball. I hope it gets well soon. I was playing Golf yesterday. The government furnishes the clubs and course and charges for the balls if you lose them. I was lucky enough not to get any lost and so I played for free. I went to a movie last night.

Didn't pay any attention to the name of the picture but Earl Flynn was in it. It wasn't so good and we left before we seen it all.

The fellow I have been with the last couple days is gone now. He left this morning. This afternoon I met another fellow I was in camp with over there. They sure keep me busy. I met a fellow I know from Detroit last night.

There isn't anything much to write about. I am glad you got the folder OK and the picture I sent was for the paper but I don't think they will put it in as it's been so long now. I still haven't found my pen and don't think I will now. There isn't many places it could go to and I can't find it. I sent a lamp by railway express. It should be there by this time guess they must have lost it and I haven't got the bill of sale. Ward Luck.



★ U. S. ARMY AIR FORCES ★

I havent any more news except to tell you how
much I miss you. I keep wishing you could be
here or visa versa. Darned old army anyhow I
cant see what they are keeping me for. Just a
bunch of kill joys & gues. I have so much to
look forward to though and feel I shouldnt wish as
much as I do but I am soo anxious to be with
you! I love you so much and miss you so that
I dont know whether I am coming or going. I
hope its over soon and I can be with you. I also
hope they get my picture finished soon for you.
Well darling I shall close for now. All
my thoughts and hopes are of you my darling!

Eternal Love
Lawrence

Voyt Lawrence Airtel 16160308
TOWERS HOSPITAL
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 17, Michigan

Friday
August 31, 1945

Darling,

Received the lamp last night and its beautiful. Mother and Dad said it looked just like Florida but I told them that it was a lamp. In shipping the stem of it had broken off but Dad said that he could put it back on and other wise it was in very good condition. Thanks so much dear it was sweet of you to send it.

Day day today, more fun. My boss gave me my check and was kidding

all of us, and asking us if we had any money that we could not use that he could use it. So I gave him my whole check back - just to keep till tomorrow though. But he still got a big kick out of it going around and telling everyone that I was the only friend he had in the whole office and everything.

You see there is a crowd of the family going to Boblo tonight and I didn't want to take it with me over there, so I gave it to him to put in the safe for me.

Colly I hope it rains cuz I don't want to go

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tonight. I have so much
~~to do~~ at home that it isn't
funny and so everyone
wants to go tonight. Oh
well its always fun dancing
with my sisters and dont
forget Ray and Bob they
are all of fifteen.

~~I thought of candy melting~~
on the way down to
Florida thats why I
sent Taffee.

Received a letter from
one of the girls I met in
New York and she said
that her husband was on
his way home now. He
was in a ~~tap~~ prison
camp for a year and a
half I think it was.

Wellll my dear I shall
have to close now for
its time to go meet
Barbara

Write a longer letter tomorrow.
But for now;

All my love & kisses
Lars

P.S. I love you very,
very much.
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GENERAL  ELECTRIC

SERVICE SHOP

5950 Third Ave., Detroit 2, Mich.

RETURN TO:

LO DAVIS-21269 BERG ROAD
DETROIT 19, MICH.

VIA AIR MAIL



T/SGT LAWRENCE WITT 16160308

TOWERS HOSPITAL

MIAMI BEACH,

FLORIDA

August 31, 1945

Dearest Lois,

Well darling here I am again & just finished reading the letter I received this morning. Gee I didn't know you had somebody so serious about you in New York but can't see any reason why you shouldn't have. I was afraid when I was overseas that you might get serious with someone before I got back. I am glad you didn't. I know it must be hard to tell him about me. That's the way it goes though. I sure consider myself lucky that you chose me, and I sure hope I can make you never regret it.

yesterday I went down to see a friend of mine that was leaving and met another one when he came

in. So I had quite a time. These fellows only stay here two days and then go to San Antonio, Texas. My crew member that was supposed to come here this month got an extension and won't be here for a month yet.

Today I had my back Rubbed and lay under the heat lamp a half hour then got my mail and when I got done answering it I am going about 30 blocks from here to see a friend of mine and go swimming. I might go to a show tonight. These friends I mention are all males of course.

Oh yes we are going to write a letter to the higher ups about the dirty deal PW are getting. From

The stuff they put in paper, a person would think we got treated good, but we have the worse deal down here. I had worked I.R.P. in our group & would have enough battle stars to get me out of the army but as I flew and got shot down I don't get anything. It sure is a mess and nobody will do anything about it.

Well darling I shall sleep for now as I haven't any good news and I don't want to be to uncheerful. I just hope I can be with you soon. It seems so long since I have held you in my arms and kissed you good night. That's what I am looking forward to and hope it comes soon.

(over)

T/Sgt Lawrence With 16160308
Tower Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

September, 1945

Saturday

My dearest Lawrence,

Welllllll dear, I just have time for a short note tonight cuz its real late but I wanted ^{you} to know that I was thinking of you and I love you and I just every thing.

After I got home from work this afternoon we started out for the lake but we started out too late and didnt know

just where it was and it
got dark and we couldn't
find it so we are staying
at a tourist home for
tonight and try and find
it tomorrow. (Say that
was a long breath I took
wasn't it?)

Sorry you lost your
pen dear, but your
letters sound just as
good in pencil to me. So
don't worry about it.

Well darling I shall
close for tonight but will
write a much longer
letter tomorrow.

Alldddd my love,
Luv

September 2, 45
Sunday

Darling

Surprise we found the cottage and its very nice nothing beautiful but its alright for just a summer cottage. The people that own it are away on a fishing trip. I take it they dont like the fish in this lake.

Oh hon, I wish you were here today its been so lonesome without you. And golly I won't get any mail from you

till Tuesday evening when
I get home from work.

It's really a beautiful
lake with Pine trees
all around but its been
too cold to go swimming
but Im not worried we
can dash back and get
our ice skates in the
morning thats really what
we came up for any how
I've been telling my self.

Talking about writing in
pencil I forgot my pen but
toy did lend me hers
to address the envelope.

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nice of her wasn't it.

Forgot to tell you, Ray
and I are taking driving
lessons. You just wait
and I can take you for
a ride when you get
home. I think I am pretty
good but Dad's fingers are
eating down to his elbows.

Honey I don't know
when I will be able to
mail this cuz we couldn't
find any place to mail
yesterday's so I will
just put them in together
O.K.

Saw Mary in Redford yesterday
and she said that Bob was
coming home in December.
Wonder what Louie will
do then? Say did he ever
write you? I gave him
your address and he said
he was going to write.

Well darling I will close
for now. When I start out
I have so much to say, but
none of it sounds right when
I start to write it except
I love you very much and
want you home.

All my love and kisses
Dad

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Detroit Mich

DETROIT, MICH. PA
SEP 5
3 30 PM
1945



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Via Air Mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308

Towers Hospital
Miami Beach
Florida

SEP 7 1945

Sept 2, 45

My Dearest Lois,

well here I am again! I mentioned the disappointment of not hearing from you yesterday morning but I got over in the afternoon and it made me feel a lot better. I was getting anxious about the lamp I sent it seemed so long before it got there I hope it is in good shape and also hope you like it. It's something for both of us. I also got some perfume to send yet. It isn't as good as you had before but hope you like it anyway, it's a bigger bottle this time.

Say about this visitor you mentioned, Jeanette Bounds, I wish you would give me more of the details if you can get them. You see I am so far out of town

that it will be hard for anyone to locate me unless they know the way around. So I will ask a few questions and if you can give me the answers it will help a lot. First of all is she in the service if so Army or Navy? Try and find out what day she will arrive and maybe I could meet her at the station. I guess that all I should need to know. The reason is I don't stay around the hospital much so I visit with Anderson a lot and he lives about 30 blocks from here. Also I would have to get uniforms laundered for the occasion.

About Mrs. Hanley, I don't remember what I wrote but she must have got the wrong

impression. It couldn't have been that bad.

About my lifting weights I don't expect to be as good as Superman and also don't expect to drop them on my feet. I am carefull not to lift any more than I can handle.

About the picture I don't know yet how long it will be here but as soon as I find out I will let you know I am sure anxious to receive it and hope it will be ready as soon as you say and am in hopes that mine will reach you soon.

Listen Pats! if you can come down here like you say, your girl friend coming and

all. Well you had better come if you can. It would sure be swell if you could be here. Is if you can come be sure and do so. Wont you? About your not giving her my address. You talk like you dont trust me. Not what to blame you, But damn an it level and no pretty girls can persuade me to be different. I am as true as they come Lois and to much in love to even want to be with anyone else. I only want you darling and hope I can have you soon for ever. I miss you sooo much!

It been cloudy all day today and it has rained a little. I went to church this morning

with anderson and then we
 etc and went swimming. At
 present we are writing letters.
 After which it will be time to
 eat again and go to vesper
 services. I wish you could
 know Andy he is one of the best
 fellows I have met while in
 the service. We might get to see
 them some day after we get out of the
 service, I hope.

Well darling I shall sleep
 for now with all my thoughts
 filled with you.

All my Love
 Lawrence

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Towers Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Bay Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

September 3, 45
Monday

Darling,

Just arrived home after a very pleasant day and we have company as per usual so I shall have to make this very short again.

Went swimming today for the first time since you left. The water was rather cold but if you kept swimming you didn't notice it, In fact I swam all the way across the lake.

Going down to pick up my pictures tomorrow, hope they are ready. They should be seeing as they were not ready Saturday but you never can tell.

Welllllll dear I'm sorry but

I shall have to go out on talk
to the company - Very boring, but
Mother and Dad have been in
at least four times asking me
to come out so I had better
close for tonight.

Hope I get a letter tomorrow
But tomorrow will tell that.

All my love and kisses
Lois.

P.S. Have I told you
I miss you very
very much?

Lois

P.P.S. Please excuse
the stationery and
pencil. P.

To Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.

DETROIT, MICH.
SEP 4
9-PM
1945



Via Air Mail
SEPT 3

T/SGT Lawrence Witt 16160308

Towers Hospital

Miami Beach
Florida

SEP 6 1945

Sept 3, 1945

Dearest Lois,

I received two letters from you today one of them is the one you carried in your purse and almost forgot. Glad you didn't forget though. They must keep you pretty busy at home with your club and picnics, then all the bus riding you have to do. That would be swell if they put in a sub way, but like you say they take so long to get anything done. Even so it would take a long time to build it in any city. By the way have you started on those sweaters yet it will soon be cold weather and you want to finish them before summer don't you? Or don't you work that part? I think its going to be a big job. I hope the

lamp get fixed ok and am glad
 you like it. You mentioned about
 thinking the sandy would melt
 & a good thing you sent what you
 did cause even they are soft but
 in good condition. Now have
 just about finished with them.
 They are sure good but most of
 all it means you are thinking
 of me which means the most. You
 right about not getting any mail
 on Tuesday its because no mail
 delivery here on Sunday. You
 should get two on Wednesday
 anyway. So it isnt to bad is it?
 Or dont you like to get them all
 at once.

I got a card to go Golfing today
 but am afraid I picked it wrong

day. Last night the wind really
 brewed up a storm and it rained
 real hard all day. I went to
 mass service like I said I would
 and it was pretty nice. I wish
 you could have been there with
 me though. I guess the only
 thing I can do today is go to
 a show as its such awful weather.
 Anderson has a physical this
 morning and hope everything
 turns out all right as if they
 put him in the hospital its most
 likely they will send him someplace
 else as the ones down here are
 full. I hope he gets to stay
 for awhile yet, Or else I wont
 have nobody to chum around
 with.

well darling I've not any more
news so will close for now
Still in hopes of being with
you soon although the outlook
isnt so good.

All my Love for You
Lawrence.

Vsyt Lawrence Unit 16160304
Tanner Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Michigan

Sept. 4, 1945

Tuesday
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My darling,

Another day and I received two letters from you today which made me very happy. Golly darling, I'm sorry - to hear you are having so much trouble with your service record. Can't they find it at all? Looks like they could figure it out by the records of the other members of the crew though. Or can't they work it like

that. I can't think of any
reason why they can't get
you probably could

Now, of course I want you
back as soon as possible,
but don't get mad just because
you can't come right now. The
army doesn't seem to be fair
in their dealing with a lot
of people so I hear and read
in the papers. But you will
get out sooner or later,
sooner I hope but we will
just have to wait. I love you
so and want you back, but
seeing as the later isn't

possible just now we will
just have to let our letters
do for a while. And even
at that we are a lot luckier
than most people. Work-

my dear, you will be sorry
getting up every morning
real early. Dam, here I

am trying to think up reasons
why you shouldn't get mad
and you have to stay when I
don't want you to, I don't
very good business sense

is it hummm can't say
that it even makes good
sense. But I do know

that I love you and the
sooner you are home the

the happier I will be, might
even be so happy ~~that~~ I
would consider letting you
kiss me, before we are
married even.

Welllllll darling, seeing
as mother is hissing around
for me to do dishes I shall
oblige.

See you tomorrow,

All my love and
Othen come,

P.S. Remind me
to buy some
ink. OK.

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To Dames
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich

DETROIT, MICH
SEP 5
3:30 PM
1945



Via Air Mail

SEPT 4

Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308

*Towers Hospital
Miami Beach
Florida*

SEP 7 1945

Sept. 4, 1945

Dearest Lois,

It's almost time for my supper and I haven't done a darn thing today. I didn't get any mail from you today so I guess I might get two tomorrow. I told you I had some perfume to send. Well somebody has taken it, but I got some more and sent it today.

I seen the doctor today and they are going to keep me here another week. After which I expect they will send me to Texas.

The ocean is real rough today as we had a pretty good wind storm it was about 40 miles per hr. It's cool today but looks to me like rain. It has rained a lot this morning but none this afternoon.

I went to a show last night saw Bell for Adams again. Do you remember when we went to see it? I thought of you all the time the picture was on and wanted you so much. I feel like that all the time though. It just made it a little more.

My friend Anderson is going to a hospital in Georgia in a few days. He and I went to the show together last night. You know Green Jove don't you? Well I met a fellow who went to school with her brother last night. That was at the Non. Coms. Club. It's the only place we could find were we could listen to a radio.

I haven't been in swimming for several days because of the weather. I imagine it would

be fun in today though as its good and rough.

I wish I had some idea what they intend to do with me in this army. They havent a thing for me to do and yet I have to stay in. I wouldnt mind for myself but I want so much to be with you. Its all thats on my mind.

Well darling there doesnt seem to be anything to write about so I shall sleep for now.

All my Love
Lawrence

Usgt Lawrence With 16140308
Lawers Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida

LA MI, FLA
SEP 5
8-PM
1945



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Sept. 5, 1945

Wednesday

Darling,

How are you this lovely day? I feel real good and it's so nice out. Even feel like working, but my boss is happy.

Thought I would write you at work today and I won't have a chance tonight. Coming down to pick up my pictures then over to Betty's for club, and it will be late when we get out I suppose.

I told her that I wasn't going back to school and she wasn't mad at all. She might not have to

cancel our room though
our Reba might go. But
it's all so indefinite that
it leaves her sort of up in
a tree, with rooms so
hard to get. But it can't
be helped, and she understands

Tim wrote to me yesterday
and said that he wanted
to get married on his
leave. He expects to come
home around the first
of the year. I think to really
wants to but ^{still} doesn't like
the idea of not dating
other fellows. Oh well
we shall see. I like
Tim very much, but the
fact that I like him

doesn't alter matters, does it?

Do you still think you will be sent to Texas? I haven't received a letter telling me what to do about the pictures so I shall send them on to you, as they can always be forwarded.

Excuse me for awhile. Welllllll darling, its late in the afternoon I and I wont have any time to write any more, maybe tonight though if club breaks up early.

I love you and miss

you but I say that in
every letter. Hope you
get tired of hearing it
and come home soon.

All my love and kisses
Lars

GENERAL  ELECTRIC

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5950 Third Ave., Detroit 2, Mich.

LO DAVIS

SEPT 5



VIA AIR MAIL

T/SGT. LAWRENCE WITT 16160308

TOWERS HOSPITAL

MIAMI BEACH

FLORIDA

SEP 7 1945

Sept 6th 45

My Darling Lois,

I received a letter from you this morning which you wrote labor day. It sounds like you had a swell time, and say how big is this lake you swam across? You said the water was cold. Its seems funny when the water is so warm here. I went in swimming yesterday and am going Golfing today. I went to a mid week service at Church last night and am going to a youth council rally Sat. night. I told you about anderson well there is another fellow here now who was also on the church council at camp and we have been together yesterday and today. I am afraid anderson will be leaving soon for a hospital in Georgia.

My mother got the pictures and you should get one soon. I hope you like it, and I hope I have yours before long. I seen the Doc and I will be here awhile yet so you can send the picture here as soon as you get it, and if it take awhile I will stay here until it comes so I can stay as long as I want. Everyone I have showed it proops to think you swell and all say I am a lucky devil. I am getting used to being away now, that doesnt mean I dont miss you as much and long for you, but that I am feeling better and am putting on more weight and getting better rest.

I am also less impatient. Everyone must say I look well compared to when they last seen me many had given me up for dead. They all envy me cause of the deal I got in the hospital and cant say as to blame them, as I have an easy life.

My mother sent me a lot of candy. I wish she wouldnt though. It makes me feel like I should send her something in return and I dont know what to send.

Well the fellows are here to play Golf and I shall play for now. I miss you so much and am still looking forward to being with you soon.

All my Love and the Love

Lawrence

P.S. A big kiss for you.

1/sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
Jowers Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Thursday
Sept. 6, 1945

Darling

Been happy all day today
and I received two letters and
your picture yesterday. In fact
your picture is sitting (one to please)
right in front of me now, I
am sorta talking ^{to it}. Not crazy
dear just in love. The picture
is so good of you but the only
thing wrong, it make me miss
you all the more. Oh darling I
love you so.

Hon. Stennette Bounds is a
girl from church - Remember, she
use to run around with Lillian
a lot. She is on her vacation
but I don't know when she
intends to look you up. She
has friends there and she said
she would try and see you
if she had the time. You must

remember her though as she was
in our Sunday school class and
young Peoples.

Lawrence Witt what do you
mean about my not trusting
you? Of course I do and and
more you know it and how much
that means to me.

How, you know I would love
to come down, but its not
possible for me to get off work
at this time. They are leaving
next week. I have been
trying to get her to take my
place at work and let me
go back to college for her, but
no luck as yet.

Well darling I have to close
for now and write and tell
your mother that I received the
picture. Thanks again dear,
All my love and kisses
Lore

David
269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19 Mich

SEPT 6

DETROIT, MICH.
SEP 7
5-PM
1945



Dia Air Mail

T/Sgt. Lawrence Witt 1616030
Towers Hospital
Miami Beach
Fla.

Sept 7, 1945

My Darling Lois,

I just received three letters from you. I had wondered why I hadn't heard from you, but now I know. You must have had a nice time at the lake and I know how you feel when you say you wish I could have been with you as I sure would like to have been there. So it really is cold as you say. If it is I think I had better stay here were it is warm.

You should have my picture by now and I hope yours comes soon. The closer the time comes for it being here the more anxious I get. I am sure having your picture will make me feel your that much closer.

I can't understand Joyce; if she is going to be married, I should think she wouldn't be so feckle. The way she chases some of these guys around. I almost feel sorry for the guy she marries as she may not change much. I know I get lonesome and all and yearn for someone to talk to but its because of you that I get that way and going with other girl would only make me feel worse.

About my service record hardly any of the P.W. records ever get here, and none of my crew have theirs. I can't understand why they don't send them but they don't, & don't feel so bad about that so much but I want to be with you as soon as I can and I am afraid it isn't going to be very soon. See darling & love you so much and them keeping us apart like this is what makes me mad. I want to get back to work so we can be married then we will be together always. I want so much to hold you close to me. I hope you will be so happy as you say when I get home that you even let me kiss you, but do you think it would be proper? I wish I were kissing you now, I just can't say how much you mean to me and guess I had better give up trying, I just as long as you feel the same about me you will understand.

About my pen it wasn't lost and neither was a bottle of perfume I had for you but was taken. I got another bottle of perfume and sent it already & suppose you have it by this time though. I hope you like the perfume & think it's supposed

to have a sweet smell and you said you didnt like perfume sweet. I didnt have much choice I looked all over for something good and couldnt find anything. Even if you dont like it you know I was thinking of you and wanted to do something for you.

I am glad your learning to drive and when I get home and get a good car you can drive all you want. I think you will get tired of it though. At least I do. Anyway then you can take me out.

I havent heard from Lory yet, and as for him and Wavy, well he ~~shouldnt~~ be going out there all the time anyway. So guess it wont hurt him any when her husband comes home.

You said you were hoping I would get tired of hearing you say you love me and miss me. Small chance you hadnt better get tired of saying it either. I want come home because I am tired of hearing it but that I want to be with you and I just hope it wont be to long. I am just anxious to be with you and its all I know or care about.

Well darling I shall close for now with all that I can give to you it isnt much but maybe you can make something of it anyway.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

Psyt Lawrence Witt 16160308
TOWERS HOSPITAL
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Sept. 8, 1945
Saturday

My darling,

Just a quicke tonight
dears as its quite late.
Dad took us all - to the show
after I came home from
work. Saw, "God is my ~~God~~
did you see it? It was
rather good.

Say hon, the gals were
singing and old Camp song
at Club Wednesday that I
thought was rather nice
so I ask for the words to

send to you ⁻²⁻ as I thought it
was sorta us

Tell me why the stars do shine
Tell me why the sky twine
Tell me why the ocean's blue
And I will tell you just why
I love you.

Because God made the stars
to shine

Because God made the sky
twine

Because God made the ocean
blue

Because God made you, that's
why I love you;

- 3 -
I really ^{think} that God above ~~created~~
you for me to love.

And that he keep you from
all the rest,

Because God knew that I
loved you the best.

Oh how, I really do love you
and miss you - But there
I go again so I had just
better close for tonight.

All my love and kisses,
Lore

To Dams
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich

SEPT 8

DETROIT, MICH. 74
SEP 9
930PM
1945



mail

Via Air ~~1~~ / Sgt Lawrence Witt
16160308

Towers Hospital

Miami Beach, Fla

Sept 8 - 1945

Dearest Lois,

I haven't much time to write this morning as I have been pretty busy. I did a lot of washing and took a bath and got all cleaned up, we had an inspection which took up a lot of time. I am going to a youth rally tonight and last night I went to a show down in Miami. It's the biggest show they have and we saw "A Horn Blows at Midnight" they had a stage show also with a pretty good band.

This afternoon I am going down to see Anderson, he was supposed to leave here yesterday and may leave today, as they took him off the other shipment.

I read an article about points for P.W. today and I hope they do something about it.

I didn't get any mail from you this morning. But I will come back for mail call this afternoon in hopes of hearing from you. I guess your picture should be here soon if you already sent it. I can hardly wait, but most of all I wish to see you in person. I miss you so much. You know that

at least you had better.

It hasn't rained so much in the last couple days and seems better than usual. Nobody feels like doing much.

Betty Katten is here on her honeymoon. It's plastered all over Miami papers all the time. They really gave it a build up.

I wish we were on ours & want you so much. So what do they do to me but send me way down here from you. They had better let me out soon. I feel like a prisoner when I am away from you.

Well darling I will love for now and I will try to do better next time. I hope you can read this alright as it's wrote in a hurry.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

P.S. It seems every time I write something comes up to hurry me along.

16160358
Vsgt Lawrence W. H. 16160358
Towers Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Sept. 1945
Sunday



UNITED STATES ARMY

Dearest Lois,

I have been pretty busy since the last time I wrote (yesterday) I went to a youth council meeting last night and afterwards to a show. This morning I got up real early and went to Miami to church. I had a very good swim so we planned to go tonight. I just came in from swimming. I was in the water about two hours.

I didn't get any mail from you yesterday, but got one from my mother saying she sent you my picture and she hopes to hear from you whether you get it alright or not.

I am way behind on my letter writing I have put so much of it off I hope I get around to it pretty soon.

I met another fellow today at the church council in camp that makes 3 of them here at the same time. The other two are the ones I have been going to church with here but tonight there will be one more. Anderson still hasn't left, can't figure it out as he was supposed to go long ago. He has been here ten days now and we have done everything together so far



UNITED STATES ARMY

since he has been here. Oh yes; I went bowling last night but didn't do so good. I got 95 and a 106 score.

These fellows I mention arnt in the hospital but are in the President Madison Hotel were I was when I first came down. I live about 30 blocks from them.

I put in for an award which I hope to receive in about two weeks. I should be a very pretty one.

I will leave the hospital as soon as I get my pay settled and a few other things that I am waiting to come through. I may not go to Texas after all, but don't know for sure.

Well darling, I guess I amount of near I only have left to say how much I love you and how much I look forward to collect these XXX big ones two. I miss you terrible and maybe some act of propedance will bring us together sooner than we expect, I hope!

All my Love & Kisses

Lawrence

P.S. X one for good night.

Journal with 16/60307
TOWERS HOSPITAL
Miami Beach, Fla.



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Burg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

September 7, 1945
Sunday

My darling,

It's Sunday evening again,
Wonder how many Sunday
evening I will be writing
you? Hope not many.

Had a date today with
5 beautiful girls. Went to the
AAT Institute and walked my
feet off and then to a show.
And now, then we went to
the Stalter to eat and was I
lonesome.

Remember that I told you

that Clark was coming home,
welllllll he isn't and was Dot
dissatisfied. They were going
to get married as soon
as he got home, but it will
be a year before then so he
said.

Darling I certainly hope
that it isn't a year before you
get home. It wouldn't make
any difference as far as
my love goes cuz I will always
love you, but I want you
home. Tell your commanding
officer that I want you to

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Come home and that will fix
everything.

Welllllll my dear, its
getting late so I shall
say good night

With all my love,
Lou

to Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Michigan



Via Flit Mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Will 16160308
Towers Hospital
Miami Beach
Florida

Sept 10, 1945
Monday

My Darling Lois,

Today is my mother's birthday and I just finished writing her a long letter. I know she will be pleased to hear from you that you got my picture and I hope your letter reaches her about this time.

I have been real busy over the week end. I guess you have gathered that from yesterdays letter. Yesterday morning I got up at 8:30 and went down to get the boys up and went to church with them and ate while they got ready. We went to Miami then and church starts at 10:50 and lasted an hour and a half. It was a wonderful service and the best since I have been home. After church the young people had a dinner and singing which we attended after which we came back to the beach to go swimming. After that I wrote my letter to you. The fellow I told you we met in the afternoon went with us to church last night and then we went to a show. It was a full day.

I am so glad you have my picture and am in hopes yours will reach me soon. I look forward to it so much. I have a double frame at home and we can have our pictures in it when we are married. They will be our engagement pictures. I wish so much you could be here but understand that you cant just come because we would like

to be together. I will be up that way in a month or so and I guess we can wait at least I am afraid we will have to wait. We will know what it means to be apart anyway and should make our love all the more binding. My only hope is to make you happy and hope that's the way you are. Although we arnt together I am happy at the thought that some day we will be and it means so much to me. I Love you more than I can say. No one has been able to define Love and its the same about God no one can understand or define him because it is so much stronger than we can understand. After all the to all one, For God is Love. You must think me awfully religious the way I refer to the bible and always go to church. But I cant help giving thanks for the happiness I find in loving you. I only wish I was worthy and maybe you can make me that way. I am so glad you miss me so and hope it wont have to be for long. I am sure I miss you just as much. I hope not more or less as I want you to miss me just as I miss you. All things we should have in common our love, and our life. How much I wish we could be started (what is together I mean)

Well now, I dont any news so shall close for now.

All my Love
Lawrence

Ysgt Lawrence With U160308
Towers Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida

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SEP 19 3
9-PM
1945



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

September 10, 1945
Monday

Darling,

Welllllll how are you today?
It isn't a very nice day here,
looks like it might rain any-
time.

Hope I get some mail from
you today cuz didn't get any
yesterday. That's the only thing
I don't like about week-ends!

No mail.

Say did you ever get to go on
that fishing trip? I never did
care much for fishing, but
deep-sea fishing might be
different. Do you like it?

No hon, I haven't started your sweater as yet can't find a pattern that I would like. I will probably get it finished before spring though. Hope so.

Have to go to the dentist tonight so hold your jaw and pray for me. He might not have to do anything though, I hope. But he can usually find something to do. Me, thinks I support him at least my family does.

Excuse me dear, its time for lunch. Finish later.

Back again, and its raining outside so I didn't get to

go shopping on my lunch hour, and it's the only time the boss said I could have an extra hour for lunch. I worked an hour overtime Friday without pay so he said I could have an extra hour for lunch some day. Sweet of him isn't it? But I took an hour anyhow and stayed in an read. Didn't want to go shopping anyhow, just trying to fool the weather.

Say you better not get too tan while you are away or I might not know you when you come home and that would be terrible - wouldn't it.

Welllllll dear, I had better

close for now as they just
gave me some work to do
that must go out. They are
kill-joys aren't they.

Till tomorrow then.

All my love,
Louis

GENERAL  ELECTRIC

SERVICE SHOP

5950 Third Ave., Detroit 2, Mich.

LO DAVIS



VIA AIR MAIL

T/SGT. LA

TO

FLORIDA

Tuesday
Sept. 11, 1945

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My dearest,
How are you this
lovely fall morning?
Wish I knew.

Darling thanks so
much for the perfume
I like it very much.
Your so sweet to think
of me. I also received
two letters from you
last night. So I
was very, very happy.
Say did the other
fellow from your crew

ever get in, you didn't
give his name, but you
said he was coming
(~~it~~) in and never said
any more about him.

How do you get the
information on when
they are coming in. Do
they post names some
where, or what. But
understand it.

Received a letter from
Lee yesterday and he
said he would like
to meet you. So
when both you wandering
fellows come home

maybe we can take
a trip down to Canton
and see Dot and Lee.
OK. Its a date then
probably in 1950 by the
way he talks.

You just better not
try ~~it~~ to stay away
five years mister, coz
I would be right down
in Florida long before
that. Understand.

I wrote you a letter
last night but I lost
it on the way to work
so I dont know if
you will receive

bit or not. But I thought
I would thank you
again for the perfume just
in case.

Today would be
a nice day for a
long walk. But it
wouldn't be much fun
without you so I
guess I shall just
stay home.

Wellllll dear I shall
dose for now

See you tomorrow

All my love
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P.S. Do you
have trouble
making heads +
tails out of my
letters. Mother + Dad did and I just wandered

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SERVICE SHOP
5950 Third Ave., Detroit 2, Mich.
LO DAVIS



VIA AIR MAIL

T/SGT. LAWRENCE WITT 16160308

TOWERS HOSPITAL

MIAMI BEACH,

FLORIDA

Sept 12, 1945

My Darling Lois,

I got another letter from you this morning the one you wrote Sunday, & to had about Clark not coming home and not expecting to for a year, I sure hope it will be less than a year before I get home. You so lovely and I love you so much I couldn't stay away that long. My love for you will not change either no matter how long we are apart, in fact the longer we are apart the more I want you.

Jeanette Bonds was here to see me yesterday. I guess she will be home by Sunday as she leaves here Friday morning. She brought me a box of candy. Don't tell her but I got more candy now than I know what to do with it all. She came with her sisters and we went riding around and went over where she works so they could see Jeanette then we went to a night club for dinner and then to a show so I had a pretty good time. Its good to see someone we both know to talk to. Her and Lillian Moray went to Lawrence Institute to study Metallurgy and she said she asked their Prof. if he knew me and of course he did and said a lot of nice things so far as I could gather. That was about two years ago.

There is something I had better tell you before she does or you apt to get the wrong impression. Starting the day before yesterday they have had a wac to rub my back. I was telling Jeanette how much I

enjoyed it, but I was only kidding. Although
it does feel good do you think you would
learn to Rub my back for me?

I didnt get to see any of the fellows yester-
day and didnt go swimming so as soon
as I finish this letter I think I will go down
there as am afraid Anny might have left.

See darling since I have your picture
here I just want to sit and look at you.
It means an awfull lot to have it as
it makes you seem so close to me.

The weather is much hotter here than
it was because of the rains we had, and
I am afraid I will be black if I aint
carefull.

I almost forgot one of the first questions
Jeanette asked is when am I going to get
married. of course I told her it might be a
long time, and she couldnt understand
why I wanted to wait, as if I wanted to.
It just isnt fair to marry while in the
service being together and apart but I am
going to marry you as soon as I get out
am I not my darling? you had better
say yes. maybe before long I will leave
this place and after that I might get a
clearer picture of whats in the future and
maybe we can set the date. I hope so soon.

I shall close now all I can say is I love
you and miss you so much and want to
be with you more than I ever wanted anything
before.

All my love

Lawrence

16160308
Sgt Lawrence Will

Towers Hospital

Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis

21209 Berg Rd

Detroit 19, Michigan

Sept. 12, 1945
Wednesday

Darling,

Another day, its real
early but not very
bright. In fact its so
dark out that I think
I should go home and
back to bed. But I
cant seem to make my
boss think so. All-
ways trouble.

Say hon I'm ~~glad~~ glad
you are having so
much fun with the fellows
from your church
group. But you were
glad to see each other,

again.

So you are behind on
your letter writing, you
should know better
than that, but frankly
I am too. Except to
you that is. Some
day we will get
caught up though I
hope or lose our
friends - one of the two.

Sounds so funny
to hear you say you
are going swimming
when Dad is getting every
thing ready to go hunting.
I like cold weather better

any how.

Your score sounds
good to me in bowling
any the two times I
went I got 35 and one
60 something. Balls
are too heavy or
something - couldn't
be me. You will
have to show me how
when you come home.
All-right?

I keep wondering
when you will be
home and hoping that
it will be soon,
Even after you get

your pay ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~traited~~ ^{traited} out
you won't know even
then will you? Oh,
well they can't keep
you down there for
ever can they. Even
though it does seem
that long since you
left.

Welllllll darling, I shall
close for now. See
you tomorrow:

All my love & kisses
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Via Air Mail



T. Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308

*Towers Hospital
Miami Beach
Florida*

Sept 13, 1945

My Darling Lois,

Its been two months and three days since we became engaged. It seems so much longer than that, being away from you like this. I love you more every day and long for you more than even I can understand. If I were to have just one day with you now I think I would just want to hold you so close and would dread the thought of letting you go again, but when I see you again it will be for more than a day and hope I never have to worry about leaving you go again. I want to know how you feel about this, If when I get discharged I go right over to see about my job and after I take it I have 40 days before I have to report for work. I was thinking it would be a good time to get married then for once I start to work we would have to wait a long time before we have a honeymoon. Also let me know about were you would like to go on our honeymoon. We could start planning early so when I get home we wont have to waste any precious time. Life is so short and I want to make the best of each moment of it. I expect some good news in the near future and so keep your fingers crossed and start thinking about what I have just asked you. I want you so much!

I sent you some perfume quit some time ago and I guess you never got it yet. I know packages take a long time but it shouldnt take this long. I had a hard time

with the perfume as the first bottle I got
someone stole and so I got the other one and
sent it and it seems to be taking so long, and
now I am worried about it. I sure hope you
get it.

Anderson left yesterday. I hope he likes
it were he is going. He won't know anyone
there and that's the only thing he enjoyed
about this place. We had some pretty good
times together and I hated to see him go.

I went to a mid week service last night
at a Presbyterian church, the same one I went
to last week. The people are so friendly here
that it makes me feel uncomfortable. I like
to be unnoticed.

I went in for my usual swim yesterday.
The water was very calm, we haven't had
much wind for several. It's nice today
though. It's clear and warm and a nice breeze.
I am afraid I will have to give up so much
swimming as it hurts my eyes, the salt
water and hot sun, you know. I am quite
tanned and my hair is starting to bleach.
I am feeling pretty damn good and being in the
hospital is just what I needed, the fact is I
think I am in better condition today than I
have ever been in. I think having you has
helped a lot. Don't you agree?

I haven't ever went fishing, it seems
every time we start to go somebody has
something else to do so we don't go. I don't
really care to go and wouldn't expect to catch
anything else just so I can say I went.

I have your picture on my desk were I can see it all the time, and I look at it plenty in fact its all I want to do. It gives me such a longing inside and makes me realize how much I love you and miss you. Its so much like you that I feel as though you were here.

I do hope you have the sweaters finished by spring and I hope we will be married before then, and remember once your mine I will never let you go. I love you now and always will and hope one day soon we will be joined as one to be a part of one another for the rest of our lives.

Well darling I shall close for now as have some checking I want to take care of.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

X one big one for a good night kiss.

Vsgt. [unclear] with 16160303
Towers Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida

MIAMI, FLA.
SEP 13
7:30 PM
1945



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Burg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Sept. 14, 1945

Friday

Darling,

Just a quickie tonight
 cuz I have to go learn
 how to be beautiful.

You see I am going
 to a make up party.

Hon I'm glad you
 got to see Stennette.

Dear me, but I hate
 every minute we spend
 apart. Soon maybe
 ~~thought we won't~~ ^{have to be apart.}
 ~~think so.~~

Welllllll darling I have
 to dash. So good night
 write a much longer letter
 tomorrow.

P.S. Big, Big Kisses
 All my love
 Love

Lo Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19 Mich.

DETROIT, MICH. 48
SEP 16
930PM
7945



SEPT 14

Via Air Mail

1/Sgt Lawrence Witt
16160308

Towers Hospital
Miami Beach
Florida

Sept, 14, 1945

My Darling Lois,

I am so glad you got the perfume & was wondering if it would ever get there. I hope you like it.

About my crew member he will be here the 25 of this month as he had an extension to his leave. I find out these things from the locator file. I hope I will be out of here by then, as I am getting anxious to be on my way.

I don't think I will try to stay away five years so you needn't worry in fact I am getting ready now to start on my way out of here. It will be a long time probable before I get on my way have lots of red tape and takes a little time. I shall be out of here soon anyway. I still aint sure if I will get sent to Texas or not.

Do you are having fall weather are you? I cant imagine what it would be like from down here. I guess its always summer here at least it seems that way.

I wrote Bill Greenwald a letter but he has moved from his old station and they couldnt locate him as I got the letter back.

I was real loney yesterday as I was finding out all I could about my records and what I am intitled to and who to see and everything it quite a process as every thing is so damn far from here. I had to do a lot of walking and I am still tired from it all. I didnt get to go swimming again yesterday maybe today

though. I went to the show last night and saw "Along came Jones." it was pretty good and they had a good cartoon. I want to go to Miami today to a book shop and browse around and see what I can find.

You asked if I had trouble getting any meaning out of your letters. Sometimes but the main thing I never miss and that's when you tell me how much you love me. It's something I won't get tired of hearing either, and you know how much I love you and I am doing all I can to get back to you as soon as and in the best shape as I can.

Well darling I shall close for now as I still have a good many things to take care of.

All my Love & Kisses

Lawrence

P.S. We will go to Canton as you wish and any place else you want to go first chance we get.

*Tsgt Lawrence with 10160308
Towers Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida*



*Miss Lois Davis
21269 Burg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan*

Sept 14, Saturday

My Darling Lois,

We are having a lot of excitement around here as it is brewing up a good storm. Our floor is flooded as the wind just blows rain in around the windows and they are pretty tight. I guess we will live by candle light the next few days, also K rations. The wind is howling like mad and the Ocean looks rather angry. I am afraid I won't get to church tomorrow and I was looking forward to going so much as to hear some silent speakers there.

I went to the show last night and saw a Thousand and one nights I liked it rather well. I got in early though as the weather was getting pretty bad.

I bought a couple good books yesterday and went in swimming. It's a good thing I did as it was my last chance for a few days and I need the exercise and the books will help pass the time till the storm is over.

I got three letters this morning, one from you and from Mrs Hanley and one from my mother. Mrs Hanley said she is having Mrs Postick send me a book that she liked very much, which reminds me I haven't answered Mrs Posticks last letter. I had better do so today.

I feel awful lonesome today as I had

to put your picture away on account of the storm.
I didn't want it to get blown around the
room and get spoiled. Another thing all
the news wives are around this morning
and it made me wish you could be here
with me. I miss you so awfully much.
But how could I help but miss you when
I love you so.

I saw the doctor yesterday and I am no
longer a patient but will be here for
some time waiting to ship out. Anywhere
from now till a month. I hope it is
soon. I don't know where they will send
me but I have to go to redistribution
for about two weeks before I can get
near home. I hope to be with you in at
least two months anyway. Of course I
will still be in the Army for awhile but
not to long.

Do you think my bowling score is good
that's a haff but I will show you how to
bowl and you will then be able to beat
me. I know how its supposed to be done
but I just cant do it often enough. Its a
curve ball that strikes the right side of
the King pin. It gets them every time.

Well darling there isn't much more
to tell about and so I shall close for
now I sure hope the storm dont hold up
the mail.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

Vsyt Lawrence Witt 16160308
Powers Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida

SEPT 14



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 17, Michigan

9/15/45 Sunday

My Darling Lois,

Its now 10:45 P.M. and I have been up about an hour. The worst of the storm passed last night and it looks like I might get to church yet today. We are on the sixth floor here and we bailed out around 70 gallons of water, you cant imagine what it was like down stairs. That 70 gallons was out of our room alone. The ocean has stirred up so much sand that its thick like paint. We havent had lights or water and have been eating K-rations not so good looks like I have to rough it again. Of course we werent allowed out as the wind would have blown us away so I stayed in for the first rest I have had in a long time. I also caught up a little on some letter writing to Postick and Wanley. We had expected the storm to last several days but it looks like it is over already. Its still windy but not to much and the rain has stopped. We lost some of the roof to the mess hall and thats about all the damage I have seen so far outside of all the plaster in our room being wet. Last night the wind got up to about a hundred miles an hour and our building felt like it might come apart. I guess thats all the news since I wrote yesterday. I am just waiting for my orders to come through on my shipping out of here and I hope its soon I am getting

pretty darn anxious. I had several reasons for staying as long as I have. First of all I needed the rest and I am in as good a shape as ever. Second I needed time to find out things about what is going on in the states and what to expect when I return to work. Then I had some pay coming which if I left here would take months to catch up to me, I still haven't got the pay. Then I have a medal coming through there which I hope to get before I leave here. I found out about my flying pay and they have changed all that now and I won't get it. I sent a letter to the adjutant General in regards to a discharge and am awaiting the reply. So you see I wasn't staying here because I really wanted to but for both our sakes it was better. I hope these things come through soon and I can be on my way. I expect to see you within two or three months. There is so much red tape as I would have been home long ago.

I probably won't get any mail for several days as it will be held up by the weather I hope its not too long and I hope mine gets through to you ok. I am glad your letter yesterday got through in the morning mail otherwise

I wouldnt have gotten it if it had
come in the afternoon as we were slowed
down.

Well darling I have to get ready to
go to church and so I will close for
now.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

T/sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
Towers Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Bug Rd
Detroit 19, Michigan

Sept. 15, 1945
Saturday

Darling,

Well ~~well~~ here I am at another slumber party and what a party. Let me tell you what happened. Well we all put on our Pot's and started to roast our hot dogs, just then the door bell started ringing and Pat went to the door and just about past out cuz it was her ~~pat~~ boyfriend. He just came in from Texas. And no sooner than he came in the telephone rang and Betty's mother called and said we had to go down to the station and pick

up her brother, as we had the car, at 2:30 in the morning and me wanting to go to bed early. Well I did at 4:30 in the morning. Oh well three hours is enough sleep anyhow.

How, lets get one thing straight. Please let me know when you are coming home, don't walk in like Daugh~~t~~ did. I want you all to my self not with a lot of people around. OK?

Darling, I have my fingers crossed and am hoping and praying, sure hope it does some good. Course I will marry

You as soon as you come home and we can get things planned. Hope its soon dear.

I feel real lonesome Pat and Mr. are dancing, Oh well I can dream you dancing with me but I wish it werent just in my dreams. I love you sooooo, but then you know that.

What do you mean mister by saying after we are married you will never let me go, you just better not now. I think I would just die if you ⁱⁿ ~~any~~ any way changed your mind about me. ~~in~~

They are playing "I Wish
I Knew" on the Radio - May
I have this dance?

Welllllll darling till
tomorrow;

Full my love and kisses
Paul

It's 5:00 Horsthum
Good - morning
dear. P.

to Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Michigan

Via Air Mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308

Towers Hospital

SEP 19 1945
Miami Beach
Florida



Sept. 16, 1965
Sunday.

My dearest Lawrence,

It's only only about 9:30 but I am going to bed as soon as I finish this cuz as you know I didn't get any sleep last night.

First of all I shall tell you what I did today First church, then to a show and now writing you (that's the best part of the day) Met Mrs Hanley at church and she can't understand why I am not going back to school. Guess she can't understand

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that I would rather be with
you.

They are going to play
"Till the End of Time" on
the radio, excuse me
while I listen to it. Darling
do you know the words
of it? It's how I feel about
you and I will go on
loving you till the end
of time.

All my love and kisses
Love

Lo Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.



T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
Towers Hospital
Miami Beach
Florida

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Sept 18, 1945

my Darling Lois

I have kept myself rather busy yesterday and today. My friends have all shipped out except one and his wife is coming down so I won't be seeing him. I now have more time to myself and have just finished reading a book in which I was very much interested. Three days ago you mentioned you difficulty in making yourself understood in your letters I am afraid if anyone has failed it is myself and I feel I should apologize for not taking more pains with my letters.

The last few days the water has been too stirred up for swimming but I got in for awhile today for the first time since Saturday morning. The water is very calm and it has been very clear and hot since the bad weather, even the water is warmer than usual. There was a beautiful sunrise this morning the first I have noticed as it hasn't been so clear in mornings past.

Miami is a nice place for weather visits almost always warm but there is a lack of wholesome entertainment I have run out of things to do. I have spent most of my free time going to shows and it is tiresome. I do hope to leave here soon not only because I am tired of the place but I am so anxious to be with you.

There are so many things on my mind that I can't express in a letter to talk to you about when we are together again. There are plans to make for our future which seems foremost in my concern, but more than anything I desire your presence. I miss you so awfully much. I seem all mixed up with my emotions and don't know what to say only that I love you more than I can attempt to understand. You are so much more than I have ever hoped for.

I see you are very busy by your last two letters, by the way what is a make up party? and what do you mean you have to learn to be beautiful? Beauty is something paint and hair do's have nothing to do with, it's a quality of correct proportions of physical, mental, and spiritual gifts and it can't be artificially produced. True character is much more to be desired. Beauties of the flesh are not lasting but perish with age then we must call upon our more inward qualities which is our real selves. I hope when I have nothing else to offer that my character will get me by. If we only strive for inward beauty as much as outward then there is sure to be a life of happy and contentment, and darling I think you are beautiful both inward and outward.

Men are entirely influenced by women and can either be led to good or bad, as women have all the world's possibilities of good yet the majority

of them deliberately turn this possibility to evil.
Because of this I have chosen you as one who is good
for if I choose someone who is evil I am afraid I
might also be led to be the same, and suffer the
curse of a burden of sin and hampered all the days
of my life by social hypocrisy, of which I
want no part of.

I love you for your outward beauty and for an
inward attractiveness which few possess.
I love you for many other reasons in fact I
love everything about you and feel that God
has meant us for each other. I can only hope to
be thankful enough for the joy of having your
love, and hope you feel the same way.

Well darling I haven't any news so I shall
close for now.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

Vsg Lawrence With 16160808
Fowers Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida

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Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Sept. 19, 1945

My Darling Lois,

I have received a very nice letter from you today. Say don't you live sort of a fast life? So many partys and clubs, besides getting up so early for work. How do you do it?

about letting you know when I come home. Of course I will let you know ahead of time as I feel the same as you about being together and not having a gang around. But who knows when I will get home I am sure I don't. I hope its soon though. I hope you understand I am not trying to rush you into marrying me because I want to get married when I get home, as for myself I only wish we were married and I was already home but I ain't. I only ask your approval in these matters. I am glad you want to marry me as soon as I get home though as it will be so much better for both of us. Being as I want have to go to work right away and we can spend all our time together for at least a month. So then when I get home I will see about my job right away and also look for a place were we can live and get a car. That's all so we can be settled in the shortest time. Then we can be married and we wont be apart so much of the time. You cant know how much I dreaded leaving you each night, and I am sure glad we want be apart so much in the future. I keep wishing you were here with me but as that cant

but I keep wishing I was there with you
I do hope your prayers will be answered
and we will be together soon never to be
parted. I Love you and miss you more
than I can bear.

About the matter of my saying I would
never let you go, what I wanted you to
know was the way I feel about so many
who cant make a go of it, and that I intend
to make a go of it no matter what comes
between us. I dont believe in divorce and
I will never have one. You see darling I
really do love you and want you to under-
stand that I really mean it and I wont let
anything ever change me. I know you
feel the same as I about this matter and
expressed the thought merely to let you
know our feelings are mutual. For in the
future we must have all things in common
for we shall be as one in all that we do,
so many have failed because they dont want
to be as one but are selfish and expect the
other to give up everything for themselves.
I shall never be unreasonable and
ask you to give up anything you desire
for myself. I only want you to be happy
and anything that would make you
happy I will gladly do as it would make
me happy to do it. I am sure we will
never be otherwise as long as this feeling
exist no matter what happens.

I have had the opportunity to learn many things about real happiness. For when there are no material things to amuse oneself then there is only to think of better things such as true love and how much it can really mean.

Well darling I shall have to run along for now as I have some things to take care of.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence.

Vsgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
Lawers Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Burg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Sept. 20, 1945

My Darling Lois,

I received a letter from you this morning in which you said Mrs. Hanley wondered why you weren't going back to school. Maybe it would have been better, but if things would have worked out like they were supposed to I would have been home by now. The bitter discouragement has been in the awarding of five battle stars to me. They were worth five points apiece and I had hopes of a discharge now they have decided not to count battle stars. I don't know what will come of it now. It seems everything I get comes to late and isn't worth a darn. Enough of the sad side of the story though.

Yesterday I washed clothes and sat in the sun and last night I went to the show also did some reading yesterday. Of course all this time I was doing these things I thought of you. It seems every thing I do I think in the future we will be doing it together and I spend my time thinking and preparing for the day when we will be together. It's the only thing I have that makes me so happy and only very seldom I get down in the dumps and that's when I get lonesome from waiting and wondering

How long it will be before we are together for
keeps. I don't get down in the dumps for
long though as I know you are waiting
to and that no matter how long it is nothing
will be changed except for the better. I
love you darling and nothing else
matters and there is nothing I do that I
don't think of you. I just keep hoping
and praying that it won't be much
longer. I don't know what to write I only
want to be near you and there is such a
longing for you that it keeps me confused.
I hope my letters are of some comfort to you
and that there isn't too short and that I don't
omit the things you want most to know,
as our letters are our only expressions until
we are together. I day dream a lot about our
next meeting I know it will fulfill any
dreams and then some the joy of being with
you is even more than I can dream. The
things of love seemed so foolish before because
I was calous about them but now they
seem so real and I can understand them
so much better.

What is there to say except I love you
more than I can bear? and what more is there
to desire and pray for than to be with you
again soon? With this I will close.

With all my Love & Kisses
Laurence

Vsyt Lawrence with 16160308
Towers Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Sept 21, 1945

My Darling Lois,

I wrote you this morning but since then I received two letters from and its nice and quiet here now so thought I would attempt a better letter than my last one.

Its very nice out now there is a cool breeze and the sun is nice and warm not too hot, but just right. Our room smells real fresh from all the cleaning and washing I have done we have venetian blinds and they are drawn so that its shady but cool. Can you imagine it being so nice when you have such weather at home. I guess you got over your cold as you said you went back to work, I hope your over it alright. Why whats this about taking the Jewish New Year off? I thought you was a Gentile and dont forget they dont have no Christmas but of course you must be kidding. Or didnt you really know it was new year's day.

I must have said something in one of my letters about seeing you in about two months. I must warn you not to build up your hopes as they are always changing there minds. First they give me points then they take them away. I still have hope of seeing you before too long a time but havent the slightest idea when it will be. They said I might move to San Antonio before long. They havent got my records straight in fact things are getting worse every day. I should have every thing

taken care of at the next place I go. I do hope they are better organized than this place. If the army was only as fast about the news as the newspapers is I would have been out a long time ago. Nothing is so disgusting as reading all the lies they can find to print. I am sure I don't know why people put up with it.

You never have told me much about your work except they sometimes keep you busy and that you have to go to bed early to get enough sleep and that you got a pay check once. It must be very uninteresting if that's all there is about it. I would tell you about my work but I haven't any and I am getting bored doing nothing.

I finished two books that I bought and bought another one. The last one I bought, Mrs. Hanley said she read one by the same author and was having Mrs. Kooch send me the copy to read I do hope it isn't the same one that I already have.

You had better be on the lookout for homes so when I come home you will have a good idea what you want and where to look for it. I can hardly wait till we have a place of our own. It's sure going to be lovely to be with you always instead of looking forward each day to a date not knowing

Just were to go or what to do, no more
huses back and forth but together all the
time.

By the way what did you do with thirty
people at dinner? If you can explain that
maybe we want need such a big house
after all.

I haven't been doing as much exercise
lately the weather and not much doing
anyway around here now. I just finished
lifting a hundred and ten pounds over
my head. It was a lot of work as I guess
I aint in to good a condition yet. I should
be able to do better than that. Oh well maybe
some day I will get better. I am having
trouble about smoking I started to give
it up and have to a sense but once in
awhile I get a streak and smoke over a pack
aday. I guess you can see from that
that your husband to be, is sorta weak
willed. I hope you can straighten me
out. I know you can because I love you
so.

Well darling I shall close for now as
I have said in all my other letters there
is nothing more to say when you already
know and that's how much I love you
and pray for the day to come soon that
we shall be together.

P.S. I think fresh big kisses.

P.S.S. None in return sweet and
big! goodnight.

all my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

Vogt Lawrence with 16160308
Towers Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

September 24
Monday

Darling,

I am writing you
at work again. First time
in a long time though cuz
I have been rushed every
since the war ended &
seeing as they don't have
to have priority for a
lot of things now.

Hon I dated Saturday's
letter wrong, just want
you to know that I did
write you on Saturday.

Found out the hard way
I dated all my work
wrong and had to go
all through it - this morning

and re-date it. More
fun.

I won't be getting any
mail from you tonight
as I am not going home
and it make me very
blue to think of it. I
Gloria and I are going to
a show downtown and
then spend the night over
at her grandmother's so
we won't have to go
all the way home.

Oally hon, its raining
out would I love to be
out riding in it. With you
driving of course. Do
you like to drive in the
rain? Hope so cuz I
just love to take long

drives in it cuz it make
you feel so good.

I don't think I told
you about my driving
last week. Well I drove
in the nicest ditch you
ever saw. I started laughing
and Dad got mad cuz I
thought it was so funny.
But I kept telling him
I couldn't make it and
he said I could, but I
guess he showed him.
Didn't I? Oh welllllll
any one can drive in the
streets and I like to do
things different.

So you think I lead
a fast life. Welllll I am

and nearly every evening you
wouldn't want to sit around
being bored would you. I
would be too lonesome.
The other girls fellows are away
too so we go out to keep
each other company and
we have a good time too.
But I would much rather
be out with you. Understand.
And anyhow I am going to
be home two whole nights
this week.

Wellll darling its almost
quitting time so I shall
close for tonight.

All my love & kisses
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Dia Air Mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308

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Sept 24, 1945

My Darling Lois,

I am going to be real busy today as am leaving here in a few days and am still trying to get my pay straight. I got four letters this morning to answer and the book was Postick sent. So you can see how busy I am. By the way what was Shirley Ann trying to say or can't you figure it out either, you can tell her I said hello.

I suppose you are glad to see the company go as they seem to have kept you pretty busy. You needn't apologize for your letters. I enjoyed them just the same, just to know you are thinking of me, and I know you are, at least you had better be.

I went to church yesterday morning and in the afternoon I got some runs and lifted weights then went to Miami to a show and went to evening services down there.

Do you get up before sunrise. Little wonder when it takes so long to get to work can't you find someone to ride with? It would be so much better for you. It is too bad you couldn't have gotten that job near home.

I get up pretty early when you consider I don't have anything to do all day. Except spending my time trying to find something to do and I very seldom find anything.

I told you I received four letters but

I didnt say who from, one is from Mrs. Worley
and two from my friends that were with me
down here Anderson, and Jones, Anderson went
to a hospital in Georgia but he says its a terrible
place and has asked to leave there, Jones went
to Kentucky and he has also requested a transfer
I then of course the most welcome letter was
from you. I sure look forward to them.

once I move from here I suppose I will
be kept pretty busy for a while. I dont
expect to be in Texas longer than a couple
weeks, I hope! Then maybe I will get near
home again. I dont know how I will
stand the cold weather after being down
here. I shall get by though my love will
keep me warm.

well darling thats all the news up till
now, news is very much. I can only say
again how much I love you and am in hopes
that we might be together soon. You might
find some slight changes in me when you
see me next and this readjustment I have
gone through has brought me back to
normal. You must know I was nervous
and upset most of the time I was home. I
dont think I will be so hard to get along
with from now on. I then to being away
from you like this has proven to me how
much I really love you and how much
I could miss you. I knew I loved you
and everything but now I know how

awfully much it really means.

Well darling I shall stay for now as
have to get busy.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

16160308
Towers Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida



Miss Lois Davis
21209 Bug Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Tuesday
Sept. 25, 1945

Darling,

Ran out of work for a few minutes so I thought I would start a letter to you. All right

Its raining real hard again and it looks like its going to last all day and me without a coat. Oh well just call me duck.

Hon, you cant know how much your letters mean to me. They are all going to be worn out cuz I read them so much. Its a good thing sometimes to

any I forget to answer some
of your questions. But I
do get them all answered at
some time I hope.

No darling I don't think
you are rushing me in to
marrying you. It can't be
to soon for me. But one thing
is, that its going to be hard for
you, with starting back to
work let alone having me.
You aren't use to having a
job any more, you know as
me either for that matter.
You will have to let me know
what you think. The plan sounds
wonderful to me though I
just wanted you to think it
over.

I was so lonesome last
night as I didn't get any
mail but I am staying

home tonight and I think I should have about three letters.

I forgot to tell you what I did last night. Well we went to the Fox to seeeeeeee, "State Fair" and Dr I.L. was also there. It was fun watching to see how they conduct the program. And I would have won some money too if they had ask me the questions I knew. They didnt even come near me, ^{however} I guess they were afraid of losing too much money.

Have you heard from Bowen Crover since you have been in Florida? I just thought of him and wondered if he was back in the hospital.

It's late now dear and
almost time to go home so
I shall have to stop and
see what I can do about
getting ready, and go out
and be a duck as its still
raining very hard.

Until tomorrow then

All my love and kisses
John

LO. DAVIS
21269 BERG ROAD
DETROIT 19, MICHIGAN

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Sept 27, 45

My Darling Lois,

This is most likely the last letter I will write you from Miami Beach as I am leaving for San Antonio today at 3:30 P.M. I am sorry my letters in the last few days were short but I had to take care of and I try to write the same time each day so that you will get them regular. I went Golfing again with Stollers and last night we went to a small town called Coconut Grove as he wanted to see the picture "S.I. Joe" and that was the only place it was playing. The first night he was here that was two days ago we did a little celebrating and he got pretty tight I didn't do so bad myself. He is in pretty bad shape mostly mental he feels to sorry for himself. He can't think of any reason why he should have to face the hardships of life. He almost had me feeling bad good thing I am leaving him.

We were going to play tennis today but seeing as it's raining and we both have a lot to do today I don't expect to see him. We also went in swimming yesterday for a short while.

I don't suppose I will be getting any mail from you for awhile as it will have to catch up to me. I am sure going to miss your letters. I didn't get any mail this morning but am anxious that I might hear from you yet today before I leave. I also hope they don't keep me in Texas

very long as I expect to get near Detroit from
here. I havent done much so far today and its
lunch time already. I got up and ate and cleaned
the room got a hair cut took a bath and shaved
and now I am writing you. Maybe I am just
slow about getting things done. I have all my
things packed and am ready to go. I sure hate
this waiting around. I only lack 4 days of being
here two months and I am plenty sick of this
place. I guess its because I am homesome for
you that ~~make me~~ want to be an it go from
here as I might be nearer you when I leave Icha.
My lead just broke so I had to get another pencil.

Well darling there isnt anything more to say except
how much I love you and maybe soon we will be
together. I sure hope so. Untill then.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

1st Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
Towers Hospital
Miami Beach, Florida

SEPT 27



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

September 26, 1945
Wednesday

Darling

We have summer again - its bright and sun shiny this morning. And if it had rained today the tiger would have won! Maybe they will anyhow, who knows

Do you want to know more about my ~~the~~ job wellllll there isn't much to it. After we repair engines & type up the bills for the customer with engine numbers on it and repair done. Run the bills off on the Ditto machine and send the bills off in the mail. Seeeeee now?

Say I received three letters from you last night

two of ~~which~~ ^{which} you wrote in
one day, boy your getting
good. I wish I could do
as good, but it seems like
I'm rushed all the time
but never get anything
done.

Say I like the way
you do your ironing -
does it really work all
right? It must be a
lot of trouble though
taking mattresses off and
everything.

Now I know what you
mean by being depressed
some time even if you
are happy about the
future, but I'm sure we
will be together in not
too long a time.

Left you for a few
minutes or hours I should
say - Did you miss me?

It's now late in the
day in fact its just about
time - to go home and I
am very tired. Nothing
seemed to go right today
but I still have to go
to club meeting.

No hon, I am not going
to start looking for a
house any I have my idea
and you have yours and I
think it would be better
to wait till you come home
Don't you. It would be
more fun anyhow.

Welllll darling

shall close for tonight
But till tomorrow,

All my love,
P.P.
hers

P.S.

X and extra kiss
for tonight

Lo Dams
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich

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Thursday
Sept. 27, 1945

My darling,

Just a short note tonight cuz its real late again. Went to the Cooley Redford game tonight and we won for a change. After 14th years I think we should and it was a very ^{exciting} game too. The score was 7-to 6 if you please. Do you like foot ball? I never heard you say.

After the game we all went over at Tos house (She's leaving for school tomorrow) for a little get together ~~for~~ before she left. We left sorta early cuz work you know but even at that its almost

12 now. And we also wanted
 to see some of the excitement
 in Redford. Golly there was
 plenty too. But I wanted
 to come home and be with
 you. Oh darling, I must
 have you ~~soooooo~~ and want
 you with me. It seems
 that what ever I do I
 think of you as doing it
 with me and being
 there, or here I should say.

Till tomorrow then,

All my love & kisses
 ♪
 Rose

P.S.

A special one
 for tonight
 D.

Sept. 29, 1945

Darling,

Saturday again and it's late, it's getting to be an old story, my writing you late. Mother, Gloria and went out to dinner and a show. I worked on them all week to go with me to see, "You Come ~~at~~ Along" cuz you liked it, but hob, it was sad. I like pictures to end with everyone being happy, guess that's cuz I'm so happy and want want every one else to be too. But everyone isn't as lucky as we are though

Welllllll darling as I said
its real late so I shall
close for now and will
right a longer letter
tomorrow.

All my love,
Lous

P.S.

A good night kiss
dear. D.

September 30, 1945
Sunday

Darling,

~~Just~~ came back from church and was feeling kinda lonesome so I read about twenty of your letters and I'm feeling much, much better now. Saw Tennette and she said you were looking wonderful. Are you.

You don't have to worry about having news for me dear cuz the and news I'm really interested in is how much you love me, and that I shall

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never get tired of hearing.
So don't ever forget how
to say it and I shall always
be happy.

Going to a show again this
afternoon, been going to a lot
of them lately but none
of them seem to be too
good. Guess I just don't
go with the right people.
If that has anything to do with it.
No matter what I do though.

I think of you all the time.
from the first minute I
awake till I go to sleep
again. And feel all warm inside
knowing that our love is
real and lasting.

Welllll darling its time
for dinner now so I

shall close ^{2.} now and see
whats cooking.

All my love & kisses
Love

Oct. 1, 1945

My Darling Lois,

I just arrived here and it is sure a heck of a place. I expect to be here at least a month and from here I will go wherever they want to send me so now I don't expect I will get very close to home. It seems every place I go to is worse. They haven't been doing anything for P.O.W. except try and make it harder for us. A lot of them have gone a way from here and they are investigating this place to find out why. I haven't been paid since I left home and have been out of money for some time and yet I can't get paid because of no records.

It's a lot cooler here than it was in Miami and I hope I can get some warm clothes so far all I have is summer uniforms.

I sure am lonesome for you and when I get to places like this it makes me so mad because I can't be with you. I don't care to do anything I just want to be with you. I hope something happens soon.

Well darling I have to unpack and they have a pretty full day for me so I will close now and write more later.

All my love & kisses
Lawrence

Ysgt Lawrence with 16160308
1045 B.U. Sqdn. D.
S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21209 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Michigan

Monday
October 1, 1945

My darling,

Another month beginning without you, but I'm hoping that it won't end that way.

Didn't get any mail from you. I really didn't expect any any you said you were moving but I had hoped for one.

How do you like your new camp hon? Know anyone there. Pat's boyfriend just went back and I think he is stationed at San Antonio I will have Pat give him your address ^{he is} and maybe you two could get together at some time, this really

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a swell fellow and I'm sure
you would like him.

It's been raining for the last
three days, if the rain and
the gas strike keeps up we
shall all get our morning
exercise by rowing to work.
Can't you just see me
getting up about two in
the morning to row to
work? I can't. We
have been hoping that the
fuses would run out
but darn they haven't.

Wlllllllllll darling I
shall have to close for
tonight. Mother isn't feeling
very good and I promised to

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do the dishes and then I'm
going to bed and very early.

Until tomorrow then
dear.

All my love & kisses
Lor

O. St. 1, 1945-

My Dearest Lois,

I am sorry I didn't write a longer letter this morning but I didn't have much time so will try and do better this time. I will start from my last letter in Miami Beach. I left there the afternoon of the 27th at 3:30 & had to leave the hotel to go after my shipping orders and it started to rain like the dickens at that time so I had a good start, soaked wet. After getting my orders I went and ate and got a ride to the station and found I had to wait till eight o'clock till my train left, and I had nothing to do but wait. Our first stop was Jacksonville the next morning, for two hours and we had breakfast there. Our next layover was in New Orleans and we were there a whole day as that's the way our reservations read, we went to two shows there and ate three times and washed the river for a while, (not very exciting) but we didn't know what to do without money. When I say me I mean the fellow I was traveling with as I was in charge of a shipment of two me and another guy. Well any way there are a lot of pretty girls in New Orleans, more than I have ever seen in one place before. It's a good thing I am waiting for you or I might have went with one of them. I didn't though.

we got in San Antonio early this morning
and have been busy all day. This is a terrible
camp and I expect to stay here for at least a
month because of a lot of red tape and a lack
of points from here I will go were ever they
please to send me. Of course I am very
discouraged as I wanted so much to be
near you and I thought I had a chance when
I would leave here but that is all changed
now. It seems all the things I look forward
to are taken from me. I have one consolation
which means more than anything else and
that is you darling. As long as I have
you nothing else matters, I only wish I
could be with you. Maybe something will
come up yet. I sure hope so. I also hope
the mail isn't held up as long as it usually
is on a shipment as I long to hear from you
so much. The first thing I done when I
got here was get your picture and
write to you. Darling you come before anything
else. I love you so much and I feel so
bad because I can't be with you.

well darling I havent any good news
so shall close as I dont want you to be
depressed as I am.

All my Love

Lawrence

P.S. Oceans of Love & Kisses for you from me.

1st Lt Lawrence Witt 16160308
1045 B.V. Sqdn "O"
S.M.P. A.F.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Oct. 2, 1945
Tuesday

My darling,

How are you this morning
and how did you like your
trip and etc.

Flash!!! the sun just
came out, and just when
I begin to wonder what
happened to it.

I didn't get anything done
last night that I planned
to do and its all your fault.
You see I started to clean
my room right after I wrote
you. I was going to put
away all your letters cuz
I'm getting to many for my

dresser and started to read them. Then later awake to the fact that it was twelve o'clock and I hadn't cleaned my room yet and gone to bed early as I had planned. Aren't you ashamed of your self? You should be any I enjoyed it very much, even if I didn't get any thing done.

No you probably guessed I am at work with more to do for a few minutes. One of the girls is wrapping Christmas pkgs for overseas glad I don't have to send any overseas this year. I still have an uncle and but mother

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takes care of that. And I'm
very very glad I want how
to send one over to you.

I wonder what you are
doing? Do you think you
can get everything straightened
out now? Well I hope
so and then you can
be stationed near
home. Hummm, Hurry hon.

I shall close for now as
some work just came in
will try and write again tonight
though.

Love ?

P.S.

Remind me
to tell you
how much

Lots and lots of it,
Love

I love you some time. ☺

W. O. Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich



Via Flt Mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Will 16160308

1045 B.D. Sqdn. O.

S. A. D. H. H. F. P. D. C.

San Antonio

Texas

Oct 3, 1945

My Darling Lois;

I had another busy morning as I was trying to get civilian shoes issued and I have to go back again this afternoon. I met a fellow last night who was in Miami with me and also with me overseas so we went to see show last night. The name of the picture was "Love Letters", and it was pretty good. Outside of spending each day trying to get stuff out of the government for nothing, I don't have anything else to do. One of the fellows has a radio in the barrack and they had Joe E. Brown on last night and the "Ford Show", with some pretty good music. I haven't read a newspaper since I have been here but read one story in Colliers. Have a hard time trying to pass the time. I understand the Navy is discharging all there P.W.s maybe the Army will decide to do the same, I hope!

I went over to the mail room but no luck. I had hoped maybe some mail might have been forwarded from Miami. It's been some time since I have been there so maybe this afternoon or tomorrow I will get some mail. I miss your letters more than anything else.

I won't be doing anything until Saturday morning and then I will receive instructions on what I will be doing while I am here. I probably won't know any more than I do now.

I can only wait and hope to be with you before long and yet I am afraid it might be a

longer time than I had expected. Of course you
know & hate to keep me waiting like this, but I
don't seem to have anything to say in the matter.
Damn'd army anyhow!

Well darling there isn't much else to say.
I love you and am very very homesick for
you.

All My Love & Kisses
Lawrence

1st Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160302
1045 B.V. Sqdn "O"
S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Thursday
Oct. 4, 1945

My Darling,

Received another letter from you today dear and it made me very happy and feel much better. I'm so glad you miss me, I miss you so and I'm sure you will be home soon. Just tell them you wish to do away with the red tape.

Say Hon, you will have to tell me what all the letters mean in your address so I can't seem to figure them out.

Hon, Aunt Helen is feeling sorry for you. She was shopping and saw some baking dishes and bought

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come for me to be practicing
on, she doesn't want me
to make you sick. Soooooo
you will have to tell me
what dishes you like so I
can learn how to make
it or them ok? Don't forget.

Welllllll dading its getting
late and I want to get
some sleep so that I can
go to work tomorrow.

All my love and kisses
Jois

P.S. a big kiss
for tonight. D.

P.P.S. I love you
very much. D.

to David
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich



Via ^{air} ~~air~~ Mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308

1045 B.U. Sqdn "O"

S.M.D. H.A.F. P.D.C.

San Antonio

Texas

Wednesday
Oct 3, 1945

My darling,

It was so good to hear from you again this morning. It had only been three days since I heard but it seemed like years dear.

So there are a lot of pretty girls in New Orleans, well its a good thing you only stayed there one day. I wouldn't want to lose you.

I'm sorry your camp isn't very nice dear. I hope you can be moved soon, but you didn't seem to hopefull

I'm sorry darling but I shall have to close for tonight because I am not feeling to good. Have another

-3-
Cold so I am going to bed
early.

Will right a longer
letter tomorrow

All my love & kisses
J
Jas

to Dams
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.

Via Air Mail

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1945



T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
1045 B.M. Sqdn "O"
S.A.D. H.A.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio
Texas

Oct. 4, 1945

My Darling Lois,

again I am being disappointed as I am having no mail from you again today. I do wish they would hurry my mail up from Miami. I miss your letters so much and it's hard to carry on a one way conversation when I do so little to write about. I got some more clothes & guess I shall be well dressed by the time I get a discharge. I met a lot of fellows I know in Germany here and several from the room I was in. I expect to go to the show with a couple of them tonight. Most of the time I spend listening to the radio in our barrack, you see they have it so high that one can't help but listen to it in fact I have a hard time trying to read or write an account of it. I heard the ball game yesterday and the game today is just starting. I hope Detroit does better today than yesterday.

See darling I haven't anything to write about. I only miss you all the time and I am always thinking of you. I can't do anything but hope and wait until we are together. I can't tell you much about the past as you already know anything I could tell you and I can't even think about the future until it happens as things are so uncertain. I can only say the only future I do plan and that's spending it with you and, wishing it will be soon and hope I can always make you happy. All other things are immaterial. What more can I say when that I love you, Oh so much!!

and the longing for you is all that I live by.
Don't worry about being a good wife. I know
you will do your best which is more than
enough and I will do mine. I only hope it
will be enough.

Well darling I shall close now so I can
get this in the mail.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

1st Lt Lawrence Witt 1616030P
1045 B.U. Sqdn "O"
S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Rug Rd
Detroit 19, Michigan

Oct 6, 1945

My Darling Lois,

I wrote you a letter yesterday but lost it maybe somebody mailed it though as it was ready for mailing, had a stamp and all. I received a letter from my mother yesterday so my mail should start coming through, I hope!

I moved the day before yesterday and now have a room with a fellow I was in Germany with. I have some news a lot of news it seems every time I write I have one to tell you about. There are six guys from my same room in P.O. camp that are here. Anyhow this fellow I am with now wanted me to go to town with him as his friend has a car and was going in. There isn't a damn thing in the town we ended up by buying some milk for his car and came back in. I had a V.S.P. show it was corny and after it was over I came back to bed.

Yesterday morning I got the government to issue me officer's shoes and from now on they will be the kind I will wear until I get out of the army. It also saves me the expense of buying my own dress shoes. I had to go through a lot of red tape to get them but it was worth it.

It's early in the morning now about seven thirty and I have just finished cleaning up the room. Very few people are up around here yet as we don't have to get up if we don't want to. In fact we don't have to do anything. I lost the steam to my watch so can't wind

it so have no way to tell the time not that
it matters as all I do by the watch is eat and
don't really need it to know show time
you know me.

It has been raining again here and its cool
this morning I took a walk after breakfast
and it made me feel pretty good guess I will
have to make it a habit.

I wish I could make a habit of being
with you starting now. I miss you all the
time I can't think much of anything else. If
I only knew how long its going to be. Damn
uncertainty! It sure gets me down. It will take
a lot to part us once I get back to you I know
that for sure.

This not getting any mail is hard to
take to but I expect yesterday starts it coming
in and I should hear from you today. I am
sure looking forward to it. I would like to
get the mail that is forwarded from Miami it
shouldnt take this long to get to me. To
many slackers in the mail department.

Well darling I am out of things to say.
So had better close till next time.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

P.S. I Love you very very much!!!

Vsyt Lawrence C. # 16160334
1046 B.O. Sq. dr "O"
S.A.P. A.M.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texa

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS
OCT 6
1 30 PM
1945



Miss Lois Davis
21209 Burg Rd
Detroit 19, Michigan

Saturday
Oct. 6, 1945

My darling,

Received a very welcome letter from you this morning and I'm sorry you are feeling so lonesome. But then again I love you missing me so much.

If you expect to be stationed near home by hunting season you better hurry dear, it's just a little over a week away. I'm only kidding, but I wish it weren't just kidding. But soon you will be home I'm sure of that and it can't be too soon for me.

Welllllllllll darling I can't think of any more to say but I love you very

very, very much and can't
wait till you are home for
good even for a few hours
would be wonderful.

Full my love & kisses
D
Dad

to Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich

Via Air Mail

DETROIT, MICH. 74
OCT 8
3:30 PM
1945



T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308

1045 BU Sqdn "O"

S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.O.

San Antonio
Texas

Oct 7, 1945

My Darling Lois,

as usual there isn't much to write about. It's pretty nice here now though as far as the weather goes as it's been cooler the last few days. I went swimming a little while yesterday and went to the show and seen "Duffy's Tavern," I liked it very much.

all I am doing is waiting around until they get ready to process me and send me out. So life is very uneventful. I am afraid if it last much longer I will go to the dogs completely. I am not so far from it now, this life has finally got me down.

I wish so much we were together because when I am with you I never get feeling like this. It's because I miss you so that I can't stand this not doing anything. I wonder if the government is trying to punish me for not flying more missions. If they're not trying to punish me I wonder what it would be like if they did. This is bad enough for me anyway.

I love you so much darling and I want to be with you and nothing else matters. The thing about it is they keep us apart, little wonder I feel punished. I only look forward and hope it won't be long and all will be joy for the both of us. It's always darkest before the dawn so this must going to be a glorious morning as it's been pretty dark being away from you. It seems like ages since we have been together and it has been two months about twenty days. I can remember everything as it was when we were together and it will be even better next time. I hope it's soon.

Well darling I am running out of things to
say so shall close for now in hopes of hearing
from you soon.

All my Love + Kisses
Lawrence

1st Lt Lawrence with 16160308
1045 B.U. Sqdn "O"
S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 13, Michigan

Sunday
Oct. 7, 1945

Darling,

Just came back from church and was it crowded for a change up stairs was even filled. Say the army must be relieved of the services of Bill as he hasn't been wearing a uniform at church for the past two Sundays.

Do you remember Tim Anderson? He was at church this morning. And there were two other fellows home on leave that I had seen at church before but I can't remember their names.

Dad went to a field trial this morning and Joyce and Jean have gone out sooooo Mother and I are going

to a show after I finish writing
you. You come first you see.
Oh yes, mister I forget
to tell you something yester-
day. You said you felt
bad about making me
wait for you. I want you
to understand that if I didn't
want to wait for you I
didn't have too nothing made
me dear, except me just
wanting too. I don't want
to go out with anyone but
you and don't you forget
that. And no matter how
long you away I'll never
change, I love you too much.

Until tomorrow then

All my love and kisses

Lois

P.S. An extra
special one for
tonight. P.

Lo Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.

via Air mail

DETROIT, MICH. 74
OCT 8
3:30 PM
1945



T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
1075 B.U. Sqdn "O"
SAD. A.F.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texas

Oct. 8, 1945

My Darling Lois,

Today being Monday and wash day meant I was pretty lousy. After show I read a bit and did my washing and just finished taking a shower. Yesterday I got up late and didn't do a thing all day outside of visiting a few friends on the boat. It's still soot here and it looks like rain I hope it doesn't as my clothes are hung outside.

~~as per usual. I hate one of the bad features of this place~~
as per usual. I hate one of the bad features of this place not knowing what's going on.

One of the guys is relating the story of last night's experiences and he gets on my nerves, I wish he would shut up.

See darling I miss you so much but I always tell you that. Also I love you very very much! I always tell you that too but there isn't anything else on my mind so what else can I say? This being apart has of course taught me just how much I could miss someone especially as I have never been homesick before. My only wish is to be with you and nothing else concerns me. It's going to be wonderful when we are together again. In one of your letters you said if I should change my mind about you, which I never will, what it would make you mad. I don't think I would get mad if you find you didn't really love me but it would be the greatest disappointment I have ever had to face and am afraid it would make me unhappy more than anything

etc. I will do all I can to prevent you from changing
your mind about me and hope I shall never give
you any occasion to reject me. I want to be a
part of you always living for you and to make
you happy. My love is strong enough for you
that I know I can not fail. True love never
fails to bring happiness although its progress is
slowed for lack of understanding as its such a
great force that it controls over every being and
some try to master it, and I feel it isn't right to
try. It's better to accept it for what it is and live
accordingly and that's what I intend to do, to
live for your love unquestioningly without
foolish doubts and suspicions.

Well darling as usual I am running out
of things to say so shall close in hopes of hearing
from you soon.

All my Love & kisses
Lawrence.

459 Lawrence with 16160308
1045 B.V. Azdu "O"
S.A.D. H.A.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Monday
Oct. 8, 1945

My darling,

Received a letter from you today and three of mine back so I can understand why you haven't been getting any. I can't understand why they couldn't look up your number and give them to you. You just tell them what I think of them.

Jay you must be rather busy doing nothing. If you think of anything you would like to read or anything you would like me to send you just say so. I would like to send you things but I never know what to send

not know how much room
you have or anything. Will
you tell me dear.

So you lost one of my
letters of the very idea. So
that's what you think of the
letters you write me. ^{lets}
be a little more careful
now. I might cry all
night if didn't get a letter
from you - Would you mind.

Goodness I'm in a very
silly mood tonight maybe
it's a good thing you aren't
here as you could never
keep me quite. It's raining
out too and would I love
to go for a walk in it
providing you were along

and we stopped under every tree.

I'm glad you know some fellows there. Now, it will be more interesting for you.

It's getting late dear so I shall close for tonight.

All my love & kisses
P.

P.S. I love you very, very much
P.

Lo Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.

DETROIT, MICH.
OCT 9
4-PM
1945



Via ^{Fl^u} Mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308

1045 BU Sqdn "O"

S.A.D. F.A.F. P.D.C.

San Antonio
Texas

Oct 8-1945

My Darling Lois,

It is about 8:30 P.M. and I have been alone with you all evening, that is alone with your picture and it brings you so close to me also read through all your letters. Its almost like being with you. I want to be satisfied until I am actually with you never to be parted again. I noticed in reading your letters through that I havent been very specific in details about different subject so thought I would try and enlarge on some of the things you have asked about to let you know more about the subjects. First of all I will try and tell you more about the hospitals in Miami.

You said the post card reminded you of resorts in the movies and thats just what it is. The army took over five of the leading hotels for convalescence hospitals. The Ponce de Leon is one of the older ones and is in the best part of town. I have told you the rooms are expensive and run over a hundred dollars a day during season. They had wonderful equipment and an extensive lab. and if they couldnt find anything wrong with me then they just sent anything wrong. The Ponce de Leon is used more for general admittance and after diagnosis they send the patients to one of the other four hospitals according to

what they will be treated for. The Towers is for out patients and is used for a rest place for nervous cases. I have already told you about the school system they had and the recreational facilities. The food was regular hospital rations and consist of a lot of vegetables. It was good food but not as good as in redist. rations as they had more to eat and more desserts. I also had my personal physician in both hospitals. The other hospitals are the Hotel Wentzler, Baltimore, & Surf Side all these places are famous for entertaining well known celebrities. Such as "Bill Rogers", "Wiley Post" various Presidents, and movie stars and famous people to mention a few. So you can see I was well provided for.

The weather in Miami was fairly constant until just before I left as the rainy season had started then and I had a swell tan now this place is much cooler the greater part of the day although it gets hot in the afternoon. I am losing my tan but still get to swim now and then. I was in a short while today.

I met a fellow I went through gunnery school with (at Las Vegas in case you forgot) and he was in the same camp in Germany. His name is Stetzel and we were swimming together both times I went since I have

been here. We sang a duet with another fellow
of course for our program last Christmas. I was
sure glad to run across him again.

I have played a couple games of pool and
went to shows since I have been here the rest
of my time is spent reading and writing and
doing nothing. Of course I spend all my
time thinking of you.

About the letters in my address I don't
know much about them myself. S.A.P.
is San Antonio Dist. A.A.F. Army Air Force,
P.D.C. Personal Dist. Command. B.U. is
Basic Unit. This place is part of Kelly field
which of course is a cadet school. I am free
to do pretty much as I please and can
come and go when I feel like it. The only
trouble there is no place to go except San
Antonio and its too much bother and is
always crowded is about fourteen miles
from here. There is a lot to see there if anyone
is interested in the history of Texas but I
aint.

As far as things to do I don't really as
long as you love me as that all that matters
and I am completely satisfied to just be
alone and think about you and how much
I have to be thankful for and to live for
you all that makes my life worth while.
As long as I have your love I shall never
be unhappy. The only thing is I get
disappointed because we can't be together.

Have you been out with Sara since Otto left
you said you probable would? Also have
you had a chance to talk to Jeanette Bonds
about her trip and her visit to me? I guess she
just missed the storm we had by one day.
Have you played any tennis since I left? I
guess you only went swimming a couple
times to beat the weather was so cold this
year I heard the ball game today the sixth of
the world series and they said it was misty
and cold it reminded me of fall weather at
home although there is no sign of it here.
How are your driving lessons coming along?
You should have a license by now you
will have to do the driving when I get
home as I haven't any license.

About plans such as a house and such,
I haven't the slightest idea whether to build
one own or buy one already built. I think
we can find something you like and buy
it. Of course we might have to wait awhile
till there are more vacant and there isn't
such a shortage. So we might have to wait
a short while. I can't make many plans
as things are in an upset at present and
we will figure as time goes by.

Well darling I guess that covers most
of the things I hadn't covered before. I only
wish I could live the night of our engage-
ment over again it was so wonderful.
I miss holding you in my arms and loving
and kissing you. I think of you all the

time and of the wonderful times we had together. I also love to think of how we came to be engaged and you thinking you would never love someone enough to marry and I had felt the same way. Until I fell in love with you. All the time I was away since my first furlough I had thought I loved you and hoped you wouldn't find someone else before I came back. You now possess my heart soul and mind and I am so happy that you do, and that you love me. We shall dance again as we danced before and be together as we were before only it won't be for such a short time but for ever. I long for that day so much, and I know you do. Lucky me! Well darling I shall close for now.

All my Love for You
& Kisses
Lawrence

P.S. Don't worry about working or anything else as I am patient all I want is your love, and that I have so what more could I ask darling?

Postmark with 16160301
1045 B.U. Sqdn "O"
S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texas



Air Mail

Miss Lois Davis
21209 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Tuesday
Oct. 9, 1945

My darling,

Wonder how you are this evening didn't get any mail from you. Say hon, why don't you let the army in on a little ~~secret~~ secret as to where you are. Got four of my letters back again today. Dean has been kidding me too saying that you just didn't want them so you sent them back. Look like they would know where they sent you from Florida but all four of them were sent on to Texas then back to me. Can't understand it. I'm sending them back how ever so you will know I wrote you.

Going over to Della & Herbo
this evening as they are
leaving for Florida in the
morning. Darn, why didn't
they go while you were
down there. Oh, well they
didn't so why worry over it

Welllllll my darling
until later I love you
very much and miss
you more than I can say.

All my love & kisses
D
Ray

Lo Dams
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich



Via Air Mail

T/ Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308

1045 B.U. Sqdn "0"

S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.

San Antonio
Texas

Oct. 9, 1945

My Darling Lois,

Its been a very dreary day here as it rained all day. I didnt mind it though as I like to walk in the rain. Remember the night we walked in the rain from Redford? More darn fun. I miss all those little things and there are so many little things that remind me of evenings we had together.

I got a Metals & Alloy magazine today but havent gotten around to read it yet as the fellows have been in the room all day and I cant concentrate enough. We are all witting now so its more peaceful than usual.

Your family sure worries about the possibility of you poisoning me with your cooking dont they? I think I will survive I am sure I have eaten worse, (mainly my own). Tell your aunt Helen I am sorry to hear she seems worried about your cooking and that I am thankful she bought the baking dishes for you to practice with. I am sure it wont take you long to learn. Dont worry about what kind of food I like as I eat almost anything you will learn as time goes by.

I wonder how Bill Greenwald got out of the Army he couldnt have enough points. Oh well some people have the luck I wish I could find a way out I sure try but my hands are tied. I wrote a letter to the governor maybe it will bring some results, so far I have wrote the Adjutant General, my congressman and the governor. Everybody else I know is doing the same thing. There are also a lot of A.W.O. Lo. because of the deal we have been getting I would do the same if I were nearer home and I hope

I can get near home soon. Of course you should already know that. I have told you so many times. Also your the reason I want to be home.

I still havent got any mail forwarded from miami. Maybe Bill has wrote me there and I will know how he got out maybe I could do the same. I still havent heard from Tony. Guess he forgot to write.

No I dont remember Jim Anderson I suppose I would know him if I seen him though, the same as Jeannette Bonds. I wish I was back there on Sundays we could go to church together but you always came so late and I didnt have a car to pick you up with. I used to wait for you when I was home you know, but I would get tired of standing out front before church started because of so many curious people around.

So your Dad and two sisters went to a field trial. I wish I could get out and do something like that. I really dont expect to have a chance to hunt this year but I hope I can go ice skating or skiing or some winter sports anyway. Of course I wouldnt want to do them without you because whenever I go out for a good time I always feel I wish you could be with me that we could share our good times together. Thats part of Love to care anything which is a part of Love affects me cause I am very deeply in love with you.

About my not liking to keep you waiting I ment that both ways as I dont like waiting

either because I am so anxious to be with you. I dont have any desire to be with anyone else and I know you feel the same way and. Knowing how anxious I am and that you feel the same way is the reason I dont like being away from you. As far as I am concerned no matter how long it will be I will never want anyone else and I am content with my thoughts of you to pass the time. But I love you so much and miss you so that I get all mixed up and all I can think of is being with you. So now you know why I hate to keep you waiting and I hope you didnt misunderstand me.

Well Darling the usual noise has started around here again so I had better close. Before I close I want to tell you I Love you more than I can say.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

P.S. I Love each
Kiss in the close
of your letters and
here is one for you.
X a special one

1st Sgt Lawrence W. # 1646308
1045 B.U. Spdu "O"
S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21209 Bug Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Oct 10, 1945

My Beloved Lois,

The tenth of another month has come around and its our third month of being engaged. I want to tell you how much it means to me to know one day we shall be married but it means so much I dont know were to begin, all I can say is it means everything. I love you now as I loved you then and always will love you and nothing can ever change that. I look forward so much to being with you to hold you again, it will be so wonderful when I can be with you to stay. It was very difficult for me before knowing I had to leave you so soon. Next time it will be so much better and we will both be happier than before. It seems so long ago since we were together and yet I remember you just as you were the night we were engaged. I can remember the things you say and do and yet it seems those things happened long ago. I guess it seems so long because I long for you so. All I seem to want to say is I love you with all my heart and want you always. All I can think of is my love for you and how wonderful that you love me.

I can remember the night we went out with Sara & Otto and I wasnt very nice to you, Remember? Its just one of my traits and of course it didnt mean anything. I got that way thinking about having to go back to camp and I didnt want to leave you and it made me frustrated. I didnt really want to be mean especially to you.

Remember the girl Harry took out when we went to

Eastwood,? What a character she was. I sure miss that
place and dancing with you. I never cared for dancing
much but when I am with you I like dancing in
fact I like everything as long as we are together. There
are so many little things that make love so great.
The big things seem to become unimportant and the
little things seem so easy to remember. I havent forgot
big or little thing about what we did and I treasure
each memory of you as its all we have now until
we are back together.

The weather here is funny it rains and gets
cold then stops and gets hot. One never knows
whether to take a raincoat any place or not although
its a safe thing to do.

I havent done anything since I last wrote its
been rainy all day yesterday and today up till
about an hour ago. I did some reading and just
spent the rest of my time thinking of you. That
what I like to do more than anything else is to
just dream of you. That all I do even if I am
doing something else at the same time.

I didnt receive any mail from you today and
its always a disappointment. I shouldnt be though
as received four letters from you in the last two
days. I still havent got any mail from Miami also
I havent wrote anyone but you and my mother since
I left here. I keep putting it off because I expect to
get a lot of letters to answer from there.

I have been doing some planning and as yet
havent accomplished much. The only thing so
far is finding a place to live after we are married
until we can get settled. Outside of that there
isnt much to plan. When I get home I will first
see about my job. Then when I find what

wages I will receive we can make a budget and figure what means we have to live on, then we can decide what kind of a house to buy and so forth. The first thing, as soon as I can get a good car I am going to buy one so we can have much more of our time together. From now on all that matters is the time I can spend with you.

I would like to leave you decide on the honeymoon with me. We will have time to think it over before we are married as we could decide on that early enough. Of course so many things depend on what time of the year I get home and the situation on housing and the like. I do know that everything will turn out alright regardless of plans and we are bound to be happy as long as we have each other and nothing else really matters.

Well darling I guess I am running out of things to say again so will close till next time.

An Ocean of Love & Kisses
Lawrence

P.S. A very big Kiss!

1552 Lawrence Witt 16/60302
1095 B.V. Sqdn "O"
S.M.D. M.P.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texas

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS
OCT 11
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1945



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Burg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Thursday
Oct. 11, 1945

My darling
You don't know how happy
I was last night and all day today
for that matter cuz I received
three letters from you last night.
Darling I love you so, I think of you
all the time. Wonder what I had
to think about before you? Think
of all the time I wasted thinking about
other things.

Today has been one of those beautiful
fall days that make you feel so
wonderful. Like walking for miles
and miles. Only wish you were
here to walk with me. Didn't get
any mail from you - thought, think I
shall write my congressman
about mail service. Agree?

No Hon, I haven't seen Sara
since you left. She went down
to Va. with him for his last treatment
and then on to his new station
and I haven't heard from her
since she left Va.

They are playing till the "End of
Time" on the Radio. Excuse
me while I dream. ~~at~~ Do you
like the song? I do.

Honey I haven't been driving since I went in the ditch if you had better get your license renewed or we will have to ride the D.S.R.

Don't think I haven't ~~lived~~ lived over the wonderfield times we had together a million times. When ever I get lonely it helps so much. Feel all good again.

Will ~~love~~ my dear I shall love for now

With all my love
and kisses,
Love

P.S. A Big kiss
till you come then
lots and lots more.
D.

to Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.



Via ~~air~~ mail



T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308

S.A.D. H.A.F. P.D.C.

San Antonio,
Texas

Oct 10, 1945
Wednesday

My darling,

Thought I would take some time off just before lunch to write. It's a very beautiful day here in good old Detroit. And it's surely not the kind of a day to be working.

I am going to be very busy tonight as it's Dad's birthday and then there's club meeting too. So I won't be able to write later. Oh, golly I hope I get some mail from you tonight. I feel so lonely if I don't receive any. So I know how you feel not receiving

any of mine. I hope they
start coming through soon
dear.

Ran out of ink as you
can see. Hope you will
excuse me.


Say hon, I forgot to tell you
they are starting a new
Sunday school class for
all those over 19th and
also a new young people
I think I shall go if it isn't
like the ones they have started
before. The only way to find
out is to go I guess.

Hummmmm today we
have been engaged all
of four months, time
flies doesn't it? I don't know

though, seem³ like ages I can't
remember not loving you.

Welllllll my darling till
tomorrow I shall close

With All my love & kisses
Love

P.S. An extra
special one for
tonight. 

Lo Dams
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.



Via air mail

T/Sgt Lawrence
1045 B.U. Sgt
S.A.D. HA
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Oct. 10th. 1945.

Mrs. Hanley Speaks.

October cold and frosts have killed vegetation and, at the same time, have put me on the shelf for a while. The old back and hip are aching like the proverbial toothache and I feel old age creeping on by jumps. Anyway, I can still press a typewriter key and my eyes are behaving so the cold weather won't stop your letter. Gus asked me to keep it coming and who am I to disobey a military order? Gus Siegmund may get home soon. His brother, Bob, has moved to Fort Dix N. J. This bit of news I first read in the "Redford Twnsp. News", which is an anti-Russian, race prejudiced weekly but which, to its credit, does contain a wealth of personal news. Now to get on with my chatter!

Francis and Dick Fuller were honorably ^{discharged} on Oct. 1st. They have not yet decided whether to take the four years of training to which both are entitled. James Bachman has been a sergeant for some time. He is still impatiently swatting insects and sweltering in the heat of Panama. Dick Bronson sent me a letter together with one which shouldn't have been delivered here but rather to one, Vada Stephenson. How these two epistles clung together from somewhere in the Pacific to our door yet remains a mystery. Anyway, we had a nice visit from Vada as a result. The pleasure was all ours. Vada and H. Benson get along famously discussing grand opera, symphonics, ballet etc. For once Mrs. Hanley just listens believe it or not! Oscar Cook expects to get home for Xmas. His brother-in-law, Loretta's husband, Bill Ellis, who is a staff sgt., may come home at that time also. The loss of Norman may never be completely compensated but let us hope that this part of the Cook reunion will help to bury that sorrow. Walter Falconer, Bill Gruenwald and others on leave at this time had the time extended 15 days. Bill goes to Cal. from here. He looks fine. We look for Lawrence Witt back for keeps any day now. He has been released as a patient from the Florida hospital. I even hear wedding bells ringing in the not too distant future. Bob Dixon may be moving from Manhattan before this letter is mailed as he phoned his dad to that effect last week. Herb Fuller is one of very few men left at Camp Lejeune, N. C. Russel Fuller has just returned from Iceland - a trip bringing troops back. Don't fail to ask Lawrence Gelo why he fell from his hammock to the deck. He wrote that one never knows how hard the deck really is until he falls from a height of 4 feet. Owen Hamilton and Walter Lloyd are together at Camp Robinson, Ark. They ran into each other at a Baptist Center for soldiers out there. Dick Hill, still in Manila, expects to be home for Easter. John Hocking has finished his type course and is taking telotype. One of his letters to his folks came to the Hanley door, which bears the same number as the Hocking's. Corp. Phyllis Makey is moving to a field close to Houston, Texas, so she got her wish. Hal Meixner is in Batangas, Luzon. He is taking a course in Auto Mechanics, Physics and Trig. He was stabbed in the back accidentally when some men were throwing knives as he walked by unknowingly. Hal Sinclair had a touch of malaria down in Miss. but is O. K. now according to last report.

Many good stage productions, fine music and lectures are visiting Detroit this season. We have tickets for the theatre guild and I hope my lameness doesn't hang on for "Foolish Notion" arrives next week. H. Benson started his 5 day week last week and I can tell you it made us mighty happy - or should I say "me" for he bottled some tomato juice for me on his first free Sat. We didn't get to church on Sunday, but we heard a fine sermon by Dr. Sockman on the air. We had planned to attend the "Church of all Peoples" but my 'rheumatiz' changed that.

Maybe we will be seeing many of you by Christmas time. In the meantime, write when you can.

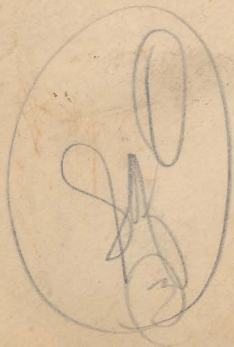
Most sincerely,
Marguerite H. Hanley
Marguerite H. Hanley,

Dear Lawrence - Hope you enjoyed the book. If you can, please return it to Mrs. Brattick when you finish with it. I am asking Sam not sure when you are. M. Hanley.

AFTER 5 DAYS, RETURN TO

MRS. H. BENSON HANLEY
19935 FIVE POINT RD.
DETROIT, MICHIGAN

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T/Sgt. Lawrence Witt 161 60308
1045 B.U. Sqdn. "0"
S.A.D. H.A.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio
Texas

Oct, 12, 1945

My Darling Lois,

Well hon, its been another busy day & get some more clothes today and I had to spend a lot of time altering them. I then I got your letters you sent which had been returned. I think one of these days I will go over and give them a piece of my mind. This afternoon I am going to see the flight surgeon about getting out of the army of course if it does any good it will still be a long time I will keep you posted on it.

So Herb went to Florida, Did he wait till I left on purpose? I wish I could have seen them there but I wasnt getting any place so I left there. I feel ready to leave here first chance I get.

And Redford won a game with Cooley. Well surprises never cease. It must have been very interesting & sure wish I could have really been with you instead of just in your thoughts, yes I like football okay and I used to play a lot but that was a long time ago. I like all kinds of sports but I dont usually care to be a spectator. Detroit was the series to not bad, must really see a lot of excitement there.

I saw Norm Phillips yesterday his mother is here also. They are living in town. I guess you remembers him we met him at Eastwood the night we had such a hard time getting home. He is sorta tall and blond curly headed. He asked about you. of course I told him of my good fortune that we are engaged and in hopes of being married soon as possible. He agrees with me that I am very lucky. all the fellows that see your picture wonder why

it should happen to such a nice girl, (I mean
marrying me). I am glad you don't feel that way.

I know how you feel about wanting to be with
me as I feel the same about you. Even if it were just
long enough to hold you and kiss you darling. I love
you so much and its hard being away from you. We
will be together one of these days and this being apart
will be something of the past. I have been thinking
so much about being with you it all I do and I
am very lonesome. I have been thinking maybe
we could rent a furnished apt. when we are
married for awhile until the housing situation is
better and furniture will be easier to get.

Well darling I shall close for now with a
very extra special kiss for you.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

P.S. I love you very much !!!
X X X X

1st Sgt Lawrence with 16160308
1045 B.U. Sqdn 'O'
SAD AAF PDC
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Bug Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Oct 11, 1945

My Darling Lois,

I am feeling better today as I received a letter from you this morning. I didnt get any yesterday and usually I dont get any till in the afternoon. The weather has cleared up after a very cold night and its real nice out today.

Do you get any letters back that you sent just like the army. They think because the war is over that nothing matters. They have a locator file and are expused to look me up and not send the mail back. I wish you would send the letters on anyway as I look forward to each days letter.

I think I will go into town for a while today and take in a show. I have only been in once since I have been here and didnt do anything except see Duffy's Tavern, which was very good. I was suprised to see such fine theaters down the one I went to compared to the Fox in Detroit and then some. Usually the theaters in the south arent much to talk about.

Its nice of you to want to send me things but I have everything I want. We always have a mess of magazines to read and also plenty of books. I dont do much mainly because I dont want to. Besides I have you and nothing else matters. I love you so much that I just want to be with you. I spend my time thinking about you and that is more than enough for me. I only want to be with you and that what keeps me from reading and stuff so much because I cant keep my mind on anything. I met you. If you want to send me something you will have to send yourself because thats all I want.

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Do you think I don't think much of the letters I write to you because I lost one. I do think a lot of them that is if you do and I usually mail them as soon as I write them. It just happened they were running me around so much that day that I forgot I had it with me and I lost it. As far as you crying all night because I didn't write you. That's something I would have to see! I think you would be more apt to just get mad.

You say your in a very silly mood in your letter. I wonder what your like when your in such a mood, as I never seen you that way. Do you drink something to get that way?

Well honey I cant think of much to say today so will close for now with a big kiss and in hopes of being with you soon.

Lovingly Yours
Lawrence

P.S. Another Kiss

1045
S.A.D. N.Y. P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texas

ANTONIO, TEXAS
OCT 14
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1945



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Friday
Oct. 12, 1945

My darling,

It's late in the evening now I wanted to wait till everyone was in bed before I wrote you so I could be alone with you.

It's funny darling, how we think alike, you thinking of our walking home in the rain and me writing you the same day about the same evening. Shows we are both thinking of the wonderful times we had together. I'm sure we will have more fun when you come home though.

Hon, Mrs Hanley wrote me a little note today and enclosed a letter for ~~me~~ you as she didn't have your address since you left Florida. Just thought I would tell you

so you wouldn't be wondering
why I addressed Mrs Hanley's
letter for you. Understand.

Your not much help in
telling me what you like to
eat. How am I going to learn
how to cook them if you don't
tell me what you like. Now
come on mister give out with
a list.

I hope you finally received
all the letters I sent to Florida.
I still can't understand why
they didn't know in Florida
where they sent you.

Welllllll darling I shall
close for tonight cuz I am
terribly tired. Been typing
numbers all day - more
fun. Oh lad I only have
to do a trial Balance once
a month. It would drive
me nuts to do them all the

time. You don't need to say in
nuts already either cuz I'm not
just ask me any time and
I will tell you the same.

Till later then dear I
love you very much.

All my love & kisses
Love

P.S. X A good night
Russ darling.
D.

Lo Dams
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.



Via ^{Airmail} #

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160300
1045 B.D. Sqdn. "O"

S.H.D. H.A.F. P.D.

San Antonio
Texas

Oct. 13, 1945

My Darling Lois

All honey things are looking up now, that is if something goes through alright. I told you I was going to see the flight surgeon, well I did. Also in five days I will be awarded with five more points. That will give me a total of 61 and they will be lowered to 60 in the near future so maybe I will get out of this army in a couple months time. This is all to do with a line I handed the doctor.

I got paid fifty dollars this morning. I was sure surprised as I wasn't supposed to get paid till I went through processing. They still owe me a lot of money but I expect it will be straightened out.

I raised some about them sending my mail back and got it straightened out now.

I haven't received any mail from you yet today but maybe I will get some this afternoon. I sure hope so because tomorrow is Sunday and no mail. I don't feel good till I get your letter each day and so Sundays I am usually in a bad mood. Something should be done about it maybe be I should just come home to you. I wish I could.

They have started processing here you know they have been way behind so they stopped to reconvert. So maybe I will get processed this month some time and get my records straight then I will be ready for separation. At least now I can look forward to being out of the army this year unless something turns up to change things as it usually does. Things can't be like that all the time though.

There doesnt seem to be much to write about except how
much I love you and I wouldnt know were to begin.
I am just so lonesome without you that I am
all mixed up inside. I only keep hoping we will
be together soon but tomorrow wouldnt be soon
enough. If I could just be with you right now
holding you. all I want is to be near you. I
wouldnt want to talk at anything but to have you
in my arms and to know I dont have to leave you
again. Thats why I want to marry you as soon as
I can so that we can always be together. Its so
much to look forward to for me knowing that you
love me as I love you.

Well darling I am afraid I shall have to
close as I dont know what to say.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

P.S. A big kiss goodnight
very very special

Vogt Lawrence with 16160308
1045 B.V. Agdn "O"
S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis

21269 Berg Rd.

Detroit 19, Michigan

Saturday
Oct. 13, 1945

My darling

It's quite late, the
day seemed to just fly.
Really it's not as late
as I thought it was
as the Hit Parade just
came on and they
are play "I'm Going
To Love That Guy" must
mean you. Heck?

I am very happy today
any I received two letters
from you. It always make
me feel wonderful to get them
from you even before I
read them and then the

I read them I feel more
wonderful than ever.
Darling I love you so
and so I could never ever
get tired of hearing you
say you love me.
But I've said that before
but as long as we both
feel that way nothing
could ever go wrong. And
once more I think you
are sweet.

They are now playing
"Wishing On A Star" its
sorta cute. Do you like
it. That's something I
always do wish for
stars, you may think

it silly but its something
I have always done
as long as I can remember
and right now I am
wishing you were right
here with me. Soon
you will be though
and then I won't have to
dream of you being
here cuz you will be.
It will be so much
fun having you around
all the time as I enjoy
every minute I'm
with you.

Bunny is trying to
get in my lap. Spelt

Lo Dams
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19 Mich.



OCT 13

Diary Mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
1045 B.O. Sqdn "O"
S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio
Texas

Oct. 14, 1945

My Darling Lois,

Its 10:30 Sunday morning here and an hour earlier in Detroit so I imagine you are getting ready for church. I got up early this morning as usual about 7:30 and haven't done hardly anything. Took a shower and read the funny papers and of course I had breakfast. Its nice here today its warm and the sky is nice and clear. I bet its cold at home and probable raining. I think you should be here with me so we can share the nice weather together. I would much rather be there with you though, for keeps.

Yesterday afternoon I received two letters that you had sent to Miami that had been returned to you but I didn't get any other letters so Monday I hope to get two or three. I think maybe I will.

I guess I never make things very clear in my letters cause you always misunderstand me. When I asked you to be on the lookout for houses I meant that you should see what kind of places are out there and what you would like. Also I don't know much about the situation except that there is a shortage. I just wanted you to try and keep posted a little. Cause when I get home it will be hard to go right out and find what we want. Besides I want the house of your choice. After all you're going to have to do the house keeping and it is your house. All I want is to live within our means, and the kind of house I would want is far beyond that. We shall see anyway and we can't rent an apartment until the time comes that we can have our own place.

I went to the show last night and saw

"Meet me in St Louis", I didn't like it very well although there was some good parts. We didn't stay to see the whole thing, got tired of it.

I got a chain for your ring and wear it around my neck as its a bit small for my finger, OK?

I am glad you like my plan for when I come home to you. Its really more of a dream and yet one of these days it will come true. I hope it is soon and I am doing everything I can to hurry the day but there isn't much I can do. If I had anything to do with it I would have been home long ago.

Everyday I wonder what you are doing and if you are thinking of me as much as I do you. If you do then I am on your mind all the time. I love you so much darling. I wish I could be with you and they just keep me here. If it was important that I stay here it if there was a reason I wouldn't mind so much but they just keep me here for nothing and I should be with you.

Well darling I don't know what to say there is never much news to tell about and I have told you how much I love you and how every little thing you say or do means to me. I only want to be with you darling and real soon to stay.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

P.S. I would write to you all day every day only I don't know what to say, except I love you very very much.

1/sgt Lawrence Witt 16/60905
1045 B.V. Sqdn "O"
S.A.P. M.A.F. P.D.R.
San Antonio, Texas

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Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Sunday eve
Oct. 11 '08

My darling,
Sunday again and I
~~am~~ ^{am} listening to Wally
Time as they usually play
the things I like to hear.
I love Sunday evenings
as there is so much
good music on the radio.

Went to church this
morning and then out
to dinner and a show
Joyce wanted Mother
and I to go out with
her and Mrs DeCarson

(at my mother's) so we
did. But I really should
have stayed ~~at~~ home
and got some letter
writing done. You see
I am behind on every
one's but yours. And
my day wouldn't be
complete unless I
wrote you.

I have been missing
you so much all day
even at church and
the show when I should
have been listening, here
I was a million
miles away thinking

of you. Oh well it was
more interesting being
with you. I wish you
were here tonight, but
I shouldn't keep say-
ing that and make you
feel bad. But I do
wish you were here
any I love you honey.

Dad left this afternoon
to go hunting, he goes
to Peck County Wood
he like to leave the
night before hunting
season so he can't
be there when the
sun comes shining
through. Wellllllll

darling its getting
late again Soooooo
Goodnight dear.

All my love + kisses

J
Love

P.S. X Your good
night kisses
my dear.
J

40 Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.



Via Flit Mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt #16160308

1045 B.V. Sq. "A"

S.A.D. H.A.F. P.D.

San Antonio
Texas

Oct. 15, 1945

My Darling Lois,

Here it is Monday morning and it isn't a blue Monday either as I received three letters that had been sent to Miami and two that you sent here. So I am very happy today. You said they should have known were they sent me from Miami. Well they did and all my mail came to this post and was then sent back because they made the mistake here. It's straight now though as I guess they ~~the~~ (well you know), I'm afraid I straightened it out a bit though as a lot of people won't know were I am at. It's so wonderful to get so many letters from you in one day it makes me feel almost as though you are here with me when I read them. You're right about us thinking along the same lines as we have so much in common and our love is so strong.

Yesterday I went to town and went hauling three games and went to a show and saw "Twice Blessed". Had a pretty good time but it's nothing like the good time I have when I am with you, and I miss you all the time.

You said in your letter we had been engaged four months which is incorrect as it has been only three. July 10 to Aug. 10 is one month and Aug. 10 to Sept. 10 is two months and Sept. 10 to Oct. 10 is three. It does seem much longer as time goes so slow when I am away from you. Then too it has been for such a long time that I have loved you and it seems like we should have been engaged much sooner if I hadn't been afraid you didn't love me, but I felt like that before I went away although I had always hoped I would win you some day.

II

do you saw Jeanette & was wondering if you had seen her. So she think I looked wonderful. Well I am a lot better than I was when I was home. Although I still feel less energetic than I need to. Maybe I am growing old. Hope not! I think all I need is you when all my troubles will be over and you hadnt better say different.

I miss you very much like I say in all my letters and I never have any other news to tell you but I can always say I Love you very much and its only thing that makes me happy is that you love me. Dont worry about me forgetting to tell you I love you in my letters as its all I can think about and all I really want to say although it seems funny to keep saying the same things so many times and I hope you never get tired of hearing it. I know how much it means to me when you tell me how much you love me and miss me in your letters, or I to feel all warm inside because of you.

I received a surprise today. I got a newspaper clipping which I am sending. I never knew anything about them sending anything to the paper from here. If they had sent it later they would probable mention the purple heart with the air medal.

Well darling I shall close for now as again I am running out of things to say. I Love you with all my heart and am in hopes that something will come up that I might be with you soon.

P.S. A great big hug and
kiss from me.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

1st Lt Lawrence With 16160308
1045 B.V. Sqdn. "O"
S.A.P. A.A.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Burg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Oct. 15, 1945
Monday

My darling,

But you can't guess
where I am writing you
can you? Well ~~well~~
I am down at Michigan
Central waiting for
a train to pull in.

We have more company
coming. This time it's
mother's sister and
her husband.

It's real lonely though
 cuz I keep thinking you
left not so long ago
down here. But you

will be coming back
here soon too. We hope.

It will be so wonderful
when you come home
dear that I would be
afraid of waking up
and finding it all a
dream.

So Normie in Texas
too. Jay did he ever
have that party or
did you ask him about
it. Course I remember
all the trouble we had
getting home from Eastwood
the night we met
him. I have not forgotten

Lo Dancy
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.



Via Air Mail

T/Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308

1045 B.O. Sqdn "0"

S.A.D. A.F.F. P.D.C.

San Antonio
Texas

Oct. 16, 1945

My Darling Lois,

I had started one letter but it went as good as the guys distract me cause they talk so loud so I told them to go get ready to go to town and while they get ready I can be alone with you. I went to town yesterday to get a model plan but we got there too late so I came back. I am going in this afternoon and go bowling. I wanted to go swimming yesterday and today but the pool is closed. We have our own pool right in the Sgd area. We go to the Y.M.C.A. to bowl and it only cost 15¢ a game.

I still haven't any news to tell except I am just waiting on that five points I put in for I am sure to get it but I have to wait a week maybe. Then I can start working my way out of the army.

So Sara went with Otto. I wish you could have went with me. I would have stayed in Miami when until I got my discharge. Then I wouldn't be so anxious as long as you could be with me. I miss you so much and it makes me hate this darn army. There is nothing we can do except wait and keep on loving one another. The loving part is the easiest I couldn't do anything but love you.

Who is Pat and who is her boy friend? You can have her tell him I am in Barrack 5-344 that would make it a lot easier to find me. I am right up stairs in the front room. He can tell my place by your picture on the shelf.

See darling I wish there was more to write about. But they never do have anything different around here and I hate to say things that might not come

but as I know what a disappointment it always is
to me.

I can tell you one thing for sure and that that I
Love you with all my heart and soul and miss
you very very much and all I look forward to is
being with you. Well darling I shall have to
close now as the boys are back again.

With all my Love & Kisses

Lawrence

P.S. I cant hardly wait
for all those kisses when
I get home. This will have
to do till I get there. Of course
its extra special with a
big hug. X goodnight.

Ysgt Lawrence S. Witt 16160308
1045 D.U. Azda "O"

S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.

San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis

21269 Burg Rd.

Detroit 19, Michigan

Oct. 16, 1945

Tuesday

My darling,

It's evening again and I'm with you again alone with your picture here before me. How I love this time even if you aren't here dear. I feel so much closer when I am writing you.

Darling - it seems almost too good to be true, that you might be out of the army before the first of the year. Golly I hope

nothing happens. It
would be so wonderful.

No hon, I don't mind
if you wear my ring
on a chain. Frankly
I thought you would
take it so long before
you did cuz it just
wasn't the right size.

Do you want a wedding
band? I would like
you to have one, but
I know a lot of fellows
don't like them.

You don't have to wonder
what I think about dear
cuz it's always you, you

and you. I love you
didn't I ever tell you?

Today has been a
beautiful day just
like Indian Summer.
And the trees are
so beautiful. I would
love to ride and ride
with you of course

Everytime I plan
anything or think of things
I would like to do I
always include you if
you arent here in person
You in my dreams dear

Untill tomorrow
darling

Full my love + kisses
John

P.S. An extra
special kiss my
darling.

D.

P.P.S. It's taken me two hours
to write this so you can
see how much I think
~~am~~ about you while
am writing D.

Lo Dams
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.



via Air Mail
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Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
PO 45 B.O. Sqdn "0"
S.A.D., A.A.P. P.P.C.
San Antonio
Texas

Oct. 17, 1945
Wed.

My Darling Lois.

Its about 10:30 in the morning and I have had a busy morning as usual. I got up and had breakfast then turned in my bedding and took a shave and shave after which we had a talk by our C.O. then I shined my shoes and cleaned up the room and went to mail call. That's the best part of the day as I always get a letter from you but today I got two. So I am in a very good mood, your letters always make me very happy and you say the things I like to hear especially when you say you love me. What I didnt know was what you thought me sweet because I am very mean. I am glad you love me anyway and will try real hard not to be mean to you.

You said in one of your letters that you addressed a letter to me from Mrs Hanley. I just thought I would tell you I havent got it yet. I wonder what could have happened to it. You didnt use ink that would fade did you?

In your last Sundays letter you mentioned a Sunday school class for adults, but in this Sundays letter you didnt mention it. Did you forget to go or was it a flop?

I went bowling again last night and averaged 138 for five games its the best I have done in a long time. I expect to go again today. I also might go swimming but its a little cool yet. I met Norm Phillips and his mother in town last night and she seem to be disgusted with this place. Oh well she isnt the only one is she? You should have seen

the loanama split I had last night it had everything
in it for .25¢. Then when we came back to the post we
went over to the mess hall and told them we just came
in to this field and what they sent us over for something
to eat and had a meal.

Were I was last night was the Y M C A. and that
was we hawl. They also had a dance there and it
made me miss you all the more as I thought about
the dances we had together and how wonderfull it
was. Of course I didnt dance last night or any other
time as it wouldnt be any good without you besides
I dont like other women. You may not believe that but
before you came home from New York I went out on
several dates and didnt like any of them I just
wanted you to come home. In fact it was the first
and only thing I talked to Jean about, and to think
you thought I went with you because of Joyce. Shame
on you. I am glad I changed your mind about that.
If I had wanted Joyce I would have come over to
see her.

I do like the programs that are on Sunday nights
but I havent heard any of them lately. Also the songs
you mentioned are also favorites of mine we have so
much in common in music and many other things
I hate what makes me feel we were meant to love
one another we seem to share the same opinions on
so many things, even the way you felt about
getting married at least I got the impression that
you hadnt had the intention till we started going
together and you were the only one I had ever cared to
marry and I thought of you all the time I was away.
When I tell the fellows I was with I am now
engaged they ask if its the one I always talked

talked about, and that is you of course.

I love you so much I don't know anything else
I feel as though I have always loved you as I never
could love anyone else. The fellows here laugh at me
because I don't have any eyes for other women. Some day
they might understand. I feel sorry for them if they
don't because it's the happiest thing that has happened
to me.

Well darling I shall close for now as I want to
go eat. I love you very very much and miss you
all the time.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

P.S. another Kiss until
I get home, an extra
special one.

Wsgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
1045 B.U. Spdn "O"
S.A.P. R.A.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Oct. 17, 1945.
Wednesday

My darling,

It's evening and I'm
alone with you again.
Received a very nice
letter from you today, but
then they are always wonderful.

Received the clipping too
it was very nice dear,
thanks for sending it. What
paper was it in? Friday City?
But what's this about you
getting the purple heart
Lawrence, you never
told me anything about
being wounded.

Yes hon, I know we
have been engaged only
three months don't know
what made me say
four.

I just came back
from club meeting and
it was Betty's birthday
too so we had a party
for her.

Gally darling I have
been so lonely all day
more than usual can't
understand it. But I
feel better now since
I received a letter from
you today. Poor boss

I feel sorry for him,
I had a lot of work
to do today but I
just couldn't get any-
thing done for thinking
of you. Oh, well when
you come home I won't
have to be lonely for
you and maybe I
can get something done.
Think so?

Welllllllll now, I
shall have to close
for tonight as I won't
be writing you today

but tomorrow.

All my love & kisses
Love

P.S. X Yours darling
a big one

P.P.S. Ho Hum It's 12:15
goodnight dear,
Q

20 Dams
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich

Via Air Mail



1/ Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
1045 B.U. Sgdn. "O"
S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio
Texas

Oct. 18, 1945

My Darling Lois,

Its another nice morning and the weather has been pretty swell for the most part of my stay so far. Its cool at night and in the morning but gets real warm in the afternoon. It makes me wish you could be here cause you say the weather at home isnt so good at least it cant be very good if it rains so much and you catch cold can it? Besides I like to share the nice things with you and all I have to share is my love and the weather at present. I know you cant be here and yet I like to wish you were just so that I could see you even if it were only for a short time and to hold you close to me and one thing leading to another I might get bold and kiss you, I hope you wouldnt mind.

As usual nothing new has happened although rumors are getting thick and fast but it doesnt mean anything. I wont be able to tell you anything whatever until I start to process and I hope its soon cause after that I should get discharged. I wish they werent so slow here.

I went swimming again yesterday and maybe I will go again today. I also went Bowling last night another first game. I was a bit tired though and didnt do as good as the night before I only got an average of 128. Its better bowling than I usually do though.

I saw a bit of excitement when I came in as some guy was hanging around the vac barracks and as I came down the street two M.P.s drove up and the guy was hiding in a vacant barrack

and they run him out right in front of me. The M.P.s picked up a couple 2x4s and chased him down into our sqdr. that's were they caught him. Boy I never seen a guy run so fast as he did. They said he was pretty drunk. Guess I had better stay away from the mess hall?

You asked if I ever here from Bones. I just got a letter from him yesterday afternoon. He says his leg is considered 4 F and his body unessential and expects to be discharged soon, probably out already as his letter came from Miami its the first letter I have received from there without it going back to the sender. He also had a P.S. which says, "Poor Lois tek tek." I am afraid he feels as I do that your getting the worst end of it when you marry me. I hope I wont be to bad a husband.

I received a letter from you today that you wrote at Michigan Central. I wish it could have been me you were waiting for an idis army life was a thing of the fact. I hope it will be soon and I know how you must have felt sitting in that place. So far I have a dislike to railroad stations to many good by's and not enough hello's. I dont think I will waste time saying hello to you though. I would rather express my joy with a big kiss the one I am really waiting for. I love you so very much and long for you all the time all I do is dream of you and that we might be together for good real soon. Well darling I shall close for now as I want to write a lot of letters this

morning although I will probably end up not
writing any more except to my Mother. Well
darling I must run along but before I go here
is a big hug and Kiss and all my Love.

All my Love for always
Lawrence

P.S. that one kiss wasnt
enough so here are a lot
more. XXXXX KXX!!!

Vsyt Lawrence Will 16160308
1045 B.O. Sqdn 'O'
SAD AAF P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Michigan

Oct. 18, 1945.

Thursday

My darling,

I wonder how you are this evening. I wish I could be with you for just one evening. But here I am wishing again.

Hon, you keep saying there's nothing to write about. All I want to hear about is what you are doing and thinking about. And that should keep you busy at least. Oh, yes dear there is

another thing you said
you were just waiting for
those five points. What
five points? They might
be meat points for
all you told me, you
can enlighten me on
that subject.

Pat is a girl I go
out with some times but
I don't think it would
do much good to have
A. look you up know
 cuz he is supposed to
be out of the Old Army
this week, At least
thats what Pat said the

last time I saw her.

Wellllll my darling
I am going - to have to
cut this short and get
some sleep.

Till tomorrow then.

All my love & kisses

P.S. You don't know
I how I wait for your
kisses and here's
yours for tonight X.

D.

Lo Jones
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich.

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Via Airmail



Sgt Lawrence Wilt 16160308
1045 B.U. Sgtn "O"
S.A.D. A.F.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio
Texas

Oct. 19, 1945

My Darling Lois,

Another nice day here, that is as far as the weather is concerned, but without you none of the days are very nice. I have been busy as usual doing nothing. I got up for breakfast but I went feeling so good so when I came back I went back to bed. I went bowling yesterday and bowled three games and it looks like I keep getting worse as my average was only 125. I am going again this afternoon though and hope to do better. I also went to a show and saw "Bill of the Yukon", but I didn't like it. I played four games of pool this morning on the Post. I won all four games. I sent my laundry out a week ago and it still isn't back they say it might be back Monday. So I haven't any clean uniforms. I packed a lot of things to send home today as I have a lot of extra things that I would like to keep.

I finally wrote some letters. I wrote about six yesterday one to Mrs Bostick. I haven't heard from Mrs Hanley yet. I guess she must have lost the letter you addressed for her.

Sure I would like a wedding band seeing as you would like me to have one. I don't see any reason why some people wouldn't like them unless they are ashamed that they are married and I don't expect to be ashamed, far from it. I wouldn't blame you if you were ashamed of me as I ain't much good any more. I get very disgusted with myself and feel sorry for you.

I guess I will be alright when I am out of the army its a sure to drive a person crazier than

I am. Oh well it will be over one of these days and then all my hopes wishes, and dreams will come true as I will be with you never to part again. I Love you very much and your all that keeps me from doing something drastic down here like murder.

Did I tell you I had a slight case of food poisoning. Its over now though but I didnt feel good all day yesterday and the day before.

I got my watch in repair as the stem came out I took it in yesterday and get it out in a week. They have a repair shop right on the base and I didnt know it till yesterday.

Well darling as usual there is no news and you know how I am always thinking of you and I Love you with all my heart and miss you very very much and am in hopes that we might be with you soon but I cant be with you soon enough. I hope my letters dont to dry and that they dont to much the same but I dont know what to write only that I Love you and long to hold you and kiss you as in time past.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

P.S. A very sweet kiss from me and then another and another etc. XXXXX

1st Lt Lawrence Will 16760309

1045 B.V. Apts "O"

SAD MAF PDC

San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis

21269 Berg Rd.

Detroit 19, Michigan

October 19, 1943

Friday

My darling,

Here I am writing again with Wally Tom on the radio. Did you see "State Fair"? They are playing pieces from that now.

Sounds funny to hear you saying that you are going swimming when it is beginning to get cold here. Say you are going to freeze to death when you come home being used to warm weather.

Say hon, did you ever hear
the song, "Love Letters"? I
don't like the music so
well but the words are
~~at~~ very good. Especially
one line, it goes, I'm
not alone in the night
when I have all the
love you ~~write~~ write
about. I like to think
of it when I get to
feeling lonely, then I
don't any more. Guess
I shouldn't ever feel
lonely when I know
you love me, but
Damn I do.

Every time I hear a love
song, ~~or~~ the moon and
the stars out I want to
be with you as much
as I love you more
that I can tell.

Maybe its a good
thing you are doing
so much hauling boxes
you probably need it
to work ~~at~~ these extra
meals and banana
splits you have been
eating. Trying to keep
that school boy figure?

Well ~~well~~ my
darling ~~is~~ its about

the end of another day
and most certainly this
letter.

Fill my love + kisses
Love

P.S. X your goodnight
Kiss D.

P.P.S. Hon, I don't mind if you
go to the U.S.O. dances but
think of me all the time
your dancing and don't
pick out the prettiest girls.
Don't leave you a very wide
field do I? But you belong
to me dear and don't
forget. D.

Lo Dams
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich

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Via Air Mail

Sgt Laurence Witt
16160308
1045 B.O. Sqdn. "D"
S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.
San Antonio, Texas

Oct 20 1945
Saturday

My darling,
Saturday again and I only
work a half a day! Lucky me.
Mother and I went shopping
and I bought a new black
suit. It wasn't in my
budget but I bought any-
how.

Dad went hunting this
morning at 2:30. What
a time to get out of
bed to go hunting. Do
you ever leave that
early? They are going

up north some where
and stay all week-end

Tonight would be a
wonderful night for a
hay ride. Course it
wouldnt be any fun
without you. It's
beautiful out ^{thought} the
moon is full and
theres lots and lots of
stars out and its just
cold enough to feel
good. BUT I wouldnt
like to have anyone
else along, just you
and I.

So Bowen feels sorry
for me, well hon, all
my friends feel sorry
for you. So I guess
the scare is even

Willlllll my darling
I guess I will have
to close for tonight as
mother and I are going
to the show. I have seen
both pictures but mother
did she would like
to go, so I said I
would take her.

So soon, till tomorrow
then

All my love & kisses,
Love

P.S. You kiss
darling X
D

To Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit, M. M.



Via Air Mail

Sgt. Lawrence Witt 1616030

1045 B.D. Bgdn "O"

S.A.D. A.F.F. P.D.C.

San Antonio
Texas

Oct. 21, 1945

My Darling Lois,

Here it is another very lonesome Sunday without you and I am in a very sentimental mood. I wish I could be with you so much, I will be one of these days and that's what I am dreaming about. Gee darling it will be so wonderful to be with especially after being away so long, it seems like it's been years. I keep thinking of just you and I and a home of our own. What I am trying to say and don't know just how is that I love you so very much and miss you all the time I am away.

I am now eligible for discharge, but it will take awhile. This is what I have to do. I have to go through records with this Sgt. I am in then move to another Sgt. for discharge. I have to wait my turn as there are fellows that have been in this camp waiting longer than I have. I expect to get through records by the end of this month. I don't know how long it will be till I am discharged after that but if things go right it shouldn't be longer than two weeks. As soon as I can find something more definite I will let you know but things are very slow here so don't expect much news.

Now I want to tell you what I have been doing with my time. Friday afternoon I went to town with the fellows in my room and went bowling again this time we bowled six

games. I was pretty tired and so was the other
so none of us did very good & got an average of
125. It seems I keep getting bees so now I
am resting over the week end and hope to do
better Monday. After bowling we had some
grapefruit juice and came back to camp and
played pool. Then yesterday I played pool again
in the morning and went swimming and in
the evening I went to a show on the Post and
played pool again and went swimming about
10:30 P.M. after which I had a good night sleep. I
have packed a lot of things I want to send home
but haven't been able to get any wrapping paper
as yet. I am still waiting on my laundry to come
back. I did a washing yesterday. I wash all
my things except the uniforms as they have to
be starched and ironed. I also have a pair of winter
pants which I want to get pressed & guess I will
do it myself as I noticed an iron in our day
room. Well I guess that just about covers my
activities so far except I didn't mention I have
read today's funny papers.

I didn't get any mail from you Saturday so
I waited to write you in the afternoon as I hoped
I would get a letter but no luck. Then I thought
I would write in the evening and when we got
done swimming I laid down and fell asleep.
I hope you won't be angry with me. Are you?
I want let it happen again.

I haven't seen anything of Pat's boy friend and
still haven't heard from Mrs. Hanley. I have been
waiting for her letter before I write so I can

answer it. Well darling I am running out
of things to say so shall have to close for now.

With all my Love for You
& Kisses

Lawrence

P.S. Many kisses for
now and many
more when I get
home, big sweet ones.
Alright?

Oct 21, 1945

My Darling Lois,

Another day without you and yet that wouldnt be correct as you are in my mind and heart also I have three letters from you today which brings you very close to me. I sure miss your letters over the week end and I miss you all of the time. Wonder why? I dont miss anybody else. Maybe its because I am in Love. Yep. thats it, I am so much in love with you that I dont know weather I am coming or going. Soon I will be coming home though I hope. I filled out a new file card today as I was ready to process for discharge and its only a matter of time till I am ready. Oh yes the five points is for the purple heart, I thought you would understand when I told you I was getting it that is was the five points I have mentioned.

I stayed in camp over the week end but didnt do so bad about keeping busy. Played a lot of pool and went to two shows Sunday. I saw "First Yank into Tokyo" and "The Spanish Main" both were pretty good. I played Ping Pong and pool again this morning and am going Bowling again tonight. I would go swimming but it has turned cold again but not so cold for being outside just cool. I also want to get my laundry today if it is in. It had better be as it been over a week.

I still feel bad about not writing you Saturday. It isnt that I wasnt thinking of you its just that I put it off till to late in the evening and then we went swimming. I wanted to write you when

the other quit claim but that doesn't happen often.

We got our room all cleaned up and everything put away and its the first time it has looked so good. One fellow was to breakfast and when he came back he didnt know it was the same room and walked right out as soon as he seen it. Then he realized he was in the right barrack, and I aint kidding either. We even shined our shoes!

Its a wonderfull day for long walks in the country as its cool and clear and the sun is out nice and bright. I look forward to many such days with you, with long walks and everything else that we seem to enjoy together, swimming, Tennis, Dancing, Driving in the rain and all the things that we enjoy. I dont hear the radio much around here but when I hear any good music I usually think of the dances we had at the concerts we went to. Its going to be wonderfull when we can be together to do those things again.

That stepping was in the Dunlay City papers, but it is a lot of balange, and I gave them heck for sending such lies home.

As far as dancing with other girls I wouldnt enjoy it. You are the first girl I ever really enjoyed a dance with. That's why I never danced much and forgot all my dancing lessons, I had taken. I dont even want to talk to the girls down here. The guys in the room say I got it bad.

Well darling they are waiting for me to go to show. So shall love with a big kiss and loads of Love.

All my Love and Kisses
Lawrence

P.S. and a big kiss for now
and plenty more for when I come home.

Lawrence Witt 16/60305
1045 B.V. Sgdn. '0"
SAD AFF PDC
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Sunday
Oct. 2, 1945

My darling

It's late in the evening now and I have had the radio on all evening listening to music. How, I didn't know I could miss seeing and being with anyone ^{as} much as I miss you.

I'm a bad girl today, as I just couldn't get up for church - tooooooo sleepy. So I slept till mother came back from

church and got up and
ate. Lazy aren't I?

Oh yes Bill called me
this afternoon to find out
your address as he had
received a letter back
from Florida tod. He
also said that he didn't
have a discharge, he
just had a extra long
leave but I guess he
will tell you all about
it.

It has rained all day
so I read and have
done nothing else but

read. When I get started
on a book I can't hardly
put it down till I finish

It's been almost three
months since you left
and yet it seem like only
yesterday since we said
good-bye. Oh, darling I
hope you do get a
dis-charge soon but that
almost too good to hope
for. But I am just
the same.

Welllllllll darling
till tomorrow then

and all the tomorrows
after

All my love and kisses
Paul

P.S.
X your kiss
my darling.
D

To Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, Mich



Via Air Mail

T/Sgt. Lawrence Witt 16160308
1045 B.V. Sqdn. "O"

S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.

San Antonio
Texas

Oct. 22, 1945

Monday

My darling Lawrence,

It's a very blue, rainy day here, and I miss you very much.

Say hon, I have some news for you. Joyce is now engaged, she is supposed to get her ring sometime this week. I can imagine what Tom will say, as he thought he was engaged to her. Oh well that's her problem but I have given up trying to understand her.

Thought, I would write you on my lunch hour

today cuz I am going shopping with Reba tonight. I would rather write in the evening just before I go to bed cuz I am alone with you then, as I am the last in bed always but seeing as we are having company tonight even after I come back from shopping. Lunch hour is over now so I shall finish later.

Back home now and I am alone with you (your picture) I just read your letter and darling I'm sorry you have been sick

hope you are feeling better now. Gee I'm glad you got food poisoning while you are in the army cuz if we were married I would never live it down.

Darling your letters are ~~far~~ from dry, you don't know how much I look forward to them all day at work. They mean every thing to me and I read them over and over. If anyones letters are dry I'm afraid it's been mine as I never was good at expressing my feeling in person or in writing.

And as far as ever being

ashamed of you dear, nothing
 was ever furtherest from my
 mind. I am very, very
 proud of you dear very proud.
 Your handsome, sweet and
 I love you. And further
 more mister don't you
 ever run you down ^{will} again
 cuz you will have a fight
 on your hands cuz I think
 your wonderful.

Even if we are apart for
 now dear it won't be for long
 and we can never be really
 apart as long as we love
 each other as we do.

Till tomorrow then,
 my darling, All my love & kisses
 P.S. XXXX Your kisses
 dear Love

Lo Dams
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19, MI



Oct 22/45

Via Air Mail

~~T/Sgt~~ Lawrence Witt 16160308

1045 B.D. Sqdn "O"

S.H.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.

San Antonio, Texas

Oct. 23, 1945

My Darling Lois,

I don't know what to write about today as haven't done hardly anything. I finally got my laundry back and they did a swell job. I got all dressed up medals & all and went to town to go bowling. I did real good last night on one game I got 189 with seven spairs and two strikes. We only bowled two games as there were five of us and we didn't want to take to long as one fellow didn't bowl. Then after bowling we went to eat and then they went out to drink and I came back. One of the guys lost his wallet with a hundred dollars in it. I think he will get it back though as he knows were he left it.

I got my order for the purple heart today and will get the medal and the air medal presented when I am discharged as we don't get anything until we go through processing.

I was telling you how I was all dressed up. It made me wish so much that you could be with me as its the first time I have been presentable since I left home as I never dress up around here. I miss you all the more today though as I haven't received a letter from you yet but am in hopes I will hear from you this afternoon. In fact mail call is pretty soon. My Darling I don't know what to say only that I love you very very much its all I know. I long and dream so much of the day when we will be together again next time for good. Its going to be all the more wonderful when we are married so that I won't have to leave you every night. I dreaded having to take you home after each date. It seemed I couldn't hold you

enough. I often wondered if you felt the same about it especially the night we were engaged. I hated to take you home so early that night. I hope you hated it as much as I did.

I did a lot of crazy things when I was home. I hope you realize I aint always that way. I know I made you mad a lot of times but I am an awfull tease. I hope you dont take some of the things I did to serious. I just a bad boy & queer. I wonder how you can love me but I am sure happy that you do. Well darling I shall close for now as the guys are telling stories and I cant write as they bother me.

all my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

P.S. a great big Kiss
then some more till
tomorrow.

7547 Lawrence with 16/60308
1045 B.U. System "O"
SAD AAF PDC
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Wednesday
Oct. 24, 1945

My darling,

Another day and it's not
a very nice day and
either it's very gray and
cold. bum

Tonight is Club meeting
again; goodness I haven't
been home one night this
week for dinner. Maybe
tomorrow.

It's a good thing I haven't
been home too much this week
though cuz Dad doesn't approve
of Joyce being engaged to Floyd
and well Joyce & Dad aren't getting
along too well.

I'm sure glad that Dad
and Mother both like you.
Not that I blame them cuz
I like you too (kinda)

Time to go back to work
now seeing as lunch hour
is over. Soooooo I will
finish later.

Back again - miss me?
You better say yesssss
cuz I miss you more
and more all the time.

Say didn't you tell me
that you wore a size 7½ ring?

Ah hon, I forgot to tell
you something. I was
going to bake you some cookies
over last week-end but

mother couldn't get the sugar. And when I told Dad that you had food poisoning he ask me if I baked them out of something else and sent them any way.

Sniff, sniff my feelings are hurt.

O ee, golly more work excuse me again.

Back again and its almost time to call it a day. And what a day, it is now raining. It waits all day to rain and it starts raining just before its time to go home. Oh well it wont kill me so

why worry about it. I like
to get wet anyway.

Welllllllll darling, ~~it~~^{oh} Its time
to go home now so I shall
close by saying I love
more than I can tell.

All my love & kisses
Love

P.S.

Your kisses
Dear xxxxx

LO. DAVIS
21269 BERG ROAD
DETROIT 19, MICHIGAN

OCT 24/45



VIA AIR MAIL

T/SGT. LAWRENCE WITT 16160308
1045 B.U. SQDN. "O"
S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

October 23, 1945
Tuesday

My darling,

I am staying late at work to write you cuz I am meeting Betty to go out to dinner as it is her birthday.

Received your letter already today cuz Tex was coming down town and brought it to me. Wasn't she sweet.

So you are getting a discharge in the near future oh how, that's wonderful but it couldn't be soon enough for me. I miss you so much.

Pat called up today and said that her boyfriend is to be discharged tomorrow but he has been down there about four months.

longer than you have.

So you went to sleep Saturday instead of writing me. The very idea. What will I do with you? Forgive you I suppose, have to think it over though.

Oh my hon, I don't know what could have happened to that letter of Mrs Hanley's. I mailed it almost a week ago now. Hope you get it cuz she will think I didn't mail it.

Wellllllll my darling it's almost time for me to meet Betty

now so I shall close
for tonight

All my love & kisses
Love

P.S. X your kiss
for tonight and a
lot more later.

D.

LO. DAVIS
21269 BERG ROAD
DETROIT, MICH.



VIA AIR MAIL

T/SGT. LAWRENCE WITT 16160308
1045 B.U. SQDN. "O"
S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Oct 25, 1945

My Darling Lois,

To start off I want to say I dated yesterday's letter wrong it is 26 and should be the twenty sixth. I don't know what I must have been thinking when I dated it. Maybe I am even crazier than I think. Hope not.

I went to a show last night and saw "That night with you", with Branches Bone. It had a lot of good music and was sort of comical. After the show I played a few games of pool. It seems that all I have left for recreation as I am restricted to the post till I get discharged and they should start on that any day now, so I can't go bowling and it is to cold to go swimming. I got my warts back yesterday and sent a lot of things home. Then today I played pool again in the morning and got a hair cut just a few minutes ago. Also got a letter from you this morning.

Like I already mentioned I expect to be discharged soon maybe in a week and it should be more than two. So you had better be looking at some wedding gowns and get ready to set the date. Also we have to find a place to live for a while so keep an ear open for any places. I hope everything works out okay all these strikes and everything ain't going to help matters any. I ain't worried though as I will be with you and nothing else matters and I am sure everything will be ok in time. I am so darn happy now as I know it won't be much longer till my dreams will all come true. I will keep you posted on any progress I make toward being home so you will have an

idea when it will be ahead of time. It will take five days since I start to process and that should start the first of next week.

So Joyce is engaged, it was sort of sudden wasn't it? I wouldn't try so hard to understand her if I were you as she is so unpredictable. I can't say I feel sorry for Jim though as it's probably the best for him in the long run.

Well darling there's not any more news to tell about. I didn't receive the letter from Mrs. Hanley yet. I should be home in time to answer it anyway.

Before I close I want to tell you again that I love you and miss you as much as ever and would love and miss you more if it were possible and I can hardly wait till you are in my arms again. A big kiss until tomorrow.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

P.S. Many more kisses
and more when I get
back to you darling.

XXXXXXXXX
goodnight.

759t Lawrence Hill 16160308
1045 B.U. Spdn "O"
SAD AMF PDC
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

My Darling Lois,

well I didnt receive any mail from you yesterday but got two this morning. One you wrote Saturday & the other Sunday. Your idea of a boyside and the way you describe the weather makes me feel as though I were with you. I wish I could be.

Is your dad gets up at 2:30 AM to go hunting. I dont think you would have to worry about me getting up that early as I might not get anything and then people would have to laugh to laff about.

I have to tell you about last night. My roommate went to get his wallet and he wanted me to go with him. Well we had to go to this bar and he got it back. Then he met some guys he knew there so we sat down with them. Then some drunker major came over to talk with us, he was a veterinarian and buys meat for this area and we run him down so much because he was a major that he almost cried. We told us it waent his fault and that he would rather be a sergeant. He sure was funny we couldnt get rid of him and his wife was getting impatient as he left her alone at one of the tables. After he left an F.B.I. man came over and talked to us. He was investigating a murder and the guy that was murdered

was last seen in this place. We talked with him a long time and he said he believed the place was a racket for rolling guys. After he left some nice looking dame comes over and sits with me. I didnt pay no attention to her at first then the bar tender came over and told her her husband was waiting for her. So then she said she was going to stay with us. I told her to get the H - out that she waent wanted. Boy you should have seen her face I guess she was plenty surprised as all the guys around there were pretty nice to her. We met a lot of characters in the place too numerous to mention but we left pretty early and came back to camp. Now you know what kind of places my friends go to. That's the first time I had ever been there and it was sure some dice. Remind me to tell you all about the place when I get home. Its really funny.

Its raining today and pretty cold. So there isnt much doing I have to go get my wash from repair if it is ready and rewrap a package of clothes and things I am sending home.

Well darling thats all the news so far. I am thinking of you all the time and dreaming of the things we can do when we are back together again. I love you with all my heart and all I want is to be with you and having

your love always. I miss you oh so much!!
I hope it won't be so much longer till we are
together. Until then I have my memories and
dreams and I live my life in them till we
are together again. I will remain true always
for to be otherwise would be untrue to myself
as well as you and it would hurt me just as
much. Oh darling I love you so much I don't
know what to do. I am so darned happy because
of you and am anxious for you all the time.
Well dear I shall close now with a kiss a very
special one real sweet. Until tomorrow then.

All my love & kisses
Lawrence

P.S. Many more kisses
as one isn't enough as I
love you sooooo much!!!
XXXXXXXXXXXX

1st Lt Lawrence Hill 16160308
1045 B.U. Sqdn "O"
SAD AAF PDC
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

October 25, 1945

Thursday

My darling

Another beautiful
fall day. Flash!!!

It's not raining either.

I just called home
and I didn't get a letter
from you today. Sigh!

I'm lonesome. Oh,
well tomorrow I will
get ~~two~~ and I can

always read the
others over again. And
I?

Only I have to work
overtime tonight and
I wanted to get home

early and wash my
hair, so I would not
have to go to bed with
it wet. I always did
like wet hair anyhow.

Say now, you
should have seen
the dog and cat last
night when I came
in. They were playing
around and the dog
~~ran~~ the cat right
up the drapery, and
I had to go climbing
around - trying to get
down.

Well my
darling I shall have
to close for now

but I will write
a much longer
letter tomorrow

Fill my love & Resd

Yours

P.S. & Yours
dear till you
come home

Q.

LO. DAVIS



I/SGT. LAWRENCE WITT 16160308
1045 B.U. SQDN. "O"
SAD AAF PDC
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Oct. 26, 1945

My Darling Lois,

Well its late in the evening after a very discouraging day. I would have started to process but they lost my card again, (this is the third time) and so maybe I will get on tomorrow. If I had got on today I could have rode home with Norm Phillips. I went to the show and saw "Sing your way Home". Its a good idea and hope am doing so soon. I also played pool this evening and now I have sat down to answer your letter. I started to answer it several times but I am so mad cause they wiped up my record that I aint in a very nice mood to be writing anybody. I should get on a processing schedule tomorrow and start processing Sunday I should finish by Friday and be home Sun. or Monday. That is if everything goes right which I rather suspect it wont. Just keep your fingers crossed.

See there isnt anything to say except I am in hopes that my dreams of you shall soon be fulfilled and I shall be with you once again. I can hardly wait but guess I have to. I wont be so long though. I love you darling and soon we can be married and never again have to part. I shall close for now with a someing home kiss which I expect to have soon.

All my Love & Kisses

Lawrence,

P.S.

a big sweet kiss
goodnight. X X

1/59 Lawrence AFB 16160308
1045 B.V. Sqdn "O"
SAD AAF PDC
San Antonio, Texas



ML

Miss Lois Davis
21269 Bug Rd
Detroit 19, Michigan

October 26, 1945
Friday

My darling,
It's time for my
letter to you again. I
Wally time just came
on and they are playing
"If I Loved You" and I
do ^{love} you dead. But you
know that at least
you better, I tell you
often enough.

Say you are getting
rather good at banding
if fact you do better than
the teams a work. I think
they average the team
score and there personal

score. You probably know how they do it any how. But this score doesn't run as high as yours does. See your just good.

Oh, these fellows that you go with are they the ones you said were in the same prison camp as fellows you met in Texas?

Have they started processing you yet now? What is processing anyhow just straightening out records and etc? Is your brother getting a discharge? I read were all men

with two or more children are supposed to be and by Tamary and I wondered about him.

Oolly how I am very very lonesome tonight even if I did receive a letter from you. I love you too much not to miss you, but some times things happen to make me miss you more than ever. Know what I mean?

Welllllll my darling it's getting late again so with a ho-hum I'm off to bed. ^{kindly} All my love & kisses
your ^{darling} ~~love~~ ^{love}
P.S. - 4

Oct 27, 1945

My Darling Lois,

Received another letter from you today and I am glad you didn't bake any cookies as I very seldom eat them, and I don't worry about food poisoning from you as your not that bad a cook besides I have eaten my own cooking so I can eat anything.

It's too bad about Joyce not getting along with the family because of her engagement and I'm glad that I can get along with your family. That means a lot in a happy marriage. I hope I can always remain on good terms with them.

Yes I were about a $7\frac{1}{2}$ ring, at least I think I do it's been a long time since I have had a ring. It's sure wonderful of you to think of getting me a wedding band and I love you for it. It will be something I will always treasure.

I went today to find out why I wasn't on a processing list and they had lost my file card. They said I would start to process Monday though. So I should be here the 4th or 5th or 6th of November. I want to see you tell later what is until I start home as I never know what they are apt to do here.

It's going to be so wonderful to be with you again and I hope everything will work out so we can be married as planned. I can hardly wait to be with you so we can talk it over and set the date.

Well darling I haven't been doing anything to write about except waiting on them to start me through. So all I can write about is my affections

for you. I love you and always will and hope to
keep you happy all of your life. I long for you
so much that I am beside myself with anticipation.
I remember you as you always were & can even
remember the first time Bill & I took you and Joyce out.
Soon we will be doing new things to remember
and I know all my memories will be wonderful.
Well dear I shall close till tomorrow.

With all my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

P.S. An extra special
Kiss & many more
when I am with
you X X X !!!

1st Lt Lawrence Will 16140308
1045 R.O. Sqdn "C"
SAD RAF PDC
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

October 27, 1945

Saturday

My darling,

I'm so happy I
received two letters
from you today and
that you think you
will be home in two
weeks. Oh darling you
don't know how happy
it made me, but it's
going to be the longest
two weeks in my life.
I haven't anything planned
and I'm going to have to

thing to live in and they
said its impossible. Why
worry about it thought
we could always rent
a tent. Couldn't we?
I will keep a ear open
(as you put it) though and
even look in all the papers.

Dolly dear, I am
so excited about you
coming home. I only
hope nothing happens.

I just can't wait till
I'm in your arms again
and your kissing me.

thing to live in and they
say its impossible. Why
worry about it thought
we could always rent
a tent. Couldn't we?
I will keep a ear open
(as you put it) though and
even look in all the papers.

Dolly dear, I am
so excited about you
coming home. I only
hope nothing happens.

I just can't wait till
I'm in your arms again
and your kissing me.

But till then darling I
can only wait an hour
Am till tomorrow
All my love & kisses
J. P.
Laird

P.S. x Your kiss
for tonight, then
lots & lots of them
when you come
home. L.

Lo Davis
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 19 Mich.



Via Air Mail

T/Sgt. Lawrence Witt 16160308
1045 B.O. Sqdn. "0"
S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texas

Oct 28, 1945

Sunday

My Darling Lois.

What we have been waiting for has finally arrived they have just posted my schedule for proceeding and this is it. I start tomorrow and finish the night of the first of November. I haven't checked train schedules yet but will do so tomorrow if I get into town and then I can tell you when I will get home. They made a mistake already by listing me with another Spdn and I hope it won't make any difference. It's a lucky thing I found it out in time or I might have missed it. They will tell anyone anything around here I just happened to find it out by dumb luck. Tell your friends to keep an eye open for a furnished apt or something where we can stay when we are married since it's hard to find a place. I got my fingers crossed and am hoping everything turns out alright. It's going to be so wonderful to be with you for keeps and I can't tell you how happy I am to know what it won't be so much longer. They can't go fast enough to suit me. I miss you so terribly much and you are on my mind constantly and I love you with all my heart and can't tell you how happy I am

Well darling I shall close as there isn't any more I can say that won't wait till I am with you.

all my love & kisses
Lawrence

P.S. A big kiss till I get home.

X

1/1 Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308

1045 B. C. Sqdn. "O"

SAD AAF PDC

San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis

21269 Berg Rd

Detroit 19, Michigan

October 28, 1945

Sunday

My darling,

Sunday evening again
and I'm alone with you
with some of the most
beautiful music on the
radio.

Went to church this
morning and then over
to an Aunt's house for
dinner.

I was sorta planning
our wedding too and
wondered how this
sounds to you: + have

a candle light service
on a Friday or Saturday
evening and of course
a double ring service
There are so many
other things we have
to see about but I'm
too excited about
you coming home
that I can't do very
much except think
of you. The way I
feel you would think
I hadn't seen you
~~for~~ in years and it's
only been three months
but even a day seems

like a year when we
aren't together. I love you
too much to be away
from you, but it
won't be long till we
are together. Will it
dear?

"The hour of Charm" is
on now, and they are
playing some of the
world's best love songs.
We haven't one special
song, so I guess they
all belong to us, and
any of them they play
reminds me of you.

Welllllll my darling
it's getting late sooo
I shall close for tonight

All my love + kisses
Love

I.S. You kisses
my Darling
XXXXX

Lo Doves
21269 Berg Rd
Detroit 18 Mich

DETROIT, MICH.
OCT 29
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1945



Via Air Mail

Sgt Lawrence Witt 16160308
1045 B.U. Sqdn. "O"
S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.C.
San Antonio, Texas

Oct. 29, 1945

My Darling Lois.

I just finished my first day of processing and had a physical exam today. I sure improved since my first one as I have put on weight and am taller and my blood pressure is down to 118 from 138 so I guess I am back in good shape again. Tomorrow I go through records and get them all straight, pay and everything. Tonight I am going into town to see about train schedules I hope I can get a train as soon as I get my discharge and get right home to you. It seems like ages since I left you and its almost too good to be true to know that I will be with you for always before long. I cant hardly wait but guess I got to a little while yet.

I got a letter from Bowen and he just got a medical discharge and is home. I got a letter from Mary King and her husband, "Don", is still over seas in Paris and she doesnt know when he will be home. My brother is out of the army but I havent heard much from so dont know how he is making out.

I received two letters from you also which makes me very happy. It will be so grand when we wont have to write any more there are so many things that are hard to explain in a letter. Then we have a lot of plans to make I can hardly wait till we put our plans together and start working on them.

I shall close now with a lot of big kisses to hold you till I come home.

Oceans of Love & Kisses
Lawrence

P.S. An extra special kiss
for tonight
goodnight X!!!

1st Lt Lawrence Wilt 16160308
1045 B.U. Sqdn "O"
SAD AMF PDC
San Antonio, Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

October 29/45
Monday

My darling,

Another week
without you but I
hope it won't be many
more now.

I think of things
all day to write you
but when I start to
write I can't think
of anything to say
except I love you
and miss you so
very much.

Mother and I are

going shopping and then
to a show this evening.
Goodness and I haven't
been to a show for
ages (all of this week)

Golly hon, I don't
know ~~how~~ if I should
tell my boss that
you are coming ^{home} ~~in~~
not cuz he is going
to be mad if I want
a few days off. Maybe
I should just wait
and tell him at the
last minute. Think
so. I wouldn't be
quite fair though. I'll
just wait till things

are more definite, ^{the} ~~all~~
I will tell him.

It's been such a gray
day out, that I have
felt very lonesome
all day. But We are so
much luckier than
every one else in the
world that I should
not feel lonesome
for one single
minute, it's just
as you are away.
Time will take care
of that too though.

Welllllll my
darling it's time to
go now so I shall

close till tomorrow

Fill my love & kisses
for

P.S. Your kisses
darling lots & lots
xxxxxxx

R.

To David
21269 Berry Rd
Detroit 19, Mich

DETROIT, MICH.
OCT 30
11-PM
1945



Via Air
mail

T/ Sgt Lawrence
1045 B.D. Sgdr
S.A.D. A.A.F. P.D.
San Antonio Tex.

Oct 31, 1945

My Darling Lois,

I received two letters from you this morning. It's always so good to hear from you. It won't be long now though as tomorrow I start home. I got the discharge packet today and get all the rest tomorrow evening. It's a good thing I am kept pretty busy as I am so excited about getting back to you that I can't stay in one place long. My friends left last night and I am all alone now. It makes it all the better to write you. I saw Norm Phillips yesterday and he said he might be here till Friday and if so I could go with him, but I haven't heard since so I still expect to get home as I said before November third. If anything should happen that I don't make it, I will call and let you know. I got my fingers crossed in hopes that I can make the schedule all the way.

I like your idea of a candle light service very much and a double wedding, and I hope the housing situation isn't so bad that we have to rent a tent. We can find out all about it together though I am sure something will come up. I know it won't be easy though at first.

Well darling I hope you won't mind me cutting this short. I did a washing last night and I have a lot to iron when today is my busiest day. I am so excited I can't write anyhow just what I love you as ever and can't wait till we are together. I am looking forward to my greeting from you it should be an extra special kiss. So until then here is loads of love and kisses and more later,

All my Love for Always
Lawrence

P.S. another kiss

Lawrence Witt
1045 B.V. 4th St.
SMD BAF PDC
San Antonio Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Burg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Oct. 30, 1945

My Darling Lois,

I have a little more news as I checked train schedules and this is it. I get my discharge about 5 o'clock on Nov 1st and get the train out at 7 o'clock the same night. My trains run pretty close and if one is late it will mean a long delay as one place I catch a train fifteen minutes after I get in and so you see what could happen, but if everything goes right I should be home at 7:25 Nov. 3rd. The train I will come in on is # 54 Baltimore + Ohio from Cincinnati. I hope you can be there to greet me.

I went Bowling again last night and did real good for a change the scores for three games were 148-156-135 which gives an average of 146. After Bowling I checked the trains and came back to camp.

I didn't get any mail from you this morning but hope to hear from you this afternoon. Hee & miss you so much but it isn't so bad any more cause I know I will be with you for keeps before long. It's so wonderful to know that, and I am so anxious to be with you. For some reason I love you very very much!!! and I am so happy that we will be together for keeps and that you love me.

Well darling I shall cut this short as I have an appointment and I got to go through a lot of papers as I have to take a lot of stuff with me over there, and I don't want to forget anything.

All my Love & Kisses
Lawrence

P.S. A very Big Kiss
till tomorrow X!!!

4001 Lawrence St. Apt 16160305
1045 B. U. Lgdn "O"
SAD AAF PDC
San Antonio Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21269 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

Oct 31, 1945



U. S. ARMY AIR FORCES

My Darling Lois,

Well here I am again and the reason is a change in my plans. I just seen Norm Phillips and I will be going home with him. I probable wont get home quite as soon this way maybe not till Tuesday but its just as good as my trains ran to close together and if I missed one it would slow me down almost as much. I will see you as soon as I can, if I get in in the morning I will try and find your place of work and meet you there after you get through of course, or maybe on your lunch hour. Then if I get in later I will come over to your home. All this getting ready and everything is keeping me pretty busy I have so many things I have to wait till the last minute to do. I will have to get a box of good cigars to give out at the wedding before I leave here also. I dont get paid till just before my discharge so I have to wait till after I get it to buy all the things I want. I hope I dont forget anything.

I just finished doing some ironing and I have a formalism pretty soon. So only have enough time to tell you how much you mean to me and to tell you how much I treasure each letter from you. I Love you Darling with all my heart you are all I want in life and my ambition is to make you happy. I cant wait till I am with you and know what I know it will be soon makes me all the more impatient. Untill I am with you again here is a big kiss and then many more.

All my Love for Always

Lawrence
(The Wanderer)

P.S. A big extra special De Luxe
Kiss for goodnight.

~~James~~ with
1045 B. U. Sq. D.
SAD AAF PDC
San Antonio
Texas



Miss Lois Davis
21209 Berg Rd.
Detroit 19, Michigan

7 God Bless Your Little Family &

Monday
April 13, 46

Hello Will & Mrs.

I sure was pleased in getting your letter and pictures today. They are swell and I have the two best framed already. Even if Lois is reading this letter I must say she is quit beautiful. From the way Mary talks she has everything to go with it too. Do try and see Mary because she is almost as proud of you two as I am. She has mentioned several times about never seeing ^{you} of course she said it was normal because it does take time to settle down on earth again.

You told me of the title you have at work. It does sound big, but I hope you still get a chance in metallurgy again. Sometimes I wonder what I'll end up at when I return but I ~~am~~ ain't too worried because I'll be a street cleaner if necessary to be a civilian.

Talking about civilian life, I am beginning to wonder if I'll ever make it. There isn't even a good rumor lately and you know what that means in the army. I believe they try and get a guy so mad he will sign up but it will be a cold stay in hell before I do. I really won't be home before June though and I ain't slinging you a line either. They are counting service instead of points now. When I do get home it will be on service.

I am glad you & Lois have your own home

now. I am sure it must be quite nice because I know you. You sure are doing the wise thing in paying cash for everything. If possible I never intend to do anything but that myself.

It sure sounded funny hearing you say there isn't much entertainment back home. I guess you must have forgot army life already. All we do is warm the seats of the Red Cross Club and go to fourth grade pictures every three days. The least you can do is walk down the street and not have to worry because some prun of an MP will turn you into the C.O. for being out of uniform. This place is beginning to be almost as chicken as they are back in the states. It makes a guy disgusted walking in town and seeing a bunch of recruits wearing every ribbon imaginable and two or three hershey bars. The only thing they can think of is the broad they spent the night with. This place really has changed. Well I guess I have complained enough so I'll leave you rest in peace.

At the present I am working in a wire team picking up old wire through town. We are having really swell weather and I have a party good sun tan already.

Well I must end now but I hope you and Lois loads of happiness. I'll try writing again soon.

Everlasting friend,
Dor

P.S. Still have plenty of beer, but have given up drinking quite a bit. Last time I got drunk I got sick to my stomach.

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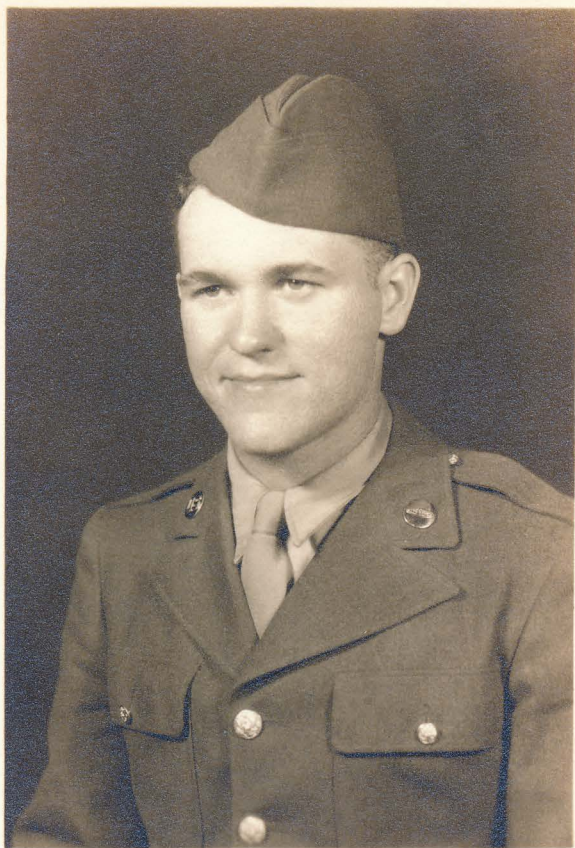


VIA AIR MAIL

Mr & Mrs Lawrence Witt

8347 Sussex

Detroit 27, Mich



Abbott

DES MOINES... IOWA

Thursday
October 11

My Dear Lawrence,

I promised you I'd write a few weeks ago, but I forgot, & besides nothing exciting happened! (You probably didn't notice anyway.)

I just returned from a heavy date tonight — with my daughter. (It's 12:00 mid-night.) We were out to dinner & a show in Redford & had a swell time! Carol liked the picture as well as I & she even held my hand & sat on my lap some of the time. But I don't believe I'll date her again as she was dull company on the way home. She went to sleep on

2) the bus & I even
had to carry her
home to bed. The
pictures were "Between
Two Women" & "Caribbean
mystery^(?)".

why I don't know
why I'm writing
you instead of my
husband. I've written
him every night, but
I haven't gotten a
letter from him in
over a week. Oh,
I ~~didn't~~ get two
telegrams — one
Saturday (my birthday):
that was birthday
greetings — & one
Monday saying that
he is in Paris
"having fun" / Don't
ask me what he
means by that
'cause I'm trying
to dope it out
myself. But he
added — "wish you
were here" so I
guess that makes

3) it O.K.

Bowen told me you're in dear old Texas / Ha / Is that the place where they have all the sand & beautiful girls? (Oops / I forgot, Lois is from Michigan.)

You probably know. Bowen is getting his discharge in about 3 weeks. Honestly, he's getting lazier all the time. He won't even help a gal with the dishes!

Hope I hear from Don soon. You know I get kind of lonesome for that guy! Please write & answer my other letter & this one, if you can remember what they say. Be good! I'm still praying you're home by Christmas. Your friend Mary.

21435 Glencoe
Detroit, 19, Mich



T/Sgt. Lawrence Hitt

16160308

1045 B.U. Sq. 0

P. S.A.D.A.A.S.T.O.C.

San Antonio, Texas

May 5, 1946

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Lawrence,

It is about time that I sat down and got a letter off to you. I've thought about you a lot and just wondered how you were coming along in your new married life. Mae and I are really happy in our little home. All my dreams from those days in barracks 7 room 11 are coming true. It seems funny how much we seen of each othe and how much we talked about our mutual dreams that now we are so far divided. Time and distance sure are great dividers. I often think of some of those conversations we used to have and would really like to try them again.

Well what are you doing to occupy your time now, Witt? Working ?? I'm still working at good old Sears Roebuck but I've signed up for Summer school at Augsburg college here in Mpls. So on June 26th ~~1/8~~ I'll either go on part time there or be through with the place I haven't

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heard as yet if any part time work will be available. But I presume that I will need some extra dough to augment the government check. Anyhow I'm not going to worry about that until the time comes. I intend to go right through with the course which will probably take about 2 more years. I'm going in for teaching and majoring in Social Sciences. It's a good little school and I'm sure I won't find it too hard to go back. At Sears I've been doing some old dull warehouse work and I really don't think I'm cut out for that type work the rest of my life. You ought to know that Witt.

I do get two weeks vacation with pay from Sears so I want to stay long enough to get that so I'm taking the first two weeks in June.. We have a cottage reserved by a lake already. How we look forward to that.

I've really gotten in the groove here in our church too. I have a Sunday School class now

(I've had it since my return)

*The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous
man availeth much. James 5:16*

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I really enjoy that work but as always I have my ideas on how it should be run.

I sure wish you kids would drop over Minnesota way. It would be great meeting your wife and having you meet mine. Any how Witt bear that in mind and if you can and when let me know. So long now and drop me a line soon.

Your friend,

Andy

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Andy". The signature is written in dark ink and has a large, sweeping loop at the end.

Believe it or not I do type. Even if every other word contains an error. FGA

FG Anderson
3040 21st Ave.
Minneapolis, Minn.



Mr. Lawrence Witt

21269 Berg Road

Detroit 19 Michigan

12:70 AM
NOON TO 3 PM

17 July 1990

Hi Larry,

Thanks for the pictures--Naw I've got the one with Our Baby on it. I didn't have the one with Tucker or the one with the tar paper shacks in the background.

I stayed in the Air Force till May 1, 1949 (26½ years)--Had a good career--Such things as Atom Bomb tests in the Pacific to the Korean War -- was in Korea when the war started. Stayed on flying status till 1957, Then I became a Microwave Specialist with tours to many exotic places, like Greenland, Saudi Arabia, Lots of mountain top experience... I did have some good tours also--well enough of that.

Thanks for all the dates, I couldn't recall most of them (senile I guess).. I remember just after we were hit, the first person I saw was Greenwood. He came back to the radio room, He had nothing on but his bunny suit and it was smoking, it was hard to hear anything with all the noise from the open radio hatch, engine noise and the crackling of the fire--sounded like any old wood fire, but louder. As you must recall the spare chute had already been popped earlier that morning..He didn't have a harness on anyway. He couldn't seem to hear me or communicate so I just headed for the back door--I did get hit by what must have been a peice of flack from a 20 mm, I heard it pop some where between you and I, I beleive it hit the right waist gun mount,(didn't know I had been hit till on the way down I found I couldn't open my right eye,was hit in the eye brow) Maisac was already back at the door when I got there. I'm Not sure who pulled the hinge pins,,I think I did, He was working on the latch The door would not move. Then Loyd made the day , he pounced on that door with both feet and went right through it.. I think I went out next, It was hard getting out the door with Greenwood holding on--This had to have happend before you bailed out because I never saw Tucker!!! This was all vague to me then and it has become more so over the years.. Things happend so fast it was very hard to follow.

I didn't know any one else had survived till I met you guys At 4B, That was the happiest day of my,life to know that some one else made it.

I felt real bad about Greenwood for a long time-- I recall when we were in free fall I felt hïs hand reach for the rip cord-- I pushed it away and pulled the rip cord a few seconds later, when he flipped off was when my leg was damaged- well enough of that.

To make this shorter, I was carried to a Luft Waffe base, Then to a local hospital, then to Homart (Du Lag Luft), to Ober Mass Felt (hosp) To Meinigham (hosp), From there to 4B where I met you guys-- From there by train to 17B Nurenberg, from there we walked all the way to Mooseberg. There we were liberated by Pattons tanks. Four of us joined up with the tank outfit going into Munich, we took Freising, found a weal stocked farm and lived there for a month or so fatening up. Had a good time but got bored (lived mighty high on the hog!!).. Caught a flight out of a place called Straubing (not far from Bruxx, Cz----) To Le Harve, Camp Lucky Strike.. I figured I might just make the best of it, went AWOL for a while.. spent 10 lovely days in Paris... Finaly caught a boat back (The Gen. Black, what a bucket of bolts) Beleive it or not I did not have enough points to get out, got discharged in Nov. also.

Since I got out of the AF I have worked most of the time. First job, "salesman at Sears". Second; Managed a building supply store, third; Line Cheif for a commuter airline, Forth; Cable technician for TV cable company, Fifth; Engineer at a local TV station,, Liked that , stayed at it for over six years. When ever I get bored I quit and do something else.. At present I'm fully retired.

It was real nice hearing from you and it did help to clear up a few pointss..I could not find Usinzen on my map either, I know it's near Frankfort, I figure that histotian Bob must know? He has all the records.

I am enclosing some info that may be of interest to you about 4B. My regards to the rest of your family .. Hope Lois and you are doing alright..

REGARDS
Jim

PS. MY TYPING IS BAD BUT MY WRITING IS WORSE !!!

May 8, 2001

Dear Larry and Jo:

Thank you for sending me the account of our last mission. Also, I would like to thank your daughter for her research work in the University of Michigan Library. I do appreciate her interest in the part we played in World War II.

My daughter teaches in a private school in Arkansas. Since they were studying World War II recently, she asked me to talk to her history and civics classes. The school principal sat in on one of my talks and asked me to talk again to the entire student body of high school and junior high classes. I had talked several years ago to the history classes of a private school in Monroe. This is not what I feel comfortable doing but I didn't want to disappoint my daughter.

Today is May 8, 2001. I just wonder if you remember May 8, 1944?

I'm ok except for that old nemesis Arthritis. I did have a bout with bronchitis in March but why complain? After all I'm 86!

Spring brings on yard and lawn work, most of which I enjoy, but falling leaves from a live oak and a magnolia from March through June I despise.

Thank you again for the newspaper article and best wishes for a happy and joyful summer.

Always,

Dewitt



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