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Letter
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To
T/3 FRANCIS J. SHIELDS
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A.P.O. 655
c/o POSTMASTER NY NY

M.G. Doyle
(Sender's name)

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(Sender's address)

WEDNESDAY

JULY 25, 1945
(Date)

My DEAREST FRANK,

YEP, IT'S ME AGAIN! I JUST DECIDED THAT IT'S ABOUT TIME I WROTE YOU ANOTHER V*MAIL. HAVE THEY BEEN GETTING TO YOU ANY QUICKER THAN THE OTHERS? IF THEY'RE NOT, I MIGHT AS WELL STICK TO THE SWEET SMELLING STATIONERY YOU LIKE.

LAST NIGHT WAS TUESDAY NIGHT AND AS USUAL THE 'NEICES ASS'N.' HAD ITS WEEKLY MEETING. AFTER SUPPER WE ALL WENT OVER TO BAY PARKWAY AND 65th ST. IN ALICE'S CAR LOOKING FOR AN ELECTRIC IRON FOR SALLY'S HUSBAND, DAN. HE'S BEEN MOVED FROM A NICE COMFORTABLE AND CONVENIENT OFFICE IN HAWAII TO LORD KNOWS WHAT KIND OF A TENT ON GUAM, SO HE NO LONGER HAS ALL THE COMFORTS OF HOME. HE WROTE AND ASKED SAL TO PICK UP AN IRON FOR HIM SO THAT HE COULD MAINTAIN HIS DIGNITY AS A MAJOR AND NOT HAVE TO GO AROUND LOOKING LIKE A WELL USED WASH BOARD. AT ANY RATE, WE DIDN'T SUCCEED IN FINDING ONE FOR HIM. AS A MATTER OF FACT WE COULDN'T FIND THE STORE UNTIL WE'D PASSED IT TWO OR THREE TIMES. -HOWEVER WE DID COME ACROSS AN ANTIQUE STORE THAT HAD A BEAUTIFUL PAIR OF FIGURINES IN THE WINDOW. ALICE WAS JUST ABOUT TO SAY "I'LL BET THAT COSTS A GOOD 50 BUCKS!" WHEN THE OLD WOMAN WHO COULD HARDLY SPEAK ENGLISH TOLD US THAT THE PRICE WAS \$195! AND SHE SAID IT WITHOUT BATTING AN EYELASH. YOU'D THINK SHE WAS TELLING YOU THEY WERE THREE FOR A DOLLAR! NEEDLESS TO SAY WE WERE SPEECHLESS WITH AMAZEMENT AT FINDING SUCH VALUABLE (?) WARES ON BAY PARKWAY.

AFTER THAT EXPERIENCE WE TROTTED BACK TO THE CAR, LOOKING NEITHER THIS WAY NOR THAT, FOR FEAR THAT WE MIGHT FIND OURSELVES ONCE AGAIN NON-PLUSSED. ONCE A WEEK IS ENOUGH. ALTHOUGH, I SUPPOSE THAT IF WE WERE REALLY OUT TO BUY SOMETHING LIKE THAT AND REALLY WORKED AT "JEWING" HER DOWN, WE PROBABLY WOULD HAVE SETTLED AT A FIGURE MORE CLOSE TO WHAT ALICE THOUGHT THE PRICE WOULD BE.

WHEN WE GOT HOME FROM THE SHOPPING TOUR, STEVE GOT BUSY AND PUT HIS APPLE SAUCE ON TO BOIL AND FROM THEN ON EVERYTHING WENT ACCORDING TO ROUTINE. HE AND ANN AND SALLY AND ALICE HAD THEIR USUAL BRIDGE GAME WITH STEVE CONSTANTLY OVER-BIDDING AND TELLING ANNIE SHE PLAYED LIKE A BLUE-FISH BECAUSE HE KEPT GOING DOWN EVERY TIME HE WON THE BID. BUT THAT'S NOT UNUSUAL, THAT'S THE WAY IT ALWAYS GOES.

SO FAR HIS VICTORY GARDEN HASN'T BEEN DOING SO WELL. THE TOMATO PLANTS HAVE A FEW BLOSSOMS BUT I GUESS THE RAIN WE'VE BEEN HAVING HAS SLOWED EVERYTHING UP. HE HAD LOADS OF RADISHES THOUGH. THEY MUST THRIVE ON RAIN.

WELL, HON THIS LETTER ISN'T MUCH MORE THAN A RPORT OF 999'S DOINGS, IS IT. I'LL HAV TO CLOSE NOW, OR I'LL HAVE NO ROOM LEFT TO SEND

V ... - MAIL

*Almy Love & K's
Peggy*

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