



"WITH THE COLORS"



Sunday, March 3, '18.

Dear Marie,

The fruit cake came this morning with your letter. Gee, but it sure tasted good although it was a little fresh to cut. Sheridan, the one who took Stock's place, got the first piece and he said "Gosh, Bassett's cakes are getting better and better." I am not kidding you either for "them's my sentiments," too. So you see Blanche is going to have to go some to



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beat your cooking,
according to the
impartial verdict
of those that help
eat "Basset's cakes".
I will send you
further instructions by
radio.

I got the book O.K. and
while I don't sing and
don't care much about
singing. I am going
to keep it for the
fellows at the "Y" to use.
Marie you are doing
everything for me
that I can think of
and I will always
remember what I owe
you too.



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The way in which you answered the questions about Rockford made me feel a great deal better - for I have often thought of it. Don't think for a minute that you have ever offended me in the slightest way. I do think it was wrong for me to kiss you when we said goodbye. Thanksgiving for your sake - because you know I can't always call you my little girl. Things like that make me love you all the more Marie, but I must think ahead a few years.



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If you don't understand
here perfectly please
say so.

I am mighty glad
that you have broken
that habit and to say
I am more proud of you
hardly tells it all. I
will send the hair in
a few weeks.

I wouldn't advise
you to even think of
getting a rifle at all.
My rifle cost me \$16.⁰⁰
The Marble tang peep
sight cost \$3.00 extra.

And an extra snap-
shooters disc for this
sight cost 50¢ more so
by the time I was



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all set for action, the gun cost about \$20.00. Of course fairly good guns can be bought much cheaper but I wouldn't even think of getting one at any price. Forget it. As for care, the small .22 cal. bore requires more careful cleaning than any other rifle.

One of our men was just recently discharged because of nervousness. He just left for his home in Baltimore, Maryland, last week.

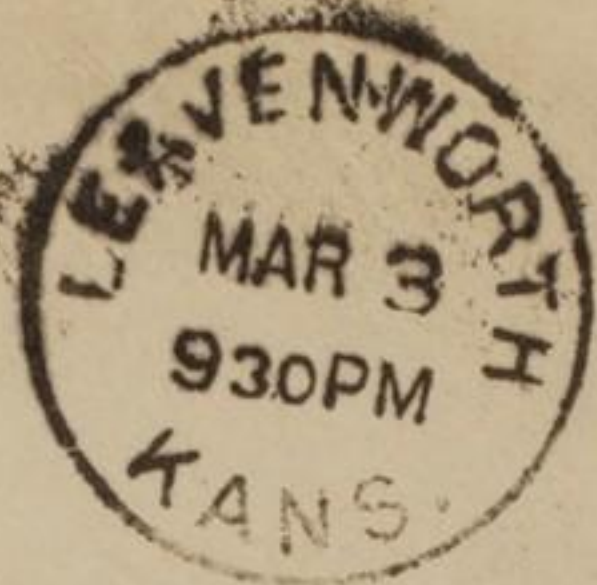
Well I will send that radiogram later. F.

Please excuse this
awful attempt at writing
I'll surely do better
next time.



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