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Mother

Personal.

Don't worry about me
and the pass.

Why does Mrs. Shaw
tell Marie to write "just
chummy letters." Also
just what do you mean by
saying "she's just a
good comrade, but not
the right comrade that
may come some time ----".

Please don't misunderstand
me. There is not a single
girl in the world that is
better in any way than
Marie according to my
way of judging girls.

So you can bet your
all that if I ever do



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marry, it will be Marie,
or no other at all.

Probably you folks
at home think I don't
know a helwa lot about
war, girls, and human
nature in general but
don't forget that the guy
on the sidelines (apparently)
may not be altogether
short sighted — very likely
has a pretty good note book
between the ears.

However, I can't be worried
about ~~what~~ that.

But put this down for
future reference — that
according to my standards
Marie is the finest girl in
every way, and I would



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give everything to make
her the happiest in
the world. I know her
just a little better than
you may suspect, and
don't get the idea that
I am turning loose
any "bunk of a busy brain".
So just believe me
when I say that Marie
has "wrapped herself
around my heart" and
is there to stay. I couldn't
even imagine a girl that
would appeal to me
more than little Marie does
and that's putting it pretty
strong for I got a pretty healthy
imagination.
Anyone that wants

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my whole-hearted thanks
I will do everything possible
to help her in any way they
can.

Now please don't think
that I misunderstand you.

You thought that I
meant I might find a
girl, later, that I would
care more for than Marie.

So don't get the idea
that I think you have said
the slightest thing against
Marie, for I know you
like her nearly as well as
I do if it were possible.

With love,
Forrest.

HELP YOUR COUNTRY BY SAVING. WRITE ON BOTH SIDES OF THIS PAPER.

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