

Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1942

Dear George.

I guess I had to get sick to find enough time to catch up with my correspondence. Yes, I finally got sick enough to request a day off. However, don't worry about it. I just had a stiff back. After lying in bed all morning, I feel much now, and expect to resume my duties again tomorrow.

Sam dropped in to see me Wednesday. He stayed about 15 minutes, and very little; in fact nothing of any importance was said. It was good however, seeing someone from home.

Well, at last I've definite ~~figures~~ figures about my furlough. I am to leave here the 29<sup>th</sup> (P.M.) of this month. As this is two days before pay day, you ~~can~~ can



Dear Sir,  
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the matter of the  
of the same. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.  
I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,  
J. B. Smith



well understand that I shall not have much money. I am therefore sending you \$15 more, which will leave me about \$40, \$5 of which is going for a new pair of pants that one of the lieutenants is obtaining through the Quartermaster for me to day. I shall have to have cleaning and pressing done before going on furlough, so will need \$2 or \$3 for that.

However, with what I've sent home, I would like you to see to it that I get about \$25 on or about January 28<sup>th</sup>. Please don't send money order or check. Either wise, or send cash by registered mail. The latter is most convenient. But send enough in advance to make sure that I have it on time.

George. when I get home,





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I'm going to want \$50 to knock  
around with. So please don't act  
surprised when I ask you for  
same. When I return ~~here~~ back  
from my furlough, I'll be paid.  
I'll send \$50 home then.

I hope we won't have  
any discrepancies about all this. I  
don't expect to spend all that money  
at home; but I want it just in  
case.

I suppose things could be  
worse; but I doubt it. It's been  
raining for three consecutive days,  
and everyone is sick.

In fact, there's a cold  
epidemic down here. Every night we  
put up cubicles before retiring. I  
must have gotten a cold in my back;  
for this morning I couldn't move it.



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But now, late afternoon, I feel much better, and feel like a gold brick.

Training down here is absolutely out of this world. The men are learning everything and nothing. I give them another month, and I'll wager half of them go A.W.O.L. It's really a crime that these high officers are so totally ignorant.

I myself, am working rather hard, and welcome today's rest considerably.

Please don't mention my being ill to Mom or Pop. I'll be well before you receive this letter.

Some one just came in and volunteered to get a \$5 money order for me this afternoon, so I'll enclose same in this letter.

Kindly don't forget to



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the 28<sup>th</sup> of this month. I won't have  
cash here unless you get it down  
here.

Love and best wishes to  
Flo & Jim, who I expect are  
fine and dandy. -

With a warm handshake in mind -

Bob



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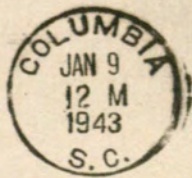
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