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My Darling:-

While I have a few minutes time this morning I am going to write to you. It may be a very short letter as I expect a call at any time. The papers have just come and the news fills us all with joy as I know it does you, for the imminence of an Allied Peace seems near and the downfall of Germany assured.

Now let your prayers be directed to the leaders of the Allied Governments, that their wisdom and justice may properly administer to Germany the proper punishment for her crimes.

It is a wonderful time but a crucial one. God knows how I long for Peace, but for a Peace that will forever prevent a repetition of the terrible cataclysm the world has passed

through during the past four years.  
It will be difficult to forestall  
Germany's attempts to deceive but  
we all place great confidence  
in the leaders who have accomplished  
such wonderful things in the past.  
The next few weeks are going to  
be weeks we will never forget  
dear girl and I now feel convinced  
that the end is in sight. Oh!  
what a blessing it will be to  
the whole world to be rid of  
the terrible incubus of this  
senseless war!

I have been most fortunate  
the last day or two in receiving  
several letters but none of which  
give any news regarding the box  
I sent to you. I should hate to  
think it is lost. I am not going  
on leave even if you want me  
to, for reasons I gave you in

my letter yesterday. It is foolish to spend the money on a good time.

Well dearest, it is an awfully short letter but can't be helped. I have recieved my call and must go. I will write again tomorrow and possible again today. I love you dearest, with all my heart. I love you. With loads of love to you and my dear kiddies I am your loving husband.

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