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Dear "Aggie"

I don't have much to say but will try to answer your letters from last wk [week]. It is strictly dull around here not much to do I had a lousy weekend slept most of the time, went to a couple shows and bowled after eating a chicken dinner at the club yes. [yesterday] evening.

We were kept pretty busy packing people last wk [week] had quite a few jobs to bad I am not one of the lucky ones going home. I guess my time is coming although it is still quite a ways in the future. Do you know that in 6 more days I will be gone from home 1 year? Looking at the time altogether [sic] it [page 2] really doesn't seem that long, day by day thou [sic] it seems much longer. I got my pictures back will send them along, the ones of the fire didn't turn out any good as I had the camera set wrong. Yes I remember Pauline and Edwin. I ought to as I worked with him on your Pops barn remember how you used to hate me then? Wouldn't even come near me when you came in from school. Sure would like to see Frank at first I didn't like him as it seemed to me he was cutting Bobs grass (as we say here in germany) but when I got to know him better I thought he was a swell guy. Tell Rosetta I recon [sic] I will have to change Doc's [doctors] if she is still working for Dr Miller when I come home wouldn't want her to work on me. [page 3] Not that I don't think she is allright [sic] for the job but ___...

Don't you think often telling me 5 times that dear old Butterball signed your letter Agnes Lentz I should know about it. I like the way you signed your last letter I received (Aggie Lentz) only it looks like I am stuck with Aggie Tinder. Lentz sounds much better. I believe you were a bit nasty in your last letter so I am afraid you are going to get one right back. As for the figure of speech (I am not your slave but your wife) isn't that a sweet statement? Well I tell you I am awful sorry if I ever said anything to that effect. As for smoking or anything else you might [page 4] want to do go ahead do as you dam please it won't make to much difference with me. All I hear in a lot of your letters is about how bad I am about drinking. Just how do you know I drink so much? For your information I don't even have to tell you about it if I didn't want to and further I haven't drank any for quite some time now. So you are cold-natured I got along 22 years without it another year and a half in the Army as of yet I haven't found any woman that was irresistable [irresistible] so I really believe I can be just as cold as the next person. Now as to your weight there isn't any law saying I cain't wish my wife were not fat if it will make you any happier get as heavy as you like, I won't worry you [page 5] in the future about it. About dear sweet Herman you can sleep with him if you like personally I cain't see were [where] he is better than any other dog. Baby you made me mad as hell when you stated I thought you were my slave. In my letters I like to joke with you and you know it, I hardly look at that as a joke it isn't a bit funny to me. I thought Ferb your Pop or my Pop would know how to operate the cuckoo have you ask them? I also thought there were some directions with the clock. I could describe it only it would be pretty hard to do it is really quite simple. Take the weights hook them on the chains and then pull them up to the clock letting the remaining chains hang toward the floor [drawn picture of clock] Not much of an artist huh? This is how it should look when it is fully wound.

[page 6] We are having a March-of-Dimes party this coming Sat [Saturday] night should be a real wing-ding. Starting a wk [week] from today I am taking another 7 day furlough haven't planned anywhere to go only want to get out of a command inspection and get away from the grind once more before Volpe leaves. Probally [sic] go see Don and Bill for 2 or 3 days. I doubt if I write either that way you won't have to worry about getting one of my awful letters. I think I have said enough so will sign off for this time. Hope all are okay and tell all hello for me.

As Ever

[Notes added by transcriber]



Jr Tinder

If you enjoy these letters I think I can write as many as you want.

P.S. I forgot to mention I didn't understand the latest jive talk. Sounded silly to me.

P.S.S. I still ain't changing diapers and I think my mother is going to get suprised [surprised] on the kids angle.