

From Harry S. Truman to Bess W. Truman, July 22, 1930

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Ft. Riley, Kans.

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Dear Sweetheart and Margie:

The day has been fine and ended perfectly-your letter came just before dinner. You say it has been a week from Sunday to Thursday. I say it's been a month and getting a week longer every day. I overslept this morning, which kept it from being quite so long. I usually get up at five-thirty and beat everyone to the shower and shaving trough; today I didn't arise until the whistle blew. I have three majors whom I have to keep busy and it makes my head go around to do it. They are smart and well-informed men. I have them studying now on an order for tomorrow, but tomorrow I'll have to give them another

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for the next day.

If we have another war, I am going to arrange to take my honey and my baby along. It is a wonderful thing how absolutely dependent a man can become. I don't see how I got along until I was thirty-four without you. Just think of all the wasted years that could have been pleasantly and profitably spent. I might even have been a financial success if I'd started with you sooner.

Went out and watched my former buck private fire his Battery. He's a good Battery commander in the 128th F.A., Missouri National Guard. He writes his wife every day too. You see I even trained them right in every respect. Kiss my baby and a regular one to my sweetheart from hers

Harry

[P.S.]

The lense and the collars came needed [MS. illegible] awfully.