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Hi darling -

How's everything? Still got your chin up, I hope. We're all just fine and dandy. The kids are getting so big. Just think Johnny is almost 4 months old already. Isn't our family increasing, tho? And as if 3 kids aren't enough to keep me busy, we're about to acquire 2 dogs. In fact, we already have one of them. Her name is Peggy and she is awfully friendly and good with children.

We're so busy these days - what with our garden and painting and cleaning up the house. Spring cleaning, you know. The time of year when all husbands want to leave home. Sometimes I think the wives do too. I bought a new bedroom set for the children the other day - those cute bunk-bed outfits. Bobby is so thrilled over it - especially since we've promised him the upper bunk.

I heard from Dave a day or so

ago. He hopes to get a leave in a few weeks so he can come home for a visit. We haven't seen him since he enlisted last October.

I haven't had a letter from the folks in Okla. for a while but have heard from Aunt Lucia and everyone was just fine.

Well, honey, I think I'll close now as Claude wants to add a few lines. Write to us if you possibly can.

Love & Kisses from us all.
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Gin

Hi Smith ol' kid.

How are you, well and in good spirits I hope. Keep the ol' chin up. We're all thinking of you and wishing you were home here with us, but I guess we can't have everything, but maybe it won't be so long before you will be with us again.

Well Smith, I guess Gin has told you I have a new job, just trying to do my bit toward that day when all this mess is over.

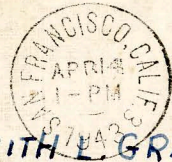
When you get back your going to be mobbed by a crowd of kids yelling Uncle Smith, we're going to have a mob by the way we're going, Doris & Keith have two, us with three.

Well Smith I don't know ~~was~~ what else to say so will close wishing you all the luck in the world. and keep your chin up. We'll be seeing you. — Claude

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