Dear EJ:

When I don't receive mail from you regularly, as is the case now and then, I don't worry about it because the mail situation over here is so uncertain, irregular and unpredictable. Normally, air mail gets here within 11-12 days. But because of delays after it gets into the theatre, it takes an additional 4 to 10 days to get into our hands. For days at a time, sometimes seven in a row, our mail clerk tries regularly to the APO but returns empty handed. We
Dearest Elz: -

   When I don’t receive mail from
you regularly, as is the case now
and then, I don’t worry about it
because the mail situation over
here is so uncertain, irregular and
undependable. Normally, air mail
gets here within 11-days. But because
of delays after it gets into the
theatre, it takes an additional
4 to ten days to get into our
hands. For days at a time, some-
times seven in a row, our mail
clerk treks regularly to the APO
but returns empty handed. One
day he came back with just one letter... for a corporal. This is a normal situation over here.

Politics are not without influence even in the army. I have seen many instances of it. It can be used for one in the army, but rarely by one within it. So when I call on you to go to D.C. to attend a few chores for me, I had that in mind. You can do much to help me if you can find time to apply yourself. I know it won’t be an easy thing to do—but will you do it?

I was at 8th Army HQ the other day in TAEAU. I inquired
day he came back with just one letter... for a Corporal. This is a normal situation over here.

Politics are not without influence even in the army. I have seen many instances of it. It can be used for one in the army but rarely by one within it. So when I call on you to go to D.C. to attend a few chores for me, I had that in mind. You can do much to help me if you can find time to apply yourself. I know it won’t be an easy thing to do – but will you do it?

I was at 8th Army HQ the other day in TAEGU. I inquired
about the possibility of getting a 30-day leave to the States. Only under conditions of extreme hardship, I was told. I mentioned the hard time you were having with the rental situation. They told me to turn my troubles over to a lawyer. I answered, I had instructed you to turn the matter over to the area rent control office. They said that was the best procedure...

... and added that if the situation was urgent, I should urge you to contact the local Red Cross over there to check into the situation. If they determine it necessary for my presence, they will contact the War Dept which will have
3/

about the possibility of getting
a 30-day leave to the States.
Only under conditions of extreme
hardship, I was told. I mentioned
the hard time you were having with
the rental situation. They told me
to turn my troubles over to a
lawyer. I answered I had instructed
you to turn the matter over to the
area rent control office. They said
that was the best procedure....
... and added that if the situation
was urgent, I should urge you to
contact the local Red Cross over
there to check into the situation.
If they determine it necessary
for my presence, they will contact
the War Dept which will have
me on my way back there within a few days. Well there it is; if you can convince the local folks that my father's presence is necessary it'll be only too happy to spend a few days at home with you and the children. I'd like to buy that house, too, up in Onset. Have you heard from them? Jabez Barrett and St. Huns are still up there at Camp Edwards, I have recently learned. Send me those three tweezers. What about the camera? Did you get the Money Orders and the Checks? I have not had a statement from the bank. Did you deposit those checks? If not you must do so immediately before a new—
me on my way back there within
a few days. Well there it is; if
you can convince the local folks
that my folks presence is necessary
I’ll be only too happy to spend
a few days at home with you and
the children. I’d like to buy
that house, too, up in Onset. Have
you heard from them? Lt Barrett and
Lt. Hurns are still up there at Camp
Edwards, I have recently learned.

Send me those three tweezers.

What about the camera? Did
you get the Money Orders and the
checks. I have not had a statement
from the bank. Did you deposit
those checks? If not you must
do so immediately before a new
Fiscal year balance holds up payment.

I think I sent you that letter from Granville. No, I didn't. I just looked through the old letters and found it. Am enclosing it. Never knew he was at the farm. No one ever wrote me about it.... not even you. Please do a little better job of keeping me informed about my relatives. I don't have time to write to them. You are the only person I take time out to write.

Love,
Hubby

[Signature]
fiscal year balance holds up payment.

I think I sent you that letter from Granville. No I didn’t, I just looked thru the old letters and found it. Am enclosing it. Never knew he was at the farm. No one ever wrote me about it.... not even you.

Please do a better job of keeping me informed about my relatives. I don’t have time to write to them.

You are the only person I take time out to write.

Love

Hubby

Ivorey Cobb