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Miss Mary Massullo  
19 S. Jackson St.  
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My dear sweetheart Mary  
Tonight I received your letter  
of 25 very glad to hear you  
are in best health so far  
I feel the same.

Well sweetheart  
you says I didn't say if  
I got your Christmas cards  
sure I did I got one from  
Gilda and one from my love  
one from Mr. and Mrs. Massullo.  
I did tell you last week  
and I thank you very  
much because you says  
you like the first Christ  
cards I send to you best.  
I like your cards better  
it's very nice just like  
you sweetheart.

Bye the way sweet you  
says if you going to Chicago  
I get sore at you its  
like this if you go with  
your father I don't care  
much but if you going  
alone I really get sore  
Thank you letter not  
write to me anymore that's  
the way I feel about?

Well sweetheart  
I feel very happy the  
way you talk you says  
you really love me well  
that's the way I feel about  
more than you thank  
Bye the way sweet you  
says I says to you  
you are mine well

I says that because  
won't be long you  
going be my little wife  
I can see the day I  
hope this war will over  
soon than if God will  
give us a good health  
we can get married oh boy  
I can't really wait for  
the day can't you sweet  
anyway sweetheart very glad  
you say you be waiting  
for me well I hope so.  
Anyway Mary you want  
to know what did I do  
all day Christmas well  
you think I went at  
Alexandria but if you want  
to know much I been sick

I had bad cold I stay  
Right in this tent and  
I still got cold and you  
think I go out every  
night but we can't go out  
anymore if we do go out  
we got walk 8 miles to  
get but but I never  
go out since I came back  
on furlough I went out  
once to buy your gift and  
Rita gift and I don't  
care about to go any place.

Also you says you  
went to see my brother  
and they says I didn't  
send anything to her but  
I did send her a gift  
but I think they didn't

Get yet may be they  
says lie because I  
send the gift about two  
weeks ago anyway I wrote  
to them to let me know  
if they got that yet if they  
didn't I'm going see  
about

Mary don't send  
me any stick gum because  
we can buy much as I want  
to we get lots gum  
if you want some I send  
to you. You can sell some too

Also I don't  
have much more to  
say wishing you best  
luck.

Your love  
Pete C.

Love Mary M.  
very much with  
all my hearts

Solong now sweetheart

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I hope you write soon  
and be good girl  
solong and good luck  
always your Pete C.

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P.S. I thank you very much  
for them cigarettes you send  
to me they taste very nice.