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MY DARLING,

OUR WAITING APPEARS TO BE AT AN END. ON THE RADIO YESTERDAY IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT THOUSANDS OF LETTERS AND POSTCARDS FROM P.O.W. IN JAPANESE HANDS HAD ARRIVED IN THIS COUNTRY. PERHAPS NEXT WEEK WILL SEE ME POURING OVER YOUR DEAR HANDWRITING AFTER AN ENDLESS WAIT OF 18 MONTHS! I FEEL AS EXCITED AS IF YOU WERE ARRIVING HOME YOURSELF NEXT WEEK - WOULD TO GOD, IT WERE SO. HOW I LONG TO HEAR HOW YOU ARE AND WHAT HAS BECOME OF YOU THIS PAST 1 1/2 YEARS. I HAVE LOVED YOU MOVIE MOVIE EACH DAY UNTIL TO-DAY MY HEART IS JUST BURSTING WITH MY LOVE. I LOVE YOU DEAREST ONE. THERE HAS NEVER BEEN ANYONE BUT YOU IN MY HEART. THERE YOU, AND YOU ALONE, SHALL REMAIN, FOR AYE. I HAVE LEARNT, STRANGELY ENOUGH TO DEPEND UPON YOU AS UPON THE AIR I BREATHE. WHEN THINGS GO WRONG I JUST SAY TO MYSELF "WELL FRANK LOVES ME" AND NOTHING ELSE SEEMS TO COUNT.

TODAY I YIPPED OUT AN OLD SURPLICE OF FELIX'S ALREADY BOY DAYS. I HAVE PLANNED TO HAVE IT (PURE LINEN) EMBROIDERED

with IRISH LACE TO FORM A LUNCHEON SET.
LINEN IS SUCH A PRECIOUS COMMODITY, THESE
DAYS I AM VERY LUCKY TO HAVE THESE SCRAPS.

I HEAR DR WYNNE, AT FOOT OF SPRINGFIELD
RD. IS SELLING HIS PRACTICE AND GOING INTO
THE SERVICES. MY HOLIDAYS ARE NOW COMPLETE
ON JULY 20th I GO OFF TO K. KEEL FOR A 3 DAY
RETREAT. ON MONDAY 26th I SET OUT BY
TRAIN FOR DUBLIN WITH MY BIKE. AFTER 9
DAYS CYCLING THROUGH WICKLOW'S BEAUTIES
I SHALL FINISH UP IN BAGINASTOWN FOR
A FEW DAYS WITH HUNTIE & UNCLE. IN
SEPTEMBER (1st I THINK) I RETURN TO LORETO.

TOGETHER MY OWN DARLING - OF OUR HOME,
OUR HAPPINESS AND IF IT IS GODS WILL, OUR
CHILDREN AND YOU SHALL NEVER BE LONELY
OR DOWNHEARTED. PLAN FOR US BOTH. PRAY
FOR US BOTH. I AM DOING THE SAME HERE. I AM
LONELY FOR YOU AND YOUR LOVE BECAUSE YOU
ARE DEARER TO ME THAN ALL THE WORLD

I SPENT LAST TUESDAY WITH FELIX & MONA
GOING DOWN AFTER WORK ON ~~FRIDAY~~ ^{MONDAY} T AND RETURNING
WEDNESDAY. SHEILA IS THE BELLE OF ALL BALLYNAHON
FELIX HASN'T TIME TO BREATHE. GERRY MURPHY IS
DOING VERY WELL IN KILLOUGH

I HAVE GOT A VERY NICE NEW COAT - COUNTRY
LIFE TYPE - GOD BLESS YOU MY OWN DARLING
BLESSED OLIVER PLUNKETT PRAY
FOR YOU EVER YOUR OWN LOVING EILEEN X