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CARK,
NORTH LANCASHIRE.

16/7/43

Dearest,

I'm writing now to try & give you a little idea of how grateful I am that I've been married to you for two years. It's impossible to put into words all I feel. I thought I was in love with you two years ago, but the love I had then is as nothing compared with what I feel now. I am quite certain that no one could have a better wife or a truer companion than I've got, & I can't tell you, darling, how grateful I am.

I've been to Lancaster today to try & get you some silk stockings, but I wasn't able to manage it, & I was told

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that there weren't any left now, certainly not in Lancaster. Apart from stockings there was nothing I could find that was anywhere near good enough for you, so I send you my love instead.

I have been able to save some chocolate from my ration & I am sending with it this Perspex ring. I haven't finished the ring, as you can see, but I wanted to check up on the size before I finish it off. Perhaps you could let me know if it's too small or otherwise, & then I'll finish it

This anniversary won't be as good as last time, will it, when we were at Ossington. Still it's one year nearer to the time when

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we shall be able to be together always. May it come soon; I sometimes feel as though I couldn't wait.

Yet I've no right to grumble. One of our Waaf officers was married for four days before her husband was posted overseas - three years ago.

Social gossip: The C.F.I. has got a son, born a week or two early. The Flying Wing Adj is getting married in Ireland to a pilot from Dumfries. It's been quite funny to see how excited she's been the last few days.

That's all for now, but once again, thank you for

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the past two years.

all my love, darling,

Harold.

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