



To my own Best Bet.

I have chewed my pencil and
started a dozen times — each time
it escapes me and will not go into words.
The real gift is you Bet darling — you
are my gift from the gods. This little slip of
paper — for some foolish man made reason
will allow you to buy a few things to
delight your heart — or to keep you warm —
do whichever you wish. It is my love that
gives it — but the love is inexhaustible and the
slips of paper are not. I don't feel afraid of



any world crisis so long as I
 have my blessed girls to stand beside - but
 here again I am too deep for words - keep
 room for me Best darling -
 I need your love - ever & always
 Dad

October 20 - 1941.

[Faint, mostly illegible handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]