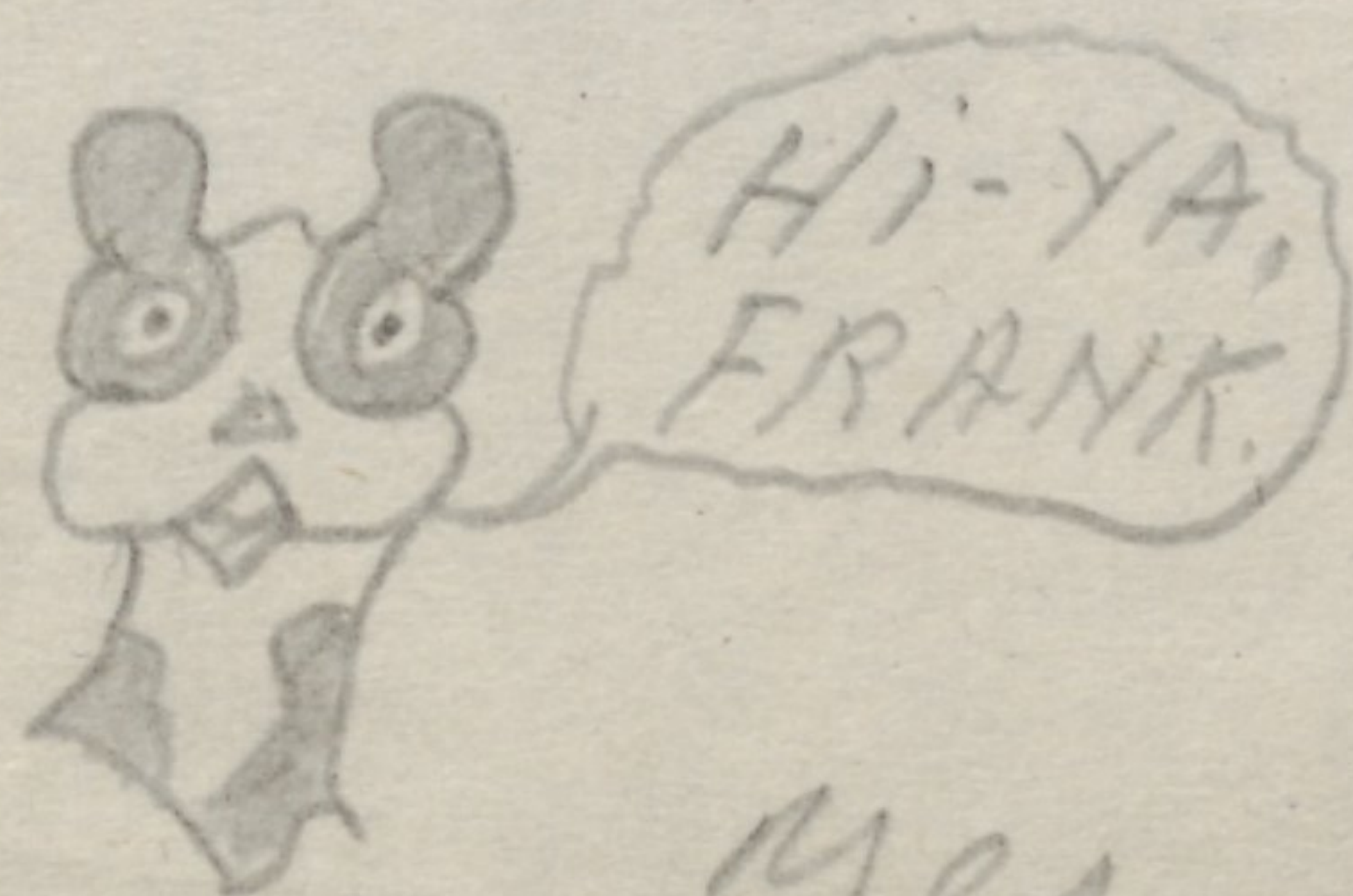


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I



yes, it's about time I wrote, well, you see Frank, it's like this I just had the best time of my life, after nine long months I finally got a fifteen day furlough. Boy! did my furlough days fly.

It was just like a great big dream to me, it seemed too good to be true. yep, Frank, I sure enjoyed myself. Andy got home on a week end pass while I was home and we just had a nice time. I was just getting use to good old civilian days and I had to return back to this old lousy army life again. Grrr. was I mad. I saw your folks and ate dinner the last Sunday I was there. Boy! did we have a feed. The more I ate at that dinner the more I thought

II

of you. I sure wish you were there to enjoy it with me. We had good old spaghetti and roast chicken. Boy! was it good. (are you getting hungry?) (had) Well, Frank probably you'd be interest to know, I finally found me a gal. I wouldn't say she's ^{neat} beautiful but she's got a swell personality and above all I regard her christianity more than anything else she's sure a swell girl. she belongs to the same church as I do. the night before I left ~~we~~ both sure had a swell time. Frank, I almost pissed her. Now! what a narrow escape that was. I was just about to piss her but I said No! I regarded that agreement with Big Belly more than that love. yes, maybe I'm nuts, I'll agree with you. but if I ever pissed her I just couldn't look big Betty in the eye any more because I knew he'd laugh his head off. and you know me. I can't stand any of that stuff

III

that's enough of the woman story (hem, ahem!)
I thought I'd write something to fatten
the pages. Well, Frank, whats new?
So you're still in the hospital hey?
I hope you get better but I still like to see
~~you~~ stay in the hospital because its better
in there than in that ship. at this present
moment. I'm listening to a news commentator.
he says the war will soon be over,
I hope and pray its the truth. Just
think Frank, after this war we can
all back home enjoy life again even
though we all go on the welfare and
have just a piece of bread to eat we'll all
be happy again. Just think good
old skiing and hiking again. Well,
Frank, the lights are about to go out
so I better close now so take it
easy cousin and May God Bless
you and me both.

PS. Excuse the
scratching I was
in a hurry again

Loving Cousin

J. Seadto.