

lots of arguments + hard feelings
I can argue with you all I
want to Cant I little sweetheart
I am going to get the big boys
a pair of sandals + Edna a
hat today got my check 45.⁴⁰
not very much but it will
help some I came closer to
the base ball pot than you did
47-51 just 4 off but you got as
much out of it as I did say if
you should come 1 or 2 from the
possible sure sure your ticket
as some time 3 or 4 off wins I
will leave you now as I am getting
sleepy as I worked for Art last
night had micky for a hoghead
last night coming up this a.m.
at Flowers which is a regular

atop others as a rule we only
slow down to let the old man
there throw the mail sack in
the mail car as there is no
mail crane there to pick it up
from, well any way we both
went to sleep & woke up about
a mile past there & we for
mickley up and asked him he said
changed if I know dont you know
we both got bent I was say 20 &
told him I would go back to the
mail car and find out the card
have a door in the end of them
so I pointed on the door and the
mail clerk opened it & asked him
and he told me he got the punch
alright as every thing was O.K.,
pretty good guess I better get

some sleep this after noon, it
spud will have fine out night
one thing about him I never
have seen him asleep he is always
on the job, well here I am back
from shopping got Selma a nice
little tan skirt but turned in
blue + the same sack a pair of
sandals, if I just saw her
working, somebody better start
I mine we will have a month and
a house filled with nice furniture
for the two decent girls in the
whole world, just the patient little
girl I mine and every thing
will come out just fine but you
do all you can to get out of there
as soon as possible nevertheless
and I will be on the job here

to make a good home + living
for the dear little girl I love
things are not going to be
like they have been we are going
to have a little pleasure some
of these days no selves just you
wait. Well dear girl it is time to
go + eat + get ready for work so
will leave you my love for now

When do you think you can get
out in the Walsh. I hope it won't
be long well dearie must close
write and tell me every thing
about your self as I am anxious
to know about my little girl.

I love you dear heart and am
praying for you each day + night
Worlds of love + kisses to you dear
one of mine Dad + the kids

Great Falls 5-4, 26

Dear Little Alma

I got your letter this
afternoon I am sure glad to
hear that you are doing so
well I am going to come
over and see you the first
chance I have am sure
glad you are in the cottage
you dear little girl every
thing that will make it better
for you dear is that much
better for us for we love
you Alma and want you to
have every thing the best
and most comfortable for you

Has every thing is bad enough
at the best, but some sweetheart
things will be different you
will be home with us all and
then the good times we will
have again. Every one is fine
at home Mickey is well again
and was going to be up this
after noon I suppose the
Fodd + Bell will get the medals
Pretty soon I believe it will
be the best for them now as it
is pretty light this year and
then they will be over them
Little Jack is quite a case he
is just about the same as Bug
used to be into to everything

That he saw get into he is in
your mother washed out her
self some stockings and laid
them on the table next thing
Jack was juggling them
around on the floor behind
him having the time of his
life and you should hear him
talk when she took them away
from him the dear little kid
he sure is getting cute, well
I heard we had another fight
in Arrington Mrs Midana +
Mrs Hamilton got into it Mrs,
Midana hit her in the stomach
and she has been in bed for
the last couple of days thought
it pretty good, I guess she

shook her fist in the wrong
persons face once any way.
Mac + Ellen were married
in Butte the 1st we got a
Wedding announcement the
other day. I have been real
industrious built the porch and
say kid did a pretty good job
for the kind of carpenter I
am a real proud of it it
does look pretty good putting
all jokes aside. of course little
Bill helped me all the time
+ Bug when he was home I
can't take all the credit my
self you know. Well here it
is about time for work again
I slept this after noon as
I was pretty tired my

Galena 2/11 '27.

Dearest Boy:-

To-morrow is your birthday love & I've no gift for you - won't even be able to take you a birthday cake, but after I get home, I will. The first year since we've been married that you haven't had one - know that. But sweetheart mine, I'm loving you so much. Does that mean anything? To me it means life and happiness. Never again will I complain because something doesn't go just right - just to be home. That's all. I can hardly wait for April 1st to come. Our month gone all ready & Feb. is a short month. Then of course in March I'll be counting the days. Poor Jarvis had another hemorrhage yesterday - just at noon. So discouraging for her. I'm feeling finer & getting so fat & more lazy each day, if possible. A few more checks like last month will begin to make

^{and} path look rosy once more, wont it? Got a
nice letter from Mildred - am enclosing it.

Miss Johnson from the kids building ~~you~~ was
in for a few minutes the other evening. She
said Ardeaw had been home for a month. He
isn't making much progress altho he
doesn't suffer like he used to. I wonder if
Hilmer & Bertie decided to send Sonny over here.

I wrote to Mrs. Mac Guiry about it, but don't know
whether she did anything or not. Haven't heard
from Joe's folks since I came back. Got another
lesson yesterday - that makes five to do so
guess I'd better get busy. Feb. 2nd your

birthday Sweetheart mine - If I were only
with you I'd help you celebrate? As it is,
here's a kiss. They moved Photodown
stairs yesterday - she's pretty sick, pleurisy.
Hear she's a little bit better this morn.
I'm so damn homesick this morning I
could almost be tempted to pack up &

travel. Got a letter from Frank
Bough yesterday. Some letter.
Was sure surprised. Frank was up
yesterday afternoon - she's trying to
get a school. If she can, she's going
to leave. There is absolutely nothing
here to write about so you see I'm in
the same boat you are. All I can
say is I love you. I'm holding you
all my heart. And you can be
prepared to be smothered with kisses
when I see you. Miss Macaulay told me
this morn. I was looking so peaked
& bad she thought she'd better send for
my husband. It's awful when you get
so fat even the nurses have to "kid" you
along. Told her I was heading for
home April 1st regardless. Bye
dearest Boy - Yours for eternity
Scarf.

Galena 6-15-26

Dear _____

Say sweetheart
mine just a note this
morning. Suppose you
will be over in a few days
now won't you? That would
be fine. Vi is getting
better, but eye is pretty
low - guess there's no
hopes for her now at all.
Poor kid. Oh well, we
all have to face it some
time & it's easier for one
to go who doesn't have

to clear little kids be-
hind. She says she
doesn't mind dying, but
she's afraid she'll choke
to death & that worries
her. The sun is shining
again - have had several
nice showers. Hope you
got some at home. Well
honey, back from my
errand - saw Mrs. King &
she was telling me
she had a letter from
the sisters & they told
her King had gone away
& hadn't made any
arrangements about Jimmie
altho he had told them

he would get a place for
him. Eddie she would
like to have you do a favor
for her if you can. Go
out to the Orphan Home
see the children & have
a talk with the sisters
so you can tell her just
how things are & how the
children are when you
come over. She's so
worried she doesn't
know what to do & I
know you will do that
for her, won't you love

mine? Poor little kiddie
just think how
awful it is. Wish we
were fixed so we could
do something for them.

There's a new nurse
here, I used to know
when I was a kid &
went to school with her
one summer at the
ranch. Haven't seen
her yet, but she told
Elliot she was coming
over to see me the first
chance she got. Well
dear heart I want this
to go this morning so must
cut it short. Would love to
kisses dear. Always

Galena 5-2-26.

My Own Dear Darling! -

Wrote three letters
already - to Joe & Inez - to
~~the girls~~ to Mother - but
saved yours till the last,
The best, you know. See,
but I love you Daddy O' Mine.

Got your letter this
morning + was pleased as

I didn't expect it today
Got one from Hazel, too.

~~Am enclosing it. Do you~~
remember Mater telling
us that she had heard
Frank had another girl -
well I guess many found
out about it + you know
that would cook her. I'm

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not just sure what the trouble was, but think that's it, so many just postponed the wedding or is planning on going to the coast. Believe me any time they try to play fast & loose with her, they lose out - she's too independent to stand for any thing not on the square - I'm sure glad she is makes me feel cheap to think I didn't tell her what I knew, but was afraid of making unnecessary trouble - as long as she found

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out any way I guess it's
just as well I kept still,
but I'll bet he's sorry
he didn't play on the
square. She may
patch it up with him
someday, but I've my
doubts about that ever
happening if she goes
to the coast. Still find
some one else she likes
better + good Frank will
find out he's left, eh,
what? What will you
bet, I'm right about it?
Don't say anything to Mary
about it tho as she's feeling
pretty blue about things
right now. Do you ever

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see Beudtrock's? I must
dress for supper so
will finish this after words
honey. Supper isn't over
all about + I'm sure for you
dear one. Everybody else is
out walking or visiting +
here I be. Say Boy, did
you ever answer Grace's
nice letter? You should
send it to Hazzel, but all
I ask is - don't write nor
get letters I must not see.
Why did you tear those up,
sweetheart mine? I think
about it so often + wonder
why you won't tell me. Don't
you think I'm capable
of understanding and

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forgiving. You forgive me
once when I did wrong
& I would do as much for
you as you do for me, dear
heart. Don't you know
that? And it would take
it off my mind. But if
you don't want to, all right.
Do you ever see Daisy? There
is a little woman here at
the Walab who looks so
much like her. Poor
Daisy, I'm afraid some
day she will have to pay
& pay & pay for what she's
doing. And Jimmie pays
too. Say Eddie as soon as
you can spare the money
will you get me a pair of

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slippers + a couple pairs
of stockings. White canvas
slippers are alright for up
here + they are cheaper
than the others. If you get
the white ones get white
stockings, too. These shoes
will do for a while yet,
but won't last so very long
+ of course I have to dress
now to go to my meals as I
eat in the main dining
room. Poor little Mickey,
I was so sorry for him.
Dear little Jackie, how I
would love to get a hold of
him + rock him + little
Billy, too. Did Edna + Ben
go to Cascade Sat.? So

you were talking to Alice
 were you? You had better
 look out - just so you
 don't do anything I would
 not do. See? Do you ever
 see that Miller that was
 at the hospital? Give him
 my regards if you see
 him. Do you play piano
 any more Daddie? I had
 the nicest surprise this
 morning. Myrtle Childerbox
 drove over from Butte to see
 me. Gee, I was tickled.
 Eva was better this
 morning - I talked to
 her for several minutes.
 She's a dear girl. Well
 sweetieat guess I'll say Bye

and gets to bed. It takes
anything I've said to heart,
but, gee honey, if you would
tell me I'd love you so
much for it. Love you
any how Daddy Dear
just a lot + best a
kiss, too. Always for yours,
Alma

Jan 2 - 26

I sweetheart mine:-

Still havent had my
exam, honey, but theres a chance
that Ill have it today, if I do, Ill
send you a special Q. letter
Tens days to the Star. Was talking
to Miss Housek about it yesterday
& she said she would see him
about it. Was also talking to Miss
MacCauley & she thinks maybe
there is a chance of me going to
stay. Vic is going home the first
of the month. Mr. Vidal said she
would get along as well there
as here, he thought. She's surely
tickled. Rip is going home today
for a visit & Mrs. Wright is going
home to stay. So well little Billie Boy
was stronger - you know I rather

imagine she will always be the
baby instead of Jackie. If I go
home to stay, I'm going to see
Dr. Armand & find out for sure
if I have T.B. in the glands & if I
do, I'm going to take Dr. Abrams
treatments for them. They
never have taken any tests here
to know for sure that it is T.B. in
them - only guessed at it. Such
is life. Biz won't be a bit happier
than I will when I go home. Too
bad Ruth has whooping cough, but
Carrie can't thank her lucky stars
she has it now instead of later
on in the fall. Well sweetheart
mine must go take my sun. A
world of love & kisses to you love
Boy. Yours Always.

Halew - 4-26-26.

Darling Daddy:-

Got both your
letters to day, dear boy - was
~~Oh, so glad to get them -~~
do look forward to them. I
don't feel so well to day, but
it's only from natural causes
so am not worrying - will
be O. K. again in a day or so.
You buy that car & see
how fast I'll go riding
with you - don't know
which way would be
safest to take from here
tho, if you should happen
to do anything so foolish.
Our time is coming tho,
sweetheart mine. Don't

you dare to cry - I don't
so you mustn't. If tears
would help I'd shed a
barrell if I had to
squeeze them out over
a thing. I've been real
industrious today - cut
Edna's dress out & made
part of it. Say, do you know
that almost all these
patients here are sent by
the county - even those
with husbands making
good money - pretty good,
what? So glad Bobbie Boy
is better. They said he was
so glad to see mother the
other evening - lay here
last night & pictured

all of you at supper - does
Jackie Boy sit in the
high - chair to eat? Does
he feed himself? The
little pet. You're not to get
an expensive watch, dear
one - just an Ingersoll
will be fine. You saw just
let Jim coming home this
next Xmas - to stay, too -
I don't even allow myself
to think anything else.
Egon is some better, but
still pretty sick - the
Flu. poor kid - they won't
let anyone in to see her
yet - afraid it will spread
I guess, as well as make
her worse. You should

heard all the nice things
the girls here said
about you - made me
feel pretty good - I'll say.
Did you see the snap shots
I sent mamma - they
will give her a bit of an
idea about what it's like
over here. What's Abe doing
now? Is Ma still in
Dunington or has she
gone again? Well honey
I'll say night & finish this
in the morning - I love you
& my little buddies & mother
& the kids & poor old Dad,
too. Did you give him my
letter? A kiss dear & a
prayer for you & us all. Here

I am - morning again
Slept like a top last
night & feel better this
A.M. We've a new patient
up here & she's a card.
Think we are going to
get several good laughs
out of her. Stomach - she'd
stop a clock. Besides most
of these folks being sent here
by the county, they ^{can} get
about brooks, slippers underwears
night gowns, sweaters & the
county pays for it - pretty
soft when they are
most of them perfectly
able to buy them them
selves - Of course other
counties aren't so strict

about making good pay
if they are able as
Cascades County, but
it doesn't hardly seem
likely to ~~be~~ ^{be} ~~it~~ ^{it} ~~will~~ ^{will} ~~be~~ ^{be}
into time for me to take
the snow no fear will till
tomorrow - A world of
love to you - kisses too.
B. J. J. J.

pajamas as I had
forgotten to send my
dirty clothes to the laundry
before I left. If I can't find
someone to go to the store for
me & get some things I'm
sure going to be L.O.L.
Harry Cary is leaving this
morn. Don't tell anyone why
he was discharged will you
daddy, as he is rattled anxious
to keep it from his folks.
It looks rather stormy this
morn'g - guess we had
nice weather as long as
possible. Surely has been
glorious. Quill was so pleased
with his cake - he wrote me a
note of thanks & I sent it to
mother. Poor kid is on
absolute silence now - can't

snow whispered: Tough luck.
Dear Lord of mine do just as
you wish about the ranch.
In fact if you remember
no matter what you decide.
It would be happiness
complete to have a place of
our own + all of us be together
for at least a few years. It's
something mighty nice to
look forward too, isn't it
Dar heart? The mountains
are so pretty + I get a
wonderful view of them from
here. Think I'll get fat
if I stay in bed two weeks.
Several mags of milk a day.
Had a dandy bath this
morning + am up for
exam this afternoon by Mr.
Getty I suppose. They

didn't say a word about me
being gone so long. Got a
letter from the N. D. A. reminding
me I was several months behind
in my payments. Were very nice
about it. What can I promise
them, Lord? Got several Kinoo
cards - one from Mr. Petrus + they
tell me there's a nice pair of bedroom
slippers at the Walsh for me from
some woman's club. How's your
job? Do you like it up there?
I'll do my best of writing you
when you can & aren't too tired.
I'm loving you lots + here's
kisses for you.

Yours Always
Leop.