

Tuesday aft 7:45
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Shrug my dearest,

The soldiers, sailors, marines and also the feminine side of the war will be out parading to day in really delightful weather. If baby were older, I'd take him to see a parade and maybe I will if it isn't too crowded in Prospect Park this afternoon. The drums started drumming away at 9 o'clock this morning from the Post around the corner and every once in awhile there would be a slight parade along Madison Ave. It's a little past twelve o'clock now and I'm sitting outdoors near Jimmie who's getting an early nap. At 10 o'clock Mom and Pop came to see us, feel fine and had a nice time with baby while I showered. They brought him a lovely ball made of a durable fabric and ^{it's} multi-colored but not so destructible. We all went down together and walked towards the Rockaway bus but when we saw the line extending 4 deep all the way to Ave H Mom and Pop decided to go to Brighton Beach instead of Rockaway.

Last night, the moon was out and the sky was shaded with glittering stars. It looked more like a June night with romance in the air and my thoughts were of you, my sweetheart. When I returned from the Post office, Billy called and spoke to me for about 15 minutes. He and Micky are O.K. and his sister is getting along well and will be going home for a few weeks before more treatments and who knows what afterwards.

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Billy will be going to the ball game to-day and will write to you this week. He apologized to me for not writing so often to you because of all these family troubles he's had lately.

The radio programs were quite entertaining last night and one of the stories I heard was "Congo Mince" with an author, who always gives us plenty of laughs. Here's another snapshot that you've requested and would you like duplicates of any of the others. I'll try to get your photo this week from Birmingham. I'll leave you now until after lunch, Jim just woke.

It's now 7:30 p.m. after lunch I drove with baby to Helma's, picked ^{up} her and Joel and drove to the hospital. We had to wait about 1 1/2 hrs. in the admitting office and then Joel was taken upstairs. He was in good spirits when we left and Helma and my mother came as far as Church and Statish with us. I shopped the car, did a little window shopping and Jimmie had a wonderful time looking at each window, crawling along the avenue and later had an ice cream cone from ~~Mc~~man's. The park was too crowded so we left for home where we found Eleanor awaiting us. Just finished our supper and expect to relax this evening now that baby is asleep.

Hope all is well with you, my dearest, and don't ever forget that I love you even so dearly. All my devotion and love to you and a kiss and hug from Jimmie. Best regards from Eleanor. Good-night, darling.

Sincerely yours,
Florence



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