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Dearest,

Forgive me, my love, for last night's short depressing letter. It must have been the rain and my loneliness. To-day the sun is shining again and my spirits and hopes are higher. I'll try not to complain again and try hard to keep that promise.

After mailing your letter last night, I listened to some excellent radio programs among which was "Mrs. Miniver" with Greer Garson and my movie favorite Walter Pidgeon. The story had a new meaning for me and from then on I felt better. Jimmie's tan sweater is finally near the finishing stage and I'm grabbing up the "Reader's Digest."

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This morning I went to town with a
super duper breakfast - wheatcakes and
bacon - honey - and even Jimmie had a taste.
He's sure precocious and I'm getting used
to having him around, tugging my legs,
following me all over the apartment and
doing all sorts of new things. He's now
at the stage where he hides little silly
things in corners, upsets the bottles,
opens drawers and reaches for objects on
tables. The other morning, while talking
with Mrs. Pincus, he climbed out of the
high chair clear across the kitchen
table and I grabbed the fruit bowl
and your picture before he did. He sure
keeps me on my toes, the little rascal.
The ~~past~~ two days I noticed that he's
walking more and crawling less.

His hair is very curly, blonde and once in a while I wash ^{it} into a feather-bob - then he's my little girl. I promised for some snaps of us, my darling and I know not where to get the 120 films. Maybe you'll have better luck in the P.Y. In the meantime, I'm trying to borrow a 116 camera.

This morning I got a swell idea for a perfect gift - I'd like to get you a good leather bag - similar to Harold's and if that's O.K. with you, please let me know so I can send it soon. The other Ymas gifts I'll finish up by the end of this week. Also about Anita's and Joel's cash gifts - I'd like to turn them down into something wearable. Do you mind? I'm going to treat the apartment to a few touches here and there to lift "our spirits." The change will do me ^{some} ~~very~~ good and you'll be surprised when you do get home.

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By now, you've probably had your interview
and I hope your job will be to your liking.
The army is always in need of good men with
brains, my dearest.

Mom and ~~Pop~~ are O. K., busy in the store
and always glad to know that you and Bob
are well. I have to write a letter to Joseph in
England for them and also a letter to Seymour
which I received yesterday. That's all the
up to the minute news. With this letter,
I'm starting an afternoon writing spell while
baby sleeps. I don't like to go down in the eve
now that the weather is changing.

Little David is mailing this letter for me
and I do hope you get it soon.

With loads of love and kisses to you
and a great big hug from Jimmie, you find
me

Always yours,
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