

me in sending you our
sincerest thanks.

Yesteray, I am
Ogden.

Vivian

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LOSSES Miss Vivian Jean Munich

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Saturday

Dear Dave,

The tray just arrived and
Mother David and I adore it.
I can just picture us using
it when everyone comes
calling on us and I know
how unique it will prove.
It was so sweet of you
to think about us Dave,
and we certainly appreciate
it. You know David joins

In case of emergency
call Dave Bolotin
41.4650....

To-morrow we start on our way
to N.Y. for a 4 or 5 days visit, +
then thru Washington landing
in Lexington around the 7th

Please give my regards to
any of the kids you see + be
good.

As always,
Jayne

P.S. I've been writing this letter
while watching the golfers come in
on the 18th green & I do hope no
letter isn't as full of gaps as
the men seem to have left the golf
course. At least I'm not
swearing about it, anyhow —



Dear Dave,

Monday

This will probably be the only
opportunity I'll have to write a
half-way decent letter, so I
had better take advantage of my
extra time.

We arrived in Maine yesterday
a day ahead of schedule so we
have been enjoying our leisure
time among a glorious setting of
mountains & lakes. I don't even
know if I can brag about it.
after seeing such beautiful
scenery in this part of the country.
I'd like to take some of these
wide open spaces & plant them

suspended near the window. needless to say. we didn't have to use them, but it would have been fun!

We tripped over to Tripp Lake (know, Arrible) yesterday & to-day to see Alice & she really looks fine. I even think she has grown $\frac{1}{2}$ of an inch or so. She was quite thrilled with your letter (aren't we all) & even saved it to show to me. I was anxious to see if my impressions of camp had changed much in 5 yrs., & much to my surprise the surroundings & everything looked just about the same. Of course, the places ^{around camp} don't look quite as big now as they did when I was 12 yrs old - many, & many a year ago.

right in the middle of Baltimore.

I think all of us have enjoyed our trip up here immensely. Boston was particularly interesting with so many historic places to visit. In Salem we saw the "House of Seven Gables" with its secret stair-way & all. The advantage of such a thing must be quite numerous; I must remember to construct one in my house. Mother thought Gloucester would be very quaint to visit so off we went to Gloucester. We had to spend the night there & the hotel besides being very quaint (if that's what you call spidery & hard beds) has given me an opportunity to add another link to my string of new experiences. Every room had a fire escape; the fire escape being a thick rope.

Dear Dave,

And so another homecomming has come and gone leaving its mark in bleary eyes, dark circles and aching heads. I had a hell of a swell time. Was supposed to have a date with a girl from Minnesota but it seems she brought her own date with her or something to that effect. I was perfectly satisfied - had a lot of fun kidding this girl about standing me up and such - decided to go upstairs with her to have a drink and ran into her date with another girl sitting on the chair we had in mind - my licker was hidden under the chair. - rather embarrassing moment - . Met a girl from Min. that really is a honey - tried to pull the same old late date stunt but got too tight and couldn't make it. Got into the crap game for a buck and stayed for about an hour and a half before I finally lost it - must have been about twenty or thirty dollars ahead at one time but I really can't remember. Little Shwartzy claimed he hadn't had a good crap for two weeks so someone gave him a bottle of pluto water and he drank the whole damn thing - every once in a while something would whiz by and shoot up the stairs like a jack rabbit - Schwartzy heading for the nearest can. Rabner and his party drove to Cedar Rapids to the dance ~~xxxx~~ - about half way there Rabner turned around and asked if Lucile (Abramson, his date) had gone to sleep - asleep, hell, he forgot her in Iowa City. Newt Sacks bought a quart of rye for a buck and a quarter - if you were to

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take a bite out of the doore it would probably feel just about like a swallow of that rye. Gus Simon to Maxine Tannenbaum, S.D.T. pledge, "God, this collar is stiff." - Maxine- "That ain't the only thing that's stiff, big boy!" "BROWN'S IN TOWN BOYS" "You know I just can't seem to get excited about this pass" "I don't give a damn if I do roll a nine this time" "You know, if I hadn't stopped that I bet it would have been a crap" "Keep 'em in the ball park, Sanders, they cool off when you miss the table" "Wait until he's covered before you start making side bets, for Christ's sake" Reisman's still going with Marlis. "QUIET HOURS" yells Stan Cohn and both of the sky lights fall down from the vibrations. Hiersteiner had a date. Ike got a laughing jag on again.

For a serious interlude, Dave, I think you are all wet in so far as your judgement of Babe is concerned, and I happen to know. There is a little point I was just wondering about When I asked Babe if she ever heard from you she told me that you owed her a letter. The last letter that she wrote was sent to your home and she would sort of like to know whether you got it or not. In so far as her having a good time this year with nothing so extra heavy in her love life -----you're wrong again. Babe has something extra heavy in her love life this year as well as last and it's still you. I am probably doing nobody any good by writing this stuff but Babe hasn't forgotten you as easily as you and I thought she would. We

both overlooked the fact that a woman has a far greater capacity for love than a man has and consequently it is far harder for them to forget and far easier for them to forgive - Dave, don't give her up; Babe deserves a better break than that even though she is far finer than either you or I or any one of us deserve.

I would enjoy corresponding with you, Dave. The main trouble with fraternity is that you make friends, have a hell of a good time together for a few years and then graduate and drift apart. Let's you and I keep up this correspondance and some day in the future we will meet again.

A friend,

Hank.

P. S. Dave, I pulled a boner and I am awfull sorry.

I sent this letter to the wrong address and it came back. Maybe it is just as well because I forgot to tell you that Babe's birthday is November the twenty nineth. Send her a little something, Dave, and if you can't get it to her on time send it anyway and say you didn't remember the exact date or something.



Thursday

David dear,

I'm writing this letter in bed, so if the handwriting is more difficult to read than ever, you'll know the reason why.

I can't begin to tell you how grand it was having you in Baltimore for graduation & in N.Y. for your one night's visit. Incidentally, I've found the Empire State Building! I also want to thank you many times again for your lovely gift. You see, I don't even mind writing you a thank - you note!

I moved over to Leoxia's yesterday morning, & of course, we'll be on

to Lexington this summer, so you all
can meet once again.

Will see you soon -

All my love,
Fayne

the go every minute. The best
thing on the slate as far as I'm
concerned is the show "Louisiana
Purchase." Oh yes, & if I have the
time this afternoon, I'm going to meet
Bill. I'm anxious to see just what
kind of a concert he looks like.
Mother is busy day & night too, & I
suppose we were ~~for~~ wrong when
we said we would meet on the
train.

I suppose we'll leave on Sunday,
& I'm wondering how long it will
take me to get straightened out once
I get home. I imagine I'll drive
up to Louisville on Friday, if I
desperately sufficient from the big
city life. When did you say you
were going to be busy?

Leona sends her regards & says
she is sorry she didn't get to
see you. I guess she'll be coming



MY DEAR -
(don'tcha know)

Thursday

David dear,

There's nothing like
borrowing your sister's
stationery until your own
comes in, although I don't know
what good paper with Payne
Sabel Weil on it will do Alice.

I'm sorry I missed you
last night. Harold & I went
to see the Ritz Bros., & then to
the Stingo Cup for my usual
drink of an orangeade. Monday
night, Gee, Jimmy, & I.

Nothman (a German refugee) were over for supper, & we spent a very interesting evening - mainly discussing Dr. Arie's talk. The Dr. felt as I, that it was unnecessary for Arie to shout & bellow so, & as he put it, "It seemed to me, he was using Hitler's own tactics." Daddy said the questions that were asked had been assigned to most of the people, so I'm afraid we can't credit him for asking the most intellectual one. I understand there was a hot party afterwards & that Hannah Meyers was feeling pretty good, & told Dr. Arie that he reminded her of Goering, & kept calling him that all evening. The poor man probably wished he was back in Austria after that evening!

Well, Alice finally succeeded

in getting her pup. Before she got it, she had asked mother if it would do any good to cry, so mother finally relented, & now we have a new member of the household. He's 4 months old, & really quite cute - Zombie by name.

My college career starts once again to-day, & I'm scared to death. I feel just like a freshmen.

Al is going out with me to-day to help me register & meet some of the professors. Saturday is the first football game, & I guess I'll get out with the rest of the university kids, & show my college spirit.

Can't think of any more news for the time being, so I'll close.
Tell Esther "Hello" for me.
As always, Joyce

Dear David dear
I want to thank you for the grand time I had & you in Louisville - you were very sweet & I also want to thank you for the chance ^{of} you hung on me - after that you have another except (heart) to hang among your trophies. Sparsely it was fine seeing you. Be good and please send me the words to the song 'Princess Papaya'.
Love etc. 'Alah
Reomi'

David dear,

As you notice, we got home safe & sound - not in an hour &

I'm going out to the university to hear the orchestra "give out" on Beethoven. It probably won't sound like the Philadelphia Symphony Concerts, but I imagine the program will be fairly enjoyable.

No more news, & Leone is yelling for me to help her pack, so I'll close. Mother & I are driving up to Louisville on Monday, & I'd give you a ring when I get in.

Love, Jayne

eighteen minutes, but it didn't take us much more than two & a half hours! Anyhow, the governal is off now, & I can go speeding along.

Leone is on her way home this afternoon, & I believe she has had a very nice visit. Last night we went to Joyland to hear Carl Deacon Moore, & Monday night we went to a movie, *Centaur*, & around. So far, Leone seems to be suffering no ill effects, but I can certainly use a couple of nights of good sleep.

To-night however, I think

Tel. WA. 3618

BROWN'S BOUTIQUE

"Beautiful Shoes"

625 South 4th Street

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Jayne sweet,

as long as it's raining out and no squeaky women are defiling the balloned interior of 625 S. 4th, the opportunity to write is ripe as all get out. Feeling extremely good today, nothing like a fine night of sleep to set a fellow up.

Nice train ride this morning. I sat down & opened one eye cautiously, saw that Mrs. Ades was across the aisle, said hello etc., then closed the aforementioned eye & didn't wake up until we reached Louisville. I asked the porter if I'd snored and he said absolutely not (please note carefully) — great diplomats these porters.

Well now, about next Sunday, it's a date. probably be there early, I mean early in the afternoon.

Haven't done anything overwhelming since I last saw you, haven't had time.

I love you like a city Indian, I mean - no reservations.

Yours
Jane

Tel. WA. 3618

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LOUISVILLE, KY.

Fayre dear,

Kind of busy yesterday, went to a Retail Merchants Assn., dinner & meeting & heard a talk on local defense activities. There's an expenditure of 118 millions in production goods in this area with an estimated total of 14,500 permanent employees. Not bad, we really got our share of the defense plums here in Louisville. After the meeting I sat in on a friendly poker game. Didn't know they played for such high stakes or I wouldn't have played. Won \$50.45, which made me even for the evening. It costs \$50.00 to join the R.M.A & the meal was \$1.00, I guess I lost .25 at that.

In ten minutes I'm going to call you so, this letter is, so to speak, not essential from the angle of communication; but, I want trust anything, so why not.

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One more thing, I think we should start a "darkness + dahlia" school of thought as opposed to the reactionary "moonlight + Roses," group. Con points of argument ① moonlight creates too much illumination + ② Rose have thorns.

Pro points - ① Darkness is the presence of all color + all thought + ② dahlia begins with a 'd' + is therefore somewhat (onomatopoeic) ok so there isn't any such word, and if there was, it wouldn't have any application in this instance.

~~—~~ now don't be so critical.
Pardon the scrappiness dear,
just marking time until I can talk to you.

Yours
Jane.

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LOUISVILLE, KY.

Jayne sweet,

Still haven't found my pen, very confusing.
Everythings in order. Drivers license, apartment,
reservation at Beaumont Inn, physical examination for
marriage license. We'll shop for a ring and get
our marriage license next Monday morning.

Been sort of busy planning fall advertising campaign
and window, also looking for prospective buyers, plenty
of nibbles but nothing definite yet. Fall merchandise
is starting to arrive, [redacted] makes things a bit
more complicated, but it's nothing to worry about.
At that, I'll be glad when it's all settled.

If you want to come down Saturday and see the
apartment, I'm sure you can, but since we're only going to
live in it a short time, and since it's the best to be
found, I'm [redacted] sartin you'll like it. Besides which
I told the rental agent that we'd definitely take the
larger apartment if we could have the smaller one by the
fifteenth of the month. So all in all it isn't necessary
for you to come down, unless you're the curious type
and want to see where you're going to live. If I'd made
the arrangements alone, Id want you to see it before
anything definitewas decided, but actually Aunt Corinne
did it all, so since the Sabel touch was definitely there,
there's no need for further concern. (P.S.) Call me
when you come in Saturday.

Outside of the above mentioned activities, life
has been cloisterlike. Finished' Gone with the bell tolls;
You know what I mean'For whom the Wind Blows'.
Continuing to read Farm Economics, and incidentally had
a slight mishap with the book. I told you that there's
a chemist living at Kaplans, well, we were fooling around
and got a few crystals of Potassium Iodide on the cover
of the book, really nothing serious.

If you don't come in Saturday, I'll take the usual
train in to Lexington, Until then, I love you sweet, and---
after then, It'll all depend upon whether you remember what
you were taught about kissing and such like.

I love you so

Dane

I was pretty

4.
Sunday I got there - Sam (my cousin) had
made us break the date & we had
for months and he took me out. Well
I don't think I'll ever have as good a
time. It was grand, wonderful, marvelous
time. When I got my cousin I
found when I got my cousin I
really had a fit like started out
at 10:15. Went to the Union Room
(W.M. Penn Hotel) most exclusive
place in Pitts. Joyce for the
first time in my life. ~~left~~
drunk on champagne -
was it good at twelve o'clock? I
really was feeling plenty good.
I forgot myself and really didn't
deserve justice - I wouldn't
let anyone touch me - and
now can I kick myself.
Anyways we left there at
5 minutes to 2. and went to
the Show Boat. That's a

Dear Joyce:

Gosh was it good to
hear from you. I've been
invited with the like since
Thursday, so your letter was
more than welcome.

How did I have
a glorious time during the
holidays. Everything and
everybody was grand and
glorious. I went formal
every night but twice one
of those nights I slept and
the other I went to see

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movie. I got courage back
every time I went forward
and forward behold I was ever
+ more nite + New Years Eve I
got orchids not one - but once
two and twice three. Then there
was cocktail parties luncheons
teas, drives, dances, night clubbing,
swimming dates in Pitts. And
what not. I went to the
Ziegfeld Follies - which were
good and I also saw a
few good movies. Among
them Comille (grand) girl
Diggers of 1937 and Love on

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the run. I've a terrible terrible
crush on my cousin (ain't that
hell). He's a dell - when have I
said that before. But this is ^{now}
He's the only fellow I ~~want~~ ^{want} him
that I ever so much as looked at
twice. & hell with Joe-Joe &
Milton (who gives me an awful
pain). He's a swell kid. Too
bad tho'. I went sledriding,
roller skating and ice skating,
and swimming went through
the Henry factory and visit
fun. I didn't have a nice
Sunday hotel in Pitts. New
Year's Eve was perfect. The first

first one and then the other
closed off. We slept till around
nine got up and Sammey and
I went to his house and I
undressed and went to the
bathroom. Sammey called
me, said his head hurt and
fifed him a bromo he took it and
I started rubbing his head and
I fell asleep - he evidently did
too 'cause he didn't wake me.
I don't know this anyway
about seven o'clock my aunt
came in to wake me and she
said I wasn't in my bed
and she became alarmed 'cause
she heard us come in - well
she goes to ask Sammey if she

5.
met Club on a boat. It was loads
of fun - floor show was only
part though. Then we left
there around 4:15 and went to
Webster Hall - like a battlefield.
Danced and fooled around (?) we
got me _____ until 6 and
then we ate. Then we crashed a
party - there were few couples in
the crowd - and only one of them
had an invitation. Steevey
it was dead - you know but
house parties st. we didn't
bring long. By the time they
took all the girls home it was
9:30 - so Sammey goes home
packs a suit, Deleen does
stuff etc. and we drive back

to New Kensington. Got there at eleven. We went home. Took a bath - had a shower dressed, drove back to Pitts, picked up the other couples and went to a brunch. Well I assure you'd have died if you had seen us. We were exhausted. We finished eating just in time to hear the game. I was on the floor, as were all the others, and I fell sound asleep. You know how I like my sleepy way. After the game they

wake me up, and the other girls were dressed formal again. They dressed ~~while I was sleeping~~. So we went back to New Kensington (about 20 miles from Pitts) and Sammey and I dressed formal. Then we went cocktailing - all nighted up strictly formal. See the film. Had a ball. We ate about 10:30 we broke out and met about six other couples at the Clitterbox (W.M. Palmer) in Pitts and I danced 'til two. Then we went to some girls' houses and ate. I've never eaten as much as I did then. Everybody was so tired we were dozing and

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and went to bed Well Sunday
(yes, this was Sunday) was my
last day there, the kids were
giving me a farewell dinner and
I hadn't packed and my clothes
were 20 miles from there. Of a
good thing my aunt had a
daughter she calling left that's
who I originally was supposed to
stay with) she packed all my
clothes - leaves for my weekend
bag - formal dress and dinner wear
etc., and a suit to travel in -
I bring them into Pitt and
at about 5:30 wake my and
tell me the time. Well before I
got dressed I couldn't do

9.

went to New Kensington and
there the two girls were sound
asleep. We were going to a
dinner at 7:30 - given to me.
Several of the fellows were
downstairs and she having
been up - well Joyce you've
never heard such long story
as those boys! I jumped up in
bed and when I really
woke up I was so damn
embarrassed I started crying.
I was so exhausted and
everything and that just
topped it off. Anyways after
nine hours sleep in nearly
72 hours, I dressed formal again

10.
and go strutting out. I had a
date with a cat fellow - but I
don't know how it happened
he ended up with Sammy's date
and I with Sammy - I think
Sam exchanged cards at the
tables. I was surprised I could
hardly eat. They suggested
dancing - I said no I wanted
to went to a show or
rigged out formal and saw
"After the High Dive". It was
awful. It was a little after
midnight. We got out to
twelve when we got out to
they went dancing. Jayne
when I say very full heart,
and my head hurt and my

11.
eye were tired I don't mean
anything else but we started
dancing. I told Sam if he didn't
get me out of that mad house & I
start screaming - he was tired too
so about one thirty he suggested
leaving. So the selected just
at two & we left at 2:15.
then they wanted to eat so
I ate, then they wanted to
go swimming - so I went swimming
then I suggested going home so
we went home (Sam & I). When
got in (5:25) I just made the
bathroom and was I sick
and was Sam sick. I took
off my skirt, shoes sticky

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I was so ~~sore~~¹⁰ I couldnt appreciate it. So there's my prolonged New Year's Eve. I'll never have as good a time as I had in ~~that~~ one weekend.

Forgive this novel but this is the first time I've written it - I wrote it over and over - and I didn't know it was so lengthy. But other way my whole two weeks were - as you know how much I enjoyed myself.

Now you sit down right now and give me a minute detailed of every thing you did during those days. What's going on - what I you do tomorrow? So? Well, I know what I want. Oh, don't say I didn't ask enough -

With my love
Selma

13:

Anything she told me she'd packed and everything as I felt better. Well I took a shower and dressed finished packing - then I packed my overnight bag and called up and had all my other bags checked through and by that time Tom was ready - I thanked them for a lovely time - sorry I was such a bother and I'd see them in the summer. We went to dinner and were kidding around, all of a sudden it seems on me I haven't anything to wear. So next Monday morning I went back and collecting and fit put me a suit in just as the men come for the boys.

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About 10:30 I remembered my
self I had to catch a train at
10:50. ~~so~~ you should have
seen the rush. Well I got there
^{with minutes} ~~in time~~ and the train was five minutes
late. Fooling around the station
was lots of fun. Those fools bought
me Candy and magazines, newspapers etc.
I've never seen so damn much
pink, five boxes of Candy -
well the porter had a good
time. I got on the train and we
joked around 'till train time
was called; Jaquie I didn't
want to leave, and I started
bawling finally see the other
kids were ~~on~~ and when I
kissed Tammy goodbye for the

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last time - I nearly had a fit. I
ran out to the observation platform
and nearly froze. But I did see
him 'till the train was away on
its way. It didn't take me
two minutes to undress and I
knew I fell asleep immediately.
In Columbus (about 5 o'clock in the
morning) the porter wakes me up
and hands me a telegram - ~~type~~
I was petrified - I couldn't even
open it I thought the kid - Baby
Joe - I don't know what ran
through my mind - anyway I
finally opened it and here what
it said - "Darling I miss
you already. I love you ~~all~~ ^{all}
Sem.

How's this for a letter-
I better call it a novel.

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Reading that over I realize
what a bore this must be to
you. But it's really too swell to
keep to myself.

It is rather incoherent
but I believe for three
days and four nights - it's
a pretty fair description
of the telegram. Sammy
forgot my birth for
which I have been cowed
send the telegram first.

I guess that's enough
I'm sorry it's so long
but I hope you had as
good a time during
the holidays as I did.
Hurry up + write
Love
Me again

I didn't even know my name
when I came here
that's all.

Screwsball is his pet name
for me. The other fellas like
Cutie Guss - Kentucky Rose + Rose Lee



CO. B. 27TH SIG. TNG. BN.
CAMP CROWDER, MISSOURI

Dear Boopsie,

The phone call was heavenly. See, just think, five more days and we'll be together again. I worked late last night and got caught up on everything and was all set to relax and write letters, when the regimental Lieutenant found a shortage in several items. So, I had to check every receipt from March 1st till now to find the discrepancy. I'm halfway through now, but I just had to quit and write to you, I'll get the checking done later this evening. I'm still working on a hotel reservation. I have two rooms in Japan so if we can't do better you'll stay there. ~~The~~ See

days have been going quickly
until you definitely said you
were coming, but since then,
they seem to stutter and
hesitate as if they're afraid to
go away. I got two letters from
you today little sweetheart and
I guess I read them ten times.

By the way, the reason
I couldn't tell you about
California was that the Colonel
and the Lt. were both in the
next room, and the transfer
of men to alert zones is a
military secret. The story is
this. They're organizing a new
camp at Sacramento, Cal. & they're
taking an efficient force out of
Camp Crowder for instructors and
organization men. You have
no voice in the matter, of
course, this being the army.
But, it's not at all certain that
I'll go. Tell you about the finer
details when I see you.

Not much has been going
on. I had to check out two
deserters today. Look about



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CAMP CROWDER, MISSOURI

four hours to get all the work
done. Oh me.

Mind's blank now honey
I guess I'm tired. I got Alice's
card today. It was very
thoughtful and I'll write to
her tomorrow.

Goodnight and keeping
my fingers crossed till
Saturday. Don't forget, drive
all the way into camp and
have the guard tell 616
and I'll make arrangements
for our change of quarters
to issue you a pass.
You'll have no trouble finding
your way here. So, goodbye
until our anniversary.

I can't say this will be a
second honeymoon, because
every minute we've lived
together has been a

continuation of our first
honeymoon, except when I
was a cross patch.

Say hello to everyone.
It's midnight again my darling.

Fare

Daniel

dear father,

We've been on the train
two days, and surprisingly
enough I'm not worn out yet.
We have Pullman accommodations
and a new army kitchen.
The food isn't as good as
Muffy used to make but it's
passable.

As in all groups there are
~~said~~ some likeable fellows
and some of whatever's
opposite.

Betties were assigned in
order & I got a lower with
a fellow named Bruce Franklin.
This will amaze you, we've
both slept soundly and

comfortably. We're not allowed to mail letters until we arrive at our destination, but if I get a chance I'll mail this.

We're in New Mexico now, and the men bidding a fellow from here.

Pringle remark "There's better looking land under the sky river" quote me.

We came all the way across Kansas yesterday and were allowed to get off the train at Hutchinson, for exercise only.

We're coming to mountains now. These are

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purple mesas in the distance
and we just passed a
bunch of cattle, white faced.
& not bad looking.

It was actually
cold last night and
still is for that matter.
The windows are open on
a permanent basis, and if
it rains, will get wet.

When I arrived in
Joplin, got a ride to the
Comet, stopped a few
minutes, ^{at Blue} called home &
Rhoda & spent the day
with them. I was so
blue, I won't go into it
but times were tough.

~~7~~
now coming in to Las Vegas
and it's time for breakfast
so I'll hold it for a while
I'll resume writing later.

Set to Albuquerque N.M.
through uninteresting looking
country, at the station had
fun with an Indian Salesman.
He had beads for \$3.50,
he made himself. I told
him I used to manufacture
them. He assured me they
were hand made, quite a
discrepancy (no doubt I didn't buy them).

Played some bridge for a
 $\frac{1}{40}$ th and won a dime, now
I can get you something for
our anniversary. If my gift

comes late, please forgive
me, it isn't really my fault

Had a lumpy ride last
night, didn't sleep too well.

We're getting to California
quite sandy, desert in fact.

There's always a mountain
in the background, and
the country has an
interesting look to it.

Incidentally, I left out
Arizona, didn't see much,
slept through it.

We're entering Cal. at
The Needles. The desert is
not as bare as I imagined,
it has grasses, fellow here
tells me they're sage & greasewood

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so far I have had no
opportunity to mail this
I'm going to get it ready &
see if I can't slip it off at
our next stop. I miss you,
I love you.

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Fayne dear,

Broke the monotony a
lit this morning. There was
some boxing going on, and
not quite realizing what
terribly bad condition
I was in, I volunteered.
Twas a very aggressive
light heavy from New
Jersey that I drew for an
opponent. We used 16 oz
gloves. Came out cautiously,
but he caught me right
away with a blow to the
Solar plexus, whatever
strength I had seemed to
be gone, couldn't lift a
finger, let alone a whole
arm. I clinched and
hung on until my head
cleared. By laying on him

in the clinches and an occasional left hook to the stomach, managed to keep him away. ~~With~~ The referee was on my side and told me when there was 20 seconds to go in the final round. I tried to rally and landed one good left and a few rights at the bell. The crowd did the judging by the volume of noise, so I won the decision. There'll be no more boxing for me unless I can pare ten pounds off, and get better conditioned.

Suppose no ill effects from the bout and uphold the honor of

try in a fairly equitable manner.

I set a bridge game together, but there's no place to play that's comfortable enough to encourage playing, so no bridge. I haven't played one hand of poker since the trip started, can't even stand, and went 2 broke.

am in storybook places that will have to be nameless, but after all this is over, we can see them again together under different circumstances.
I appreciate the goodness and sweetness that you all now more than

met. That doesn't quite fit into this paragraph, but topical or not, when a guy wants to tell his wife that he loves her it'll fit most anywhere.

Saw a USO show this evening. Colored pianist stole the show. He had a tremendous amount of technique, hands big enough to cover about 12 keys easily and a flair for right hand upper key punctuation that wouldn't stop. He played in about double boogie woogie time.

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theatres.

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now, there's an off
chance it'll get posted
right away

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