

July 10, 1940

Dearest Gene,

It was a pleasant surprise to get two letters in one day, although I still feel as low as a sneak that for not writing any more than I do.

I have fell in love with my new shift all ready. Some days I work so high as 13 hours but an ordinary one is 8 or 9 hours. They will pay me for 4 hours a week now then carry the rest over until I leave the job. It will be about the same as getting something for nothing.

There is a possibility that I will be able to get a day off when my hours are ahead enough; maybe about the 20 or 21. We will let nature take its course for a few days then we will make more definite plans, but my fingers are crossed.

I am glad to hear that you was among the few to hold down the job. Maybe by now you can see the benefits of trying as well as I can. I never regret ^{or} have ever missed a cent that ~~that~~ I have given for anything.

Sure I would like to go to Dayton with you some day. We will drive up there some day when I am in ^{together} with you. I don't know for sure what day I will have off but it ought to be one or two

in the near future. It won't be any bother at all ~~for you~~ for my folks if you come down over night, because they said it wouldn't.

Ernie I don't know if I will ever be able to give you what I think you deserve, but I will do my best. Don't you worry about what I have done for you, because you have given me three fold all ready for everything I have done for you, which is only a drop in the bucket of what you should have.

Tell grandma hello for me and to keep smiling as she has always smiled.

Ernie take it easy, the work, don't over do it. Please don't try to do any more for me, I am accepting more than I should from you as it is.

Thanks especially for the "Habeas Happiness". I feel more happy already that I might be able to do something for you on the 20th of this month. Another thing I will try to do is to write more often, because I feel much better when I hear from you.

Thanks a million for the interest you have shown in me.

Good Night to the sweetest girl that I have ever met.

Respectfully and Faithfully yours,
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