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Thursday 24 May / 45

3 P M

Dear Faw

Oh Boy! after a 17-day silence
it was grand hearing from you
again - and such a long letter.
When we feel it so much I can
imagine how hard it must be
on you to wait for mail. Even
Peggy was wondering she called
a couple of times hoping I'd
heard of you when she had it.
We don't care who gets the mail
first just so one of us does and
knows you OK. I phoned Peg
immediately and read your four
pages to her, so she's hoping when
she gets home to Rep to write them all
to mail for her. So glad you
got all the packages. I was
beginning to worry about that
engineering book, the other

stuff if lost wouldn't be so bad.
Am also glad Peg's pic arrived OK
as that ^{you} promised be hard to replace.
Those things were mailed so
long ago I'd forgotten I sent them
till your letter this A.M.

The box with the beer is the last
one I sent as you gave us orders
not to send anything more till
requested - Sorry I could only
send 2 bottles - when I put 3
in it was over 5 lbs - Maybe I'll
try it again some time. Thought
surely those two would be broken
on arrival.

No more news from Mary Malone
but maybe I'll call her when
I get home tonight.

Last week I sent you some
pics of the dining room after
all the panels were torn down
(see work ^{any}) Not too clear but

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thought maybe you'd get a faint
idea of how it looks - Dot got
an awful surprise when she
saw it - You'd have to see it to
know what a difference it makes.
If I'm working next fall I'm in
hopes I can afford to do the
living room, I didn't want to start
now as we need a new rug and
furniture re-covered first.

Dot left last Monday and you
can imagine what a void it
left, especially so having her and
Joe in together - It's sure lonesome
without her. I think Joe has
changed a lot - He's always
pinging and nose cracking and
so agreeable - He treats the kids
as grown ups and there's no
facet finding - After June 1st
I think he's going to look for
a job - Say, he'll have to
because this will be his
last musing out check.

He'll also get his 80. pension
check but how long that will
keep up he doesn't know, He
manages to spend it all within
2 to 3 mths. Will he ever learn to
save?

Jimmy has had his second
operation for that cyst and he
wrote Helen saying he is pretty
sure its been successful this
time - I hope so. He'll probably
be in California for another two
months.

Bob left Monday at 1 P M &
at 3 John Seegal set fire to
a load of papers in their cellar
which necessitated calling the
fire-dept. No damage.

Wed at 6:45 AM we had to
call an ambulance for
Grandpa. One of those nose
hemorrhages. Tried 2 Drs. but
they're as scarce as cigarettes &
meat. One finally arrived from

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Kings Co, of course they're only
first orders (no interies) and he
acted awful dumb. We finally
told him show interie packed it
last time (5 or 6 years ago) and he
did likewise so it stopped. Pops
O.K. now, but its a scare when it
happens. at home - 9.30 P.M.

~~Paul~~ I think you
better bring me home letters
from as a souvenir - this one
is awful.
No other mail tonite - thought maybe
there would have been some
from Dot.

John Hamazaw (up the block)
he's 17 - was caught with 5 others
committing a burglary..

He was caught once before
but let go. This time they
confessed to 30 other burglaries
They say he got 6 years. I suppose
that's to be expected when you
figure the type mother they

have. Seems a pity. That's about the only local news.

Just phoned Mary Maloune and she hasn't heard from Frank since April 26th - Like us she has been dying to hear from Dr after V E day. His last letter mentioned places he'd been - Werns and places she said the names were too long to be pronounced. Said he'd be miles from there by the time she got his letter. Doesn't know a thing about the 3186 Co - outside of the 4 fellows who are with him. Says they keep traveling all the time and live on IOK rations -

Fan seems all my letters lately contain bad news - Had thought of not telling you this but feel someone would probably send it anyway.

John Duffy was killed in ~~act~~ a plane crash

ow V. & E. day. They weren't on a
bombing mission, but were
on a trip into Germany to see
some of the places that had
been taken.

Mrs Collow came in tonight
to tell us - never having met
her I thought it so nice of
her - says she dreads meeting
John but she knows she
will have to and she felt
you would like to know.

She stayed over an hour.
She sure is a lovely person.
John is fine and likes her
for. Tell Mr C hasn't worked
since last Nov - his nerves again.
Says Mrs Duffy learned the news
of via phone before the official
Government notice - She is
keeping up very well and
feels Johnny was such a good
toy and daily communicant
that he must be happy.

Mrs Collow said they were a

very very religious family - practically
living in Church. As much as
this may shock you Faw, you can
imagine how it will affect Collon.
That's mo of his personal friends in
less than 10 months. I know
Faw you will want a mass
said for John so I'll have Anna
send the offering to Fr Walsh. Mrs
Collon told me Aisanna's bro told
them they had a mass card from
you for Joe.

Mary Malone asked me to remember
her to you.

Anna Keegan says send
her cigarettes back. Now she
laughed when she read your
letter and learned you had 7
carts. The situation is so
bad here one would be
tempted to pick up butts if there
were any discarded ones.

11.30 PM Faw and I want to catch last
mail - Love and prayers from

Mom -

Do take care of yourself - Has the cough gone

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