

Muncie Ind
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Dear August -

I will try to write a little this morn but I am awful tired. I didn't get much rest last night and after that ride I was tired. Wilma came out with me and then I took her to the house she is renting and went to town and got groceries so I haven't had much time to rest yet.

It is so lonesome here without you. If the Dr would say so it sure wouldn't be long till I would be up there. So when ever he says it is alright to come up there you ask Miss McCoway if she can get a room for me at the y and I will be there in a little while. I will have \$135.00 after

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The girls pay me so that would be enough to start on.

Marjorie just used my lipstick to see how she liked it and Barbara grabbed her and kissed her so she would have some on. I put my slacks on again today and they are so big I am going to have to make them over.

Marjorie said to tell you she couldn't write this week but she would next. She is really working now. They think Bud will be home by the last of this month.

Wilma & John just came and Wilma was calling Mike, crosspool Mickey. He fell in Lucas crosspool. He is a dandy.

Oliver called today and wanted to know if I still had those gas tickets. Jimmy can't get any gas till after the 21st so I gave

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them one. I still have 3 so I will have plenty. Well I think I will go to bed and finish this in the morning.

This morning - Now August I am going to tell you something I don't know if John would want me to or not but I think you should know. He has found out in different ways, from what both you and I and Dr. Neeson has said. That over a period of several years you haven't taken the care of yourself as you should not because you didn't want to but because you either felt to bad to make the effort or because you didn't have the money to do so. He understands why you haven't. He said his father does the same thing. But it is his job to report what he finds and he said he really didn't know how far the company would go after they had the

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Silicosis taken care of. He said before, that they would see the whole thing through and I think if he can have his way they will do it. But you can never tell. So here is what I want you to do.

Just make every minute you are there count the very most. Eat the most and best food you can get and drink to the drop so much milk as the Dr wants you to and you will have made a good start when you get home.

I want you to find out from one of the Dr if the Silica could help to aggrivate the asthma condition. That is very important for if it could, you could expect more from Bells.

John said every man that had worked and lived like you had deserved a chance and I think he will try to help you, but if you know a lot about it too that will help. I

don't want you to let this upset you but I thought you ought to know. I talked a lot coming home trying to get it out of him and I finally got him to tell me so I know just about how he stands. I know he will try to help us but it remains to be seen just what the rest will do.

I do ~~know~~ know you are a long way from well and it may take a long time to build you up but I know too that you are better than you were when you went up there. You looked so much more alive (that is the best way I can put it) and I was plenty happy about it and the fact that you are starting to put on flesh on your stomach means a lot. But that asthma and all is going to be a tough problem. You must tell the ~~Doc~~ of every little change, every thing that is different for it may be the very thing he is looking for to help you. Just see how quick that medicine helped your stomach. See why here is the

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mail man all ready and I missed him. I will
have to take this up town.

Your check came it is for \$4.94 that is 20¢ more
than it has been for the 5-13-4 hours may be you got
a 15¢ raise. That leaves me \$5-0.72. I just wish I
knew ~~not~~ how long they will keep coming that
way.

I weighed myself this morning and it is 156
now instead of the 184 it was at Christmas.

Barbara just asked me if I was a
blond. I told her I was a Brunette, she
said I thought they had red hair. She
sure is dizzy. She gets some big ideas.
Now darling please don't worry about what I
told you but try as hard to get well for I want
my old sweetheart back again. I am lonesome for him
with all the love I have
Mabel.

Wilma is sending you a hat. It was
Mr Benneons brother that is in the Service.
It will need to be cleaned but it is a
good hat.

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