

Gales 7-19-26

Dearest Daddy:-

Feel kinda lost to day
loose - don't just know what to do. Slept
like a top last night & feel fine this
morning. Was talking with Dr. Vidal
last night & he told me if the care of
the kids was too much for me, to
stop it & if anything I didn't feel like
doing it just to stay home & they
would send someone else. Think
I'll be alright now, tho as I feel O.K.
again. Saw the little pair of humming
birds yesterday afternoon. Aren't they
dainty? Wish we had some at home.
When we get our home built with
the inside court with it's flowers & trees
I'm going to have all kinds of beautiful
birds in it. It's so smoky here to -
day. Tho Forest fires must be terrible.
Hear praises of you on all sides because

of the delicious lunch. Wasnt I a
wise one to choose such a peach
of a man? I feel like I had done
something quite brilliant dont you
know? Do you suppose now that
Daisy has her divorce she + Lyle
will be married? Better look lively
Dad. Lyle always was jealous of you
as I was told. Is Jimmie still in
St. Falls? Poor Jimmie - too bad. Wonder
if I kinda started the trouble by
fussing about those letters. I'd hate
to think I made Jimmie unhappy.
I dont care about Daisy - she had
it coming. Well dear heart, how is
everything out home? I wrote Mother
that if she didnt get someone to
help her, I was coming home. Mrs.
Elliott said to tell you she was sorry
she didnt get to see you & thank you
for the good times, before you left. Well
sweetheart mine I must leave you
for this time. All my love & kisses
Yours - Alena.

Lalew-7-22-1926.

Darling Dad:-

Too bad you had to miss such a good trip, but it's all in a life-time. I missed you too a whole lot sweetheart. Got the bibles I sent for - am sending them on - the little affair I sent for for Jackie turned out a complete fizzle, so guess I'll not have anything to send him - darwin. The letters for Bobbie & Billie will have to be put together & pasted. You can do that. It's cloudy this morning. I'm still feeling fine only I'm worried to death - nothing doing yet. If I can't go home to stay in September, I'll get a two weeks leave & go for a visit. How's that? I need + I wouldn't get tired of having you home all the time, love me. But I am afraid you would find it monotonous after the new wave off. I'll sure be joy to be

able to be home once more + plan
ahead. Wonder if that time will
ever come. Played some croquet with
Higgins + Mrs. Elliott last night +
got beautifully whitewashed. Our
picnic is a joke - they are going to
have one for the kid's Sunday,
but no one else is in on it. Pretty
good - a lucky thing you didn't try
to stay for it. It's cold here this
morning. Think H.V. Vidal is right
when he says, take your winter
underwear off July 4th + put it back
on July 5th. Don't think anyone will
now suffer here from the extreme heat.
Did you ever look Mrs. Hogan up?

Well sweetheart must say Bep
+ go show Rip the spring. She's
thirsty. I'm not saying whether
will be careful or not. A Bushel of
love + kisses

Always yours
Alma

Galew 8 - 30 - 26.

Sweetheart mine:-

Well dear heart
what say you? I'm anxiously
awaiting your letter this P.M. +
I'm hoping you didn't get
peevish, but you know how
it is. Am taking in a
specimen of spithum this
morning for testing. Miss
Ma^c Cauley got back from her
vacation - she's looking fine.
Was thru Pennington, but said
she hadnt any idea where
we lived so didnt stop. She
also said Dr. McCauley asked
her if she saw my youngsters
while she was out that way.
Was rather surprised at him
being interested. Arent you?
He's a pretty good scout at

that. The kids here are
all fine. Am taking sun
again. Took 30 minutes
full exposure this morning.
Pretty damn good - Mary gadding
around having the time of her
life & then coming home
for Mother to wait on. But
for Heaven's sake don't say
anything. I would be the
same as stepping on a
hornet's nest. Dr. Vidal was
asking again if we got
the little place by Arrington?
He seemed quite interested
in it. Well Love Boy I must
go to the office so Bye Bye with
all my love & kisses
I'm yours always & only.
Aling
Love for my kiddies, too.

Sweetheart Mine -

Just a line this
morning love boy. Was talking
to Mr. Vidal & he said he
would examine me next
week & let me know about
going home. I'm hoping.
What say? I'm feeling
just fine. Was so excited
about it I nearly forgot to
write. Just love you would
sweetheart. Hope everything
at home is O.K. Glad Mrs.
Taylor liked her flowers.

Bye Bye honey.

Love & Kisses

Yours always
Aling.

Halew Sept. 23, '26.

Sweetheart mine :-

Back into routine again Daddy mine. Sure wish I was home with you & the kids. Lonesome is no name for it. But such is life. Today was weigh day & I only lost 1 of a kilo. Not so bad. What kind of luck did you have getting someone. How are mother & Jackie? I nearly got into a fight this morning. King was down for a few minutes & after she left I said something to the bunch about Jamie being so far behind in school & made the remark that he certainly hadn't had the education he should have & Cora started bawling & said someone was always knocking the Orphans Home in L. Falls. Can you beat it. Suppose she'll go to Elliott with a hard luck story now

+ I'll be in for a wow of a time. But
listen honey - I'll hold my own. I sure
didn't intend to hurt anyone's feelings
or tramp on anyone's toes but if they
want to take it that way & make
themselves miserable, it's jake
with me. King is going home
Friday Oct. 1st so you let me know
immediately if you can have Jimmie
there at the train for her. It's the
night you go out to Havre. And say
loved, are they going to cut out all
Pullman service to Havre the 1st or will
she be able to get a berth from Helena
& if she can will she have to
change at Havre or can she go
straight thru to Glasgow? Be sure &
tell me, will you please? Vic isn't
going home till the last of Oct.

Everything here is about the same.
They have some new patients at the

Pavilion: Sure studied yesterday - nearly all day. Am so far behind in it. It's all cloudy this morning & the wind is blowing. Pretty chilly. Wouldn't surprise me if it ends in a snow storm. They haven't had any snow here yet. Well darling Boy - I'm thinking of you lots & loving you with all my heart even if I am a nag when I'm with you. Just my disagreeable nature & you know you can't go against that. But I'll try - I know you are trying too & it's beastly of me to keep thinking of what has happened instead of what is going to. But please honey if there is anymore for me to know tell it to me - don't let me find it out any other way cause it's just that that keeps me riled up. I was in a pretty decent frame of mind till I happened to

find that slip of paper with all
those debts on it + so discovered
you still were hiding things from
me. See? But I love you dear & I do
believe you aren't going to do things
like that again, but please don't
leave anything for me to find out
some other way because I do I
can't help getting all worked up
about it. I mean things that have
already happened. I know you're
on the square with me now. Well
love mine it's mail time so Big
Sweetheart with a lot of love &
kisses

Yours always
Alma

Halen Sept. 25-26.

Sweetheart mine: -

Just to say I'm O.K.
+ feeling fine. Still coughing some &
my glands are disagreeably again,
but such is life. Gee, honey I
can't help wishing I had stayed
home while I was there. It's
devilishly hard to resist the
temptation to ask to go home &
stay. How you such a lot bear
boy & my head's buzzing with
plans regardless of what I said
to the contrary. Makes me furious
at myself when I think how damn
miserable we were on that trip over
after I had planned on enjoying
it so much. I should have taken
you by your nose & brought you to
time & you should have used
every man method on me. Oh

wall no use crying over spilt
milk, but never again. Just the
right kind of a day for a good
long walk, loved mine. Come on let's
go. We'll go up & have a look at our
"garden of eden" to be. What say?
It's mail time honey so Bye -
Be good. All my love.

Bye dear boy - get the Pictorial
Review for me & keep it, but be
sure & get it.

Aling

Will you take this wrapped off the
yarn to the Art Dept of strains
on the third floor & get me
another skein of ^{blue} yarn like
I haven't enough to finish my
blazer. Please.

Helen, Oct. 14 '20.

Daddy Darling:-

The next job came so early yesterday, I didn't get a letter out to you & that means no letter for you Sunday night as am going to try & persuade King to take this to you. Sure hate to see King miss it!! In fact I'd feel bad.

He's about as happy as a person can be.

Got my lessons all ready to send out that was I'd have a few days rest from it or so & behold! another one comes traveling along. So that means more

studying. Haven't touched my new dress

yet. Can't do any more to my blazer

till I get more yards. Got a letter from

Mary yesterday - she said Rose went to Widdow after her & took her to Lk.

Edith in a row. She also left a row
at the end of her problems for Mary to
take. I rather hope, but I might well be
obliged to begin, wedding present yet?
With a row. This is a serious
morning - some skinning - the air is
driving - the water is beautiful - partly
covered with snow. What Mrs. Hays has to
see - James goes pretty badly - I'm sorry
it happened that way. What is she
going to do - I'll be as concerned if she

has to stay alone, worth it? Is the new
season - a good substitute for the match
she gives one row put up with talking the
of other very good at working. Better go a
little bit about about giving to take away my
dear - don't you know they are going to
be scarce - so many fingers. Success you
figured Ed had been coming on last year.
Also pretty good, I'll say. I wouldn't mind if
you could anything to be able to come home, not at
we'll see. I'll be here hoping. I would be
love + sweet to you & my babies. Always your
Alma.

Halew - Oct. 4 - 1926.

Sweetheart Mine:-

Sure was glad to get your letter last night honey. Don't worry dear Boy - I know it's pretty hard making ends meet right now, but will make it yet. Don't get discouraged. When I get home we'll make out a sort of a budget & stick to it. Sure wish I was coming right away but guess the time will pass soon enough. And listen honey, will cut Mas's expenditures down to rock bottom this year. I was only joking when I told you what I wanted - because after I once get home it will be damn little use, I'd have for a suit case. But some day when we have the money to spare I do ^{really} want a nice traveling bag & a nice

"Bobby set" - that is a mirror - brush & medium sized comb. But this year we'll go slow on everything & set us a limit & also a certain goal & then see that we make that goal. I'm glad you managed to send Mrs. Peters some. Mrs. Vidal was saying that Eleanor & her husband were over at Klee's Lodge now & that she surely was going to tell her I was here & have her ~~beat me up~~ drive over someday. Pretty nice of Mrs. Vidal to be interested, wasn't it? You know sometimes I'm almost tempted to really make use of her interest & friendliness just to show Elliott she isn't the only one who could have a stand in if it was wanted. She gets my goat the way she tries to rub it in to all of us about having a stand in. She may have with the

MacCauley girls, but I'm sure it doesn't
go any higher. To tell you the truth, I
think it's the first time in her life she
ever had a real look in at popularity
& it's kinda gone to her head. Between
you & me she's got a bit of a crush
on Mr. Carlson & if I were his wife I'd
resent her air of conquest. Patty? yes,
but she rubs my fur the wrong way
& I must show my claws to some one
so I picked on you. She rather imagines
if a man fuses with her she's got a
pretty strong look in. I don't mean by
all this rambling that we are at odds -
no such thing only you know there's
such a thing as too much cake. Get
me? and who else would I tell things
to but you, poor mine? Belle is leaving
a week after Doctor gets back & there's
some plans a foot for a party. If we decide
on it I'll let you know just when & as it is

before Halloween that perhaps you could
arrange to come then instead of after
the first. You can send your suit & have
it cleaned & pressed (then don't wear it
until you come over) & it will look all right
right. See? Oh daddy dear it will be good
to get home once more. Have my other lesson
about ready to send in. Borrowed a book
from Eddie Reynolds on newspaper writing &
construction so that means more study.
You see I have a certain plan formulating
in my mind & it's going to take darn hard
study to put it across but I've my mind
made up to this - If I'm not going to be
able to do my work I should do, I am
going to earn the money to hire my part
of it done. I absolutely refuse to be
just a nonety & misanthrope. I know Boy
of Mine it would be O. K. with you for me
to lay down on the job & let you shoulder
it all, but honey, I refuse. Just isn't
in my line to be absolutely dependant. Well
dear heart must cease raving. All my love Sweetheart
Alma

Halew, Oct. 7 - 1926.

Daddy Darling:

Well boy of mine how goes it? I'm feeling fine; didn't gain any this week, lost about $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. but I shouldn't worry. I'm as fat as I want to be. I told Mr. Betty yesterday that I was going to start reducing and what do you think he said? That when any one started reducing it was time to send them home. Some wind blowing - it blew all night & looks stormy. There is supposed to be an entertainment out here to night - it was to be a couple weeks ago, but turned off too stormy. The Red men from Butte are putting it on. Gee, I worked hard this morning - cleaned & scrubbed that damn bath room till I'm about all in - made me cough like the dickens. Think I'll let it be the last thing I do that. Am going to

see dr. Getty this morning about
light treatments on my glands. They
are worse than ever. Got a letter
from Aunt Jennie yesterday + one
from Mrs. Walters (in Calif.) Also one
from Buzz boy. Dear little kid - sure
will be glad when I can be home with
them again. What kind of a woman
is Mrs. Atkinson? Sure wish Mrs.
Whittaker would stay, but such is
life. Am still working on my ^{lesson} course,
wish I could get it ready to go this
morning, but am afraid I won't have
time. Oh dear it loads me, wish we
had plenty of money. I would like to
make some nice curtains + scarfs +
pillow cases while I'm here if I just
had the cash to buy them. Do you
suppose sweetheart mine we will ever
have quite enough to do just as we
want? You didn't say what you thought
about my nice house I sent you. I was
rather proud about it. I missed my blue
dress. It looks not so bad. Be good dear one.
Bunches of love + kisses. Alma.