

Evansville, IN

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Dear Al,

Although sometimes I try to make myself believe I'm getting kind of used to you being gone, but at the same time theres that awful all alone feeling Al all alone even on Sat and Sunday with no one to give all my love and kisses to or no place to get them from and worst of all not even a letter today which sure does make the day seem long no matter what else happens. Well Al I guess the time don't only seem long to me, for I'm sure it must be a lot worse to be way out into the world all by one self with nobody around at all to even care enough about to talk to, And not only does the time seem long but it really has been a whole month today that your gone but that letter yesterday Al gave me lots better hope when I seen that you might be thru there by the end of this month, theres nothing like your coming home Al but even if this won't be possible I'll sure be darned glad when I don't have to write Kokomo on the outside of the envelope. But no matter what happens Al don't worry I'll always be keeping that love and everything else for you. Well after I finished writing to you Friday night I went straight to bed dreamt a while but slept fine the rest of the night for it poured down raining all night long and Sat morning until about dinner then Katie and Ed went to market Ray went to the barber shop and I went uptown got me a new pair of shoes black strap slippers they look pretty hot but I believe they ought be a little bigger guess I'll have to take em back. While I was still in town it started to snow came down pretty fast and kept it up this morning everything was white and still snowing almost all day today I believe its pretty cold out now I bet you had plenty snow too Al for all reporters were that everything was snowed under up north. Just dress warm and don't do like at Rocksport lay on top of your bed half the night. Don't do that Al until I'm there to cover you. Just like always went to both Masses this morning and this afternoon was down at "Mesers" a while looked at all there old pictures while we were their and brought a bunch along. Some of them are plenty good wish you could of seen them didn't know every body looked so goofy. Aunt Lizze and Mesers were up here for supper and all left a little while ago about 9.30 Oh yes Oscar was here all afternoon and is still here. Made a freezer of ice cream and fired up when we ate it so it tasted fine I thought of you Al and tried to eat your share and if I'm not too tired and sleepy when I get thru here I'm going back out there and eat some more I'm sitting here at the library table now with just the table light burning Oscar + Marie are in the kitchen and the davenport and the big chairs (one would be enough wouldn't it Al) are all empty and there's a nice warm fire and the rest are all asleep. Oh Al there's no use to worry so darned much but you know how I feel when I look around and think instead of you being here and us sitting together we're hundreds of miles apart. But nevertheless Al I'm going to send you just as much as love and as many sweet kisses as you would if you were here. And I guess we can both still be glad that you still have you're work and as long as everybody's well things could be worse. Al I hope you're cold is better and your feeling well. Everybody around here is well again and Marie and Oscar said Hello Ossie said he was looking for a letter this week but didn't get any. Your Mother + Dad were in church this morning so their alright too. I'm feeling fine and as good as can be expected as far as health is concerned so don't worry. Well it's getting late again so I'll have to quit for this time and send all

my love + kisses and take some more kisses from my ring and go to bed. They ain't go so much pep any more but always do some good in driving some of the blues away anyhow Al.
Goodnight Al with a big hug and a kiss from Sunday night.

Elma x

Oscar going home and told me to number my pages I guess its about 11 oclock. Wish you were here to leave with him and I could tell you Good night Al