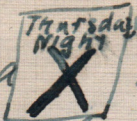


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Dear Elma:

Just got through reading your dear letter for the third time, that I received as I come home tonight, well Elma it is now past my bed time but you know that I cant go to bed without sending a good night kiss to you, which I think you will get for Thursday night when Ossie is there again to see Marie you just tell Marie that she aint the only one that can get a kiss, for here is a big sweet kiss Elma  and if she dont believe it show it to her that you got one from her for Thursday night, well Elma we had school tonight and it is about 9:15 now but we dont care at least I dont care Elma only I wish you were here then I would care about going to bed dont you think or Elma, then I would never get to bed late I would be the first one in bed all the time Elma I would beed you to bed all the time and be there waiting for you to come to bed (and how) with a big kiss to meet you, well Elma it simply looks as though I cant write straight across these sheets when I sit in my rocker with my feet propped on another chair and rocking away and scribbling at the same time

Elma I bet when you read that letter I wrote
last night you think, he sure writes as if there
was something wrong with him writing such
crazy junk like that, but Elma you know how
it is a person feels kinda tuff, and cuss
once in a while and then he is liable to do
anything and especially when you are for yourself
and nobody else to worry or that you can
torment to satisfy yourself ain't it so Elma.
or I guess it is a good thing that you ain't
here other wise I would be tormenting you Elma
something terrible once in a while dont you
think so Elma (and how would that be, you
couldnt even begin to think what I
would do to you Elma if you were here with
daddy Elma wouldnt that be real just think then
daddy could kiss mama all the time, well Elma
I will have to stop all this craziness and brace up and
write something else, well we worked in town today
and I changed 8 telephones and tomorrow we will
also be in town for we are waiting for material to come
from Indpls for the Rural lines or telephones, the weather
was real nice and warm today and a lots of snow
melted so it ain't so bad anymore, well Elma our Boss
said again tonight that by the end of this month every
telephone in Kokomo had to be changed and he said the
big Boss from Indpls said it had to be done so that means some
work till then, well that dont sound so bad after all, well
Elma here comes lots of kisses and plenty love for all the
times you get a chance to stop of and take one so dont get nervous
for kisses, I am well and hope you are Elma **GODD NIGHT ELMAX**
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