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Dearest,
I'm not so sure this is going to work out, sitting on the bed with pad on knee. It's uncomfortable slight but how you'd going to read the writing I know - still, it'll be fun on the long winter evenings.

Tomorrow:-

No, I'm sorry honey, it didn't work out. The truth is, I've had a touch of what we call dingo fever a funny name for a spasm of shivers & sweats that goes in a couple of days but leaves you very weak. Today I'm feeling fairly good - & tomorrow I'll be back to normal. The truth also is I'm not really in the great mental shape to write to you, my pet, but you write such lovely letters to me that I must reply as soon as possible, & anyway, I don't

like for you to go too long without a letter from me. To save a great deal of brain fog that'll only leave me with a headache I'll just stick to answering your 89 (Dutch right).

Y Rasmussen is a funny thing about these penicillin, ridding little 2-day flops-outs that we get out here. I read your first paragraph & it says how humorous I was in my 62 & 63, yet right now to be comic would be painful - maybe if I just took a lil' sip of bubbly it'll brighten me up - I'm not troubled with the stomach this time, it's the old Swede.

I've heard from Hinc & Mike. Hinc is chocea with staying in Carracks! My, it takes all sorts to make a world. He said, too, he's starting swotting with some old C.S. Exam papers as he's heard that a limited number of vacancies for established C.S.s will be granted in various grades. Mike is at Malta loafing around in 120° F & wants a

Persian rug. Remy is shortly publishing
her new books of poetry & short stories
- you might have better luck with
this one if you're interested. Mike
said he was sure you'd like the
poetry.

My next parcel of rugs - two 6'x3'-
will definitely be the last unless we have
some extra special reason for needing
addition. That parcel, well, of course,
contains the second rug for Doris. After
that I'll be pleased to send rugs &
carpets to anybody who would like
'em, BUT, cash first. I shall be
here at least another 3 months so
that I can send two more parcels

I think I can promise you
suiting material, baby, but I can't
do anything about it until next
month at the earliest. I'm going to
try & save a little cash for coming
away - gotta need it'll be useful.
It's so hardship for me to do this shopping

darling - honestly I love doing it for you. I only hope the stuff I get is useful - I get so scared when it comes for me to choose something I know you'd be most careful about. One thing I'd like to say, sweetheart, don't ever be scared that I'd be offended if you thought something isn't what you'd choose - I shall be very surprised if everything is O.K. Anyway, you'd better tell me to stop me buying more of the same stuff - I'm a lad, I am.

So you want to go to Foreman Inn? Well alright then Foreman it is. About the end of the year send to the Town Clerk for brochure so's we'll have the latest dope on the enjoyment capacity position. Another thing, darling, on account of we might be able to hire a car will you have a go at renewing my driving license at some time. If the application form has to be signed by me you can send it out by air - the old

license is, I believe, in that old Egyptian looking wallet of mine. You can get an application form from any Post-Office & do the whole transaction by post. I haven't done a lot of car-riding with you, dearest, but I see you've got the right idea. That'll be the right time to teach you to drive seeing as how it's somebody else's car - I ain't throwing any bricks, sweets, & I know you'll be as good as the best at learning, but even the best make 'awful crashing noises with the gears in the first stages.

I think I'd better go lie down again - aint I an old fesspot? Sunday I'll really get down to it. However, an aching head doesn't prevent me from ^{the} realisation that in sickness or in health whether near or afar, you're the light that leads me out of the deepest gloom, just as you're doing now.

I love you
K.

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