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After 5 days, return to
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30 Washington Square,
HAVERHILL, MASS.

Keep



Miss Ruth Pyle,
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Reno,
Nevada.

Wednesday

My Sweetheart.

May 16, and commencement. Congratulations Sreaky. I could hear the applause even here in Haverhill.

This morning at eleven while you were having your commencement I was having one too. Here's how it came about. (you see I like to make a long story of it because it entrances me. Does it you? - wait and see.)

you know I've been working
in my room, on that burner
design. This morning I went
down to take the candle
power, and Christian, the com-
mercial manager, said he'd like
to have me take a look at an
automatic water heater in a
Jewish Synagogue with him. Well
we tended to that, and on the
way back got to talking about
this burner. We got back at
eleven, and I brought up the
question why Stone and Webster
didn't have an experimental
station to work out these
stunts, instead of trying to get
someone with no facilities at
all to fool around with them.
He stalled around a bit - then
he said - "Tom, can you
keep a secret?" -
"Sure" - says I -
"Well" he continues "we have
talked about that in our

managers meeting - and the
question of hiring an industrial
man came up. The idea was
to get some fellow who would
divide his time between the
five New England Gas companies,
and each Co. pay a portion of
his expense. Vittinghof was in
favor of training a man ~~for~~ in
the organization for the job -
preferably some student engineer.
Three fellows were considered -
you, Balser and some other

fellow I've forgotten.

(Baker came to Havenhill a year before I did, and was later sent to Fall River)

Christian again - "I told them that Baker lacked the proper amount of initiative, and that I thought you were better than Baker. The result is that you were given these tests to do, and if you show the proper interest you are to be trained as an industrial

salesman - engineer, to divide your time among the fine companies."

well that nearly floored me, because it's the thing I had hoped would someday come to me, never dreaming that it had come already if I could produce. It cheered me up a lot too, and made me see more and more the importance of showing genuine interest.

But doesn't it all sound mighty good to you? It does to me sure enough.

By October that proposition should develop in great shape, and we'll be better able than ever to meet the great day.

Sounds like a home in Boston from where I can make these places each day and commute back in the evening. Oh I've been for it.

Tonight I practised "Sheila" to sing at a reception

Friday night. Tomorrow night
there is a meeting of the
office men at the office -
Supper is included.

Oh I'm loving you, Sweetheart,
and I'm happy too, that now
your strenuous time is over
and you can rest a bit. You
will won't you? Oh please do!!
Here are kisses a million to
you, and a bear hug to make
you forget all your worries -
😊 today and
yesterday too 😊

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Love, Love XXXXXXX
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