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New York 11/29/52
10 Uhr abends.

Liebster Kind! Ich habe nochmals, im Sime Tonic Krämer ein Roast Beef Dinner im Waldorf Cafeteria für 90¢ verschlungen. Jedesmal wenn ich nachher die sage ich "wie wieder," aber dann trete ich es doch wilder, ohne selbst genau zu wissen, warum.

The train arrived on time, and at 9:18 I arrived at Penn Station, but the train had left 8 minutes earlier, and now I must wait until 12:30. Actually, this is very nice, since I can take Cecil & Loeb to some other restaurant and study there, then sleep enroute to Washington, and "tomorrow on the train south, whenever I am not asleep. Despite of a very crowded train - all Providence seemed on its way to N.Y. - I succeeded in doing some work, though not as much as I would have liked.

Except for the very good reason which motivates it, this trip would be quite unbearable, - but it is strange how much poorer reason has over me. I suppose I would travel through hell's pain, & if I thought I had work to do there, - and tonight New York does not depress me nearly so much as it might.

If my legs did not ache and the metal support in my left shoe did not press on my foot so insistently, I would visit St. Maria's Place on a pilgrimage, - but then even Penn Station has its hallowed and historic aspects. I visited the telephone booth into which I once dropped a fatal bullet on a May morning, and I shall go to the corner of Broadway and 94th Street, where I once got a ride. I also paid my respects to the newsstand where you bought the paper on April 1, 1951, the where headlines declared Mathewson's death. I wish I were not so tired - or all the well intentioned in me would come out and ride to Staten Island on the

(2) ferry. I still find a "package store" from which I shall get some imported medicine for mother.

My thoughts kept returning to the ironic fact of our not staying in Philadelphia, and my now taking a train to retrace that frantic and erratic journey. I hope you will not be depressed by this paradox, and will not make a symbol out of it, to make it into something which it is not. ~~It seems~~ We shall have to make up to your parents for the disappointment + inconvenience that we caused them.

As for my trip home, I am surprised how slight my fears are. I believe that father is all too ready to fear the worst, and judging from previous illnesses I hope that it is not serious. On the other hand, my mind is so well acquainted with serious thoughts, that their reality realization will not unnerve me.

You forgot to send your greetings to Harry, but knowing your feelings toward him, I shall express them most heartily. I also forgot to give you the address of the Boston Medical Library. It is 8 The Fenway, Boston. Would you ask Alice to tell Trevor how to explain my absence to Drs. Babynski and Richardson; also to pick up a quip for me in Friday's preventive medicine, if I am not back - which is doubtful.

I wonder what you are doing now. I hope not feeling too lonely. Write you write to me, if you do send me their present address so that I may answer the overdue letter. You should also get round tickets for "down town" - don't be afraid of spending money. It will probably be worth while. Call up the Opera House to find out where to get the tickets, and whether they are "all sold out."

Now that I have gotten my money's worth out of this card, & it is 10:30, I must write to the Dean Office. Be careful, and be good. I shall think of you at the Concert Monday night. In Gedanken sehe ich Dich ganz fest in den Arme, und bin bei Dir. Dein Arthur.

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