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Sweetheart dearest – this sure has been a red letter day for me as far as getting letters is concerned. I got two day, [sic] one from you and one from Miss Mary. I guess she gave it to Gib to mail and he carried it to Wichita Falls. You know yesterday when I didn't get a letter I just knew that something like that had happened, and I know now why I had the blues, because I didn't hear how you were and you have no idea how I had looked forward to getting a letter yesterday.

Honey I'm so glad you didn't have any fever yesterday and hope that the same was true to-day and will be so forever. I know you are weak dear and you haven't any idea yet how weak you are. Just wait until you try to do something that used to be awful easy for you to do like running up the steps or even walking real fast. Honey I'll tell you it's an awful funny feeling, and it always made me mad, because I was weak – but when I once started going I thought I never would stop and didn't until I weighed 170 lbs., more than I've ever weighed since, honey maybe you will gain a whole lot now. I wish you would until you weighed at least 115 or 120 pounds. Darling don't you dare go to work until you have been up for at least five days, please do that for me won't you?

Tell Miss Mary that I certainly did appreciate her letter especially since I know how busy she must be.

Darling you don't know how good it seemed to see your handwriting on a letter and I hope that I will see it real often now.

I am glad you liked the flowers but they weren't the kind I ordered. I wanted red, pink and white but guess I ought to be satisfied that they got there alright [sic] at all.

I knew today would be an awful day in lab. You know I told you we were going to have a practical, well we did, and I got out at 5:30. That is I got thru with my last bird at 5:30.

Tonight we play Texas at the Y.M.C.A. (Later) Well we have already played them now and lost 20 – 12. It was an awful good game during the first half and at the end of it the score 8 – 7 in our favor in the second half they started walking off from us and for the best part of the time played rings around us. We should have won because absolutely we missed some of the best shots at baskets I have ever seen, why one time the ball was half

way in and then it bounced out. Well that is almost the last BB game we have I thought we played them two games here, but it was all a mistake. The team goes on some kind of a trip playing A & M and Texas, and I think SMU although I am not sure, then when they come back, we play Southwestern a couple of times and that will end the season with us at about the bottom of the list.

All our pretty weather is gone again down here, and it has been raining again to-day. So far it hasn't been a bit cold though and I'm in hopes that it won't get that way anymore. Darling I sure hope for your sake that it doesn't get cold anymore. Goodness me but honeymine I sure hope that you are getting better real quick now.

Have you heard anymore about how Madeline is? Isn't it to [sic] bad that people have to get sick? The is one reason I sure wish I were a doctor and see sweetheart if you got sick then I could take care of you myself.

I wish you could see the pretty violets and also some pansies that are blooming down here now. They sure do look pretty honey and I hope they will be twice as pretty when you come down in June, especially the Cape etc

You know I was telling you about one of my profs being sick and that we weren't having a class in that subject. Well Sunday he wasn't expected to live more than 48 hours, but I think he fooled them and is getting well again. I sure hope so anyway. Well the point is that another bird is going to take his class and so I will have to go to it again tomorrow.

I am going to have another chemistry exam next Monday, dear, so pray for me. It doesn't come until in the afternoon though, from 1:30 until, 3:00 and then a lecture until 4:30, isn't that a nice way to spend an afternoon though?

Last Friday when I got Edward's telegram Zuleeka was right by me and every day since then she has been asking me how you are getting along, and just lots of others have also dear. You are known a whole lot better down here than some who used to go to school here.

Well sweetheart mine I've said it before but as it's very important I'll say it again, take good care of yourself dear, and I'm so glad you were without fever and hope you stay that way. Remember dear that I am always thinking about you and that I love you,

With all my love,

Otto