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Dear Ethel and Jimmy

It has been a long time since I have written to you and I have owed you a letter for a long time to. I am sorry that I am so delinquent in my correspondence but I will try to reform in the future. I have been waiting till I would have something definite to write and now I have. I am working yes honest it seems all most to good to be true but it is. I am working for Lockheed nites for 57¢ an hour and time and a half for overtime and I work eight hours overtime a week. I think that is pretty good for a start and I get a 6¢ an hour raise at the end of two months if my work is satisfactory.

We are planning to move to Burbank in the near future so as to be a little closer to work and we are wonderin if you two would like for us to keep in mind while we are looking for a place to stay so that you could come over and try your luck here. Our offeris that if you want us to we will try to find a house or an apartment that would be fairly confortable for thefour of us and little mary and not pay more than thirty five a month for it and as much less as possible of which we will gladly pay twenty five a month. I think that for thirty dollars we should get a nice place for what we need. Then on food we could go fifty fifty and try to get by as cheaply as possible aI know and you know that cheapness is a major consern for us both.

I do know that things are picking up fast here and I woul d like for you to come.

JIMMY

Jimmy if you think that you would like to go to Warrens I believe that we could cut the expences down so that it wouldn't cost so much. In the first place I would get five dollars for getting you to go that is the only form of salesmanship the school uses is a comission to the students and ex-students that secure new students. I would gladly refund that to you so that would help that much and you have your own tool box be sure to bring it if you come and I would let you use my book. All and all I think that as far as the school is concerned you could get by well under fifty dollars. In the mean time while you were going to school you could look the whole town over and try to get on something else if you would rather. Burbank isn't far from the school- about 20 miles and you could ride the bus to and from school for about a dollar a week.

Tools that you should have.... Tool box, small hammer, 3/32 punch 5/32 punch, #10 drill, #20 drill, #30 drill, #40 drill, #50 drill, a pair of tin snips, a six inch steel rule graduated in 1/64, and a six inch flexable rule and a screw driver and a pair of "C" clamps. Many of the above you will have and I will check the ones that I have that I won't be needing for a while so that you can get a good idea of what you will have to buy. I don't think that there will be much left to buy. Please write and tell us your Ideas on the subject and I do hope that you will come. It is about time for me to go to work now.

Yours Harry Mary and Julia.

P.S. The grape vine has it that lots of major hiring is going to be done in JAN. of 1941.
P.S. We are supposed to know all of the Decimal Equivalents of Fractions up to $\frac{1}{16}$. I'll send a card

3012 Severance St.
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Dear Ethel and Jimmy,
maybe you've heard — well anyway Harry has a job at Lockheed. He started working last night. He works from 4 P.M. to 12:30 P.M. six days a week (Sundays off) and gets paid \$57.4 per hr. for 40 hr. and ~~time~~ and a half for the other 8. We're moving to Burbank next — well about Nov. 15th. we haven't been house or apartment hunting yet but plan to within the next few days.

Now for the main issue — we'd like very much for you two to come out and try the same thing if you're interested. We'd like for you to stay with us and Jimmy goes to Warren School. Now that Harry has a job we thought maybe it would give you confidence in the idea. Harry has an idea whereby Jimmy could get the same course at the same school for less money than he did. Harry will explain that and possible costs of transportation if Jimmy should ride the street car as he knows more about those things. (Enid told me to tell you that she would come get you at Thanksgiving or Christmas whichever you preferred. Harry and I favor Thanksgiving if not before → of course Enid wouldn't be able to get over there before Thanksgiving. Enid said it would be cheaper for Jimmy to ride street car than to drive once he was here and she thought maybe you wouldn't want to drive your car over here. By her coming for you it

wouldn't cost you anything to get here.) we will all want to live cheaply so Ethel's Social Security should take care of your part of the expenses easily. We would have different eating and sleeping schedules but we could everybody take care of himself and it would be O.K. I'm sure. Anyway if you are as lucky as Harry and we feel quite sure you would be, it would be only for a couple of months or so so you probably could put up with us for that long. We could come to some sort of understanding about who is to do what and when. We could have some meals together probably and some separate as was convenient. anyway we could work out some sort of schedule whereby everybody will be satisfied. We want the set up to be as convenient and happy for everyone as possible. We really would like having you with us and we will like giving you this opportunity if he is interested in this type of work. We will keep this in mind when we look for a place to move and we hope that within the next few days we'll get a letter telling us that you two will arrive at Thanksgiving time if not before. Of course you could come at Christmas time or whenever you choose but we advise - the sooner the better! And by the way, Enid told me to be sure and tell you that Burbank is really just a suburb of Los Angeles and is not a town clear across the state or anything like that. Gee, I wish we could talk it over. Writing seems so inadequate sometimes!

I feel ashamed for not having written to thank you for the snuggle bunny, dress, sweater, and little shrub or whatever you call it but for a while I just neglected it and then we heard that Ethel was in Chandler and then too lately we've been waiting until we could say definitely that Harry had a job. But even at this late date

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hope you will know that we appreciated them very much and we thank you. Mary has worn the snuggle bunny and sweater several times and last Thursday she wore the dress to have her medical examination.

Mary is fine and we think she gets cuter every day. She laughs and talks (well, makes funny noises that we call talk) a lot. We're to start giving her Pablum in about a week. She is getting to be quite a big girl now and has lots of hair. I bet you won't believe her when you see her again - I said lots of hair but what I meant was lots for a baby her age and it is fairly long. We're really quite proud of her - and now we're beginning to think maybe we're justified in having her.

Last Sunday Harry and I went to the museum at Exposition Park. It would really take a week to see everything.

Well, I must close and I hope to have a letter from you real soon and hope you two will be coming soon.

Love,

Julia

P.S. - Enid says to send her love and tell you that she too really hopes you'll decide to come out. She likes the idea of having you two live near her!