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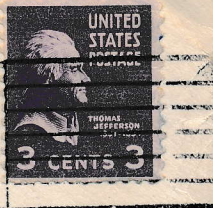
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Dear Ethel and Jimmy

I do hope that you two do come and do write to us and let us know how you are doing. It is nice here and I like my work better all the time. I was hired as a rivetter but never did any so far and I am beginning to doubt that I will. I have been fitting the skins (.032 aluminum) to the wings. I like it better than rivetting anyway. They seem to want all of their new employees to be qualified to rivet and then if they think by the use of their tests that you would readily qualify for some other form of work well that is where they put you.

I had a most thankful thanksgiving yesterday. I had the day off with full pay and it sure felt good to think that today when I go to work that I will get a check for just about 29 dollars. That sure will feel good It will be the first full weeks check that I get because they hold back the first weeks pay. I got 17 dollars and thirty cents for working four days and that was after all deductions were made including my insurance policy. I am insured against almost everything in the way of sickness and hospitalization.

Jimmy the punches are drift punches and the drills are all slightly larger than the fraction sizes to allow for plenty of clearance for the rivets which are classed on the fractions but vary somewhat. They are just plain carbon drills and can be bought here for 15 cents each. If I were you I would wait~~d~~ and get them here because they have them with a much sharper point than most drills - made for aluminum and its alloys.

Where we live now is much closer to down town los Angeles than

Burbank would have been but it is quite a ways from Burbank where I work. In fact we live much closer to the school where I went and where I now go than we do to where I work. It is about a fifteen min. drive at the most tho so it won't be bad for either of us.

In relation to the distance to the beach it is not so close but it is just about the same distant from the beach as you and Enid were last summer. Which isn't so far either. Ethel do you remember the Griffith Planitarium where we went and you so wished that Jimmy was there to see it - well it is just a very few mil from here. I haven't been up there but it is on a hill so that we can look right up at it from here.

About the house I will let Julia tell you most about it but It is on the whole nice and cozy.

Yours

Harry

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Hollywood, Calif.
Nov. 22, 1940

Dear Ethel and Jimmy,

we're so glad you plan to come! a week from Sunday will be Dec. 1st. That isn't so long off. We sure hope you can get over here by then. We are sorry that Jimmy's father has a broken rib and hope it mends rapidly.

We have living room, dining room (archway between), kitchen, bedroom, and bathroom. — the same amount of room that we had with Enid. We plan to move the table into the living room and convert the dining room into a bedroom during your stay with us. Enid is going to let us use her drapes ~~between~~ on the archway for more privacy. I think it will work out quite nicely. We think it will be fun and are looking forward to having you with us.

I don't think our schedule should bother you. You can have your schedule too to fit your plans. Although our schedule isn't the most ideal, it really isn't as bad as it might seem. I always go to bed right after I feed Mary at 10 P.M. so I don't ~~see~~ sleep so late in the mornings usually — Mary needs to be fed and bathed. Harry usually sleeps until 10 or 11 A.M. as he doesn't get to bed until about 1 A.M. However, he can sleep through an earthquake so we don't have to be quiet.

Enid and Vernon were here yesterday afternoon (Thanksgiving Day). We went out to dinner together. Enid is quite thrilled over the prospect of your being here. Enid

and Vern think Ethel would have no trouble getting a job. However, I'm quite sure you needn't worry any about the finances anyway. We're pretty good at stretching pennies and feel quite sure that you are.

Harry likes his work fine and we think Jimmy would like it too, as he is mechanically minded. All Harry's friends that he went to school with and now works with are very enthusiastic about their jobs too. We live much closer to Warren's Aircraft School than we would have ~~should~~ we moved to Burbank. That will make it better for Jimmy.

We're still quite thrilled about Harry's good fortune and can hardly wait for Jimmy to get started in aircraft work. It's a growing industry and should hold a future worth working for. Harry is so happy it just sticks out all over him — and of course I am very happy too.

I think of a million things everyday that I would like to tell you or discuss with you — but let me get a pen in my hand and my mind goes blank!

We hope to see you soon — three months is a long time. You will hardly know many.

Write us when to expect you.

Love,
Gelia