

Como P. Q.

My dearest Edward

July 20<sup>th</sup> / 43.

After rather a busy day in town I called for Ruth and brought her out here she and "David" & too the journey well, and they are comfortably installed here - the baby is much more attractive than I expected him to be, he is really a fine little fellow and very good and contented Ruth seems to be a very good "milk waggon" -

I had a letter from Mary yesterday and one from John today, Mary seems to be enjoying herself very much - John's letter tells of lots of picnics, and plenty of work <sup>(IN NAVY)</sup> his ship seems to have plenty being done to it and riveters etc are hard at work - I will keep these letters for your inspection on Friday.

I hardly realized when you were here that this week end 24<sup>th</sup> + 25<sup>th</sup> will be the last one before Anne & the Byers take over. So I have begun already

to try and get things in shape both  
within and without! They have asked me  
not to exert myself in so doing - I  
have had a cheque from Zude which  
I have put in my account, as I am the  
one who has transacted the business  
and will also have all the work in  
connection with 'the same' - This money  
I thought would primarily be used for  
Summer holidays - I am paying Mary's  
hotel bill for it - Mary paid her  
train and Pullman fare - and bought  
part of her clothes necessary -

When I leave here I intend going to  
Montreal, it is very lovely there now and  
the house requires about a week's work  
right now - all sorts of things need  
attention, if you are not able to have  
your holiday in August. I can be  
well occupied there, with my pottery  
etc. or I can pay you a visit in  
Ottawa. — Chere comes up for

Helis about the 3<sup>rd</sup> of August and  
I would be glad for us to use her house  
there, Will writes begging us to go - he  
says that they have a swell maid etc  
and that he would close the house.  
etc - If we did not want to go so  
far, we could amuse ourselves up  
North, stay a few days with Hugh or  
a few with Glen and then go to "The  
Chauticdeer" and finish off at Coma -  
It is very aggravating about the rag weed.  
but I certainly would like to give my  
nose a rest for it this summer - I wonder  
if we would have enough gas to go north in  
our car? it would make everything so much  
easier -

Anne went off to Helis last night and  
I can't help wondering how she and  
Barbara got on? -

I hope that you had a comfortable  
journey to Ottawa with your father and  
mother, it seemed most fun and

lonely when I came back from the  
station - I missed you all very much  
I hope that Mr W. still continues to  
improve - Please give them my fondest  
love if you are speaking to them, and  
tell Mrs Winslow that I delivered her  
letter to Anne -

I cut some more grass today, and  
did some pruning to make room for  
a baby's clothes line -

Much love and looking forward  
to seeing you soon. (Friday).

affectionately

Lis.

July 20, 1943

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