

August 17, 1969
Sunday
London, England

Dear Harold,

Hello! How are you doing? I was very happy to receive your letter and hear how ~~you~~ you are doing. It was a great boost to my somewhat

dragging spirit. I almost feel guilty for having one when I think of what other people have to face but I do nevertheless every now and again. I find it discouraging having to work where I do, it's so unworkable and time wasting but it's one of the few American jobs open and English work permits seem so difficult to obtain.

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I hadn't realized when I came to London that I'd be having to support myself or I would have tried to figure something better out. Anyway it seems unimportant at times (only when I'm not at work!))

The article enclosed is from The States' Stripes - the Armed Forces paper. It's kind of strange but they've covered the Ray business more than some of the other papers. Strange considering the military puts it out.

I don't know why but your description of my last two letters as being "breezy" struck me as being quite humorous. I often feel my letters may be a bit choppy, and wish to

write more but feel I don't want to take up your time with small matter (such as my opinions or feelings lol) But then maybe it would be a break from all your difficulties and hard work. That would be pleasing to me.

I do enjoy when you go off on various tangents in your letters.

Yes, I hope you slow down a bit.

You do such a tremendous amount of work and overtraining yourself won't be worth it in the long run.

Really, I hope you not over doing things.

I signed up to take one of these military sponsored three week round trips to the States at Christmas time.

My mother lives in Arlington so maybe I'll come and visit you one day if it wouldn't be too much trouble for you or if you still in Maryland for the holidays.

Even though it's questionable whether I can raise enough money for that, I also signed up for two short trips - one to Athens and one to Venice. I couldn't resist. If you're going to sign up for a trip you might as well go all out and sign up for a few besides it's a good experience living in poverty - we'll see if I think that next time I visit you lol No but they are worth a little sacrificing. Should you want anyone contacted in these

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cities, just let me know. They won't be until October and November.

No, I don't prefer mistaking you but once I get use to calling someone

Mr. no + so it's difficult to change over. I'm glad of the changesover.

What other books are you working on? You don't work completely on

your own do you (minus any type of assistant) that would be an impossible load.

I'll be seeing my prof these weeks so I'll see if he's seen anything of interest. He reads some American papers. I only read English ones.

Also when I show letters to friends I sign it love; so I'll

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write again if anything turns up in the papers or any other medium.

Take care of yourself and slow down a bit. Okay?

Love,
Cindy