Dear Mollye:

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It's courin Roz writing to you and letting you in on the latest what's what with the Trachtens.

Remember my telling you that I was supposed to spend Sunday with my in-laws? Well, I got into New York about 4.10 and they were there waiting for me, my sister-implay Lil and my brother-in-law Harry. Since I had Rosey's pen and shirt and had to drop them off at the Pennsylvania hotel, that was the first stop. But when I asked at the desk for Babe they said she had checked out. Gee, I felt bad as I wanted to see her so much. From there we headed for my mother-in-laws place. Got a nice receiption, nicer than I, frankly, expected. Had a swell meal, chopped liver, chops, and etc.. My new father-in-law is a peach, sweet and Norm is the spitting image of him. My mother-in-law is quite attractive, a little plump, but doesn't look her age. I suppose it's because she had a nice head of natural black hair. Norm, too resembles her. Guess he's a combination of them both. We all sat around, talked and kibitzed and we finally decided to take in a movie in town. Saw a swell show at the Paramount, ate afterwards am headed for the train station. I took the 12.45 back to Boston and my mozel, I get on a train that was only an hour and half late when we pulled into Boston. That ended a really swell weekend.

Mom was so tickled to have us all home at one time. It would have been complete if Norm had been there, too. Made me feel badly as I know that will be the last time we'll all be together like that for years. Jack, too was in and looks pretty good. Maybe, the army has done him good after all, and in more ways than one.

About a month ago Norm and I took a picture together in a studio and I finally got it.

Naturally, I sent it home immediately. Mom should get it Monday and if you have time and care to, drop over the house to see it. Norm absolutely looks beautiful in it, but of course he is beautiful. Ha, ha, well anyhow, I think he is. And he's sweet too.

Game my in-laws several of the snapshorts we took up here and they were delighted. Boy, they certainly worship the ground Norm treads on. Perhaps it's because he's the baby of the family.

Lil, his sister is very pretty and dresses beautifully. To sum it up, they're all either good looking or very nice looking. I picked myself a nice family to get into. And they are just as nice to be with as to look at.

When Norm comes home after his cruise is over we're going home to New York first, I'd like my new Mom to meet my real Mom. Don't think anyone can compare to my Mom, whe's one in a million and I adore her. Norm's cruise should end about the 19th, so if everything goes off on schedule, we should be home about the 21st. Make it sort of nice to be home around the holidays.

From the sounds of things, Norm must have gone to Trinidad for his cruise. Says it's warm and he most likely will be quite tan when he comes back to the states. Tan or otherwise he'll look good to me. I certainly have missed him and am really getting restless for the time when he'll be with me again. I wouldn't mind it so much I suppose if I were home, but here, the same old routine day in and day out is almost driving me nuts. Oh, well! pretty soon I'll be home to stay.

It's going to be so strange and lonely without Arno around. In fact, I can't imagine how it will be without him. He and I have always been so close and I love that kid so. He is getting leave soon and I had planned on having him up here for a weekend. But from the looks of things, he's changed his mind and will probably go to New York and stay homer

In the long run not having to go through goodbye with him is sort of a relief. I know I'd bawl all over the place and nothing is more upsetting to someone shipping out. As I told Mom she'll just have to give him an extra hug and kiss for me. I still wish he could have come up here, though, I had plans of showing him such a swell time. Shucks!

I'm definitely getting the lenses, that is if I can have them for my type of eyes. As you know, Mom definitely objects to them and forbids me to get them. However, if I can wear them, I'm getting them. My in-laws think it's a wonderful idea and say I'm quite attractive without glasses. Hate to go against Mom. And if I can't wear them after I get them I guess I'll never hear the end of it. You said it takes quite a bit of time to get them so when I come home again to say, will be the best time to make arrangements. Seems rather a shame I come home again to say, will be the best time to make arrangements. Well, if God is with us, he can see later on.

Anything new concerning Bess and Bob? Does Bess like Trenton? Although, wherever Bob is would be home and O'K with her.

I'll say so long for now, love to you and the rest of the family.

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