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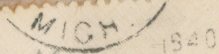
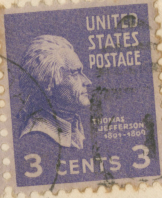
My Dearest Mary,

I'm so sorry to hear of your illness, I really hope it isn't too serious and I hope you are o.k. soon. It looks like Doc lost part of you doesn't it! — The rest of you should be just that much sweeter than, don't you agree? ha.

The gang went 25 miles north of Flint <sup>(a lake)</sup> for the Fourth. We had sort of a picnic and then danced, we had our own drinks, had quite a nice time. — The Parks and other spots are really going good this year, all names, and the theatres having have been having the best stage shows.

I've been out of work the past three weeks, out on strike, was in Iowa one week, no pleasure trip tho. Mary & Bill were up and they have the slickest ~~car~~ car, '40' Plymouth, beige in color. I guess I'll have to sell mine if I can. I'm so damn tired of this place, ~~I'd~~ I'd like to go someplace else, I can have my pension transferred wherever I want. Why don't you write?  
Love  
Allen

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**VIA AIR MAIL**

Miss Mary Switzer  
2700 Napoleon Ave.,  
New Orleans,  
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A. Galer  
Bt. 1134-A Rte. 3  
Hayden Park,  
Mich.

July 9, 1940.

My Dearest Mary,

Mary, what in the world is going on down there? What has happened? I must know, I'm almost crazy. All I know is that I received a package about half an hour ago from a "J. Scott", with your engagement ring in it, Mary what is the matter? I don't even want to think our engagement is broken. Mary Darling I love you so much. I don't know of anything that could have happened. Have you ~~seen~~ met someone else? I won't and can't let you go like this, we love each other, we ~~are~~ like the same things, ~~too~~ after my trip last winter you can't tell me you don't love me. I've written often and you never answer. Mary I must know, if necessary I shall come down. Please answer immediately if you want to keep me from going completely crazy.

All My Love  
Allen

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July 18, 1940.

Dear Mary,

Will you please let me know how we stand? You should at least have enough regard for me to let me know. As it is we are wasting each other's time, anyway mine. I can't understand what can have happened. Of course I realize with all the attention you've always had from everyone, it's terribly hard for you to think of anyone else. If you could be so kind as to let me know I'd appreciate it. In my opinion this has been entirely too one sided all along. I'd like an explanation and my class ring.

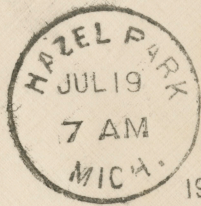
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Dear Mary,

Will you please send my class ring to me. I value it greatly for entirely personal reasons. It's my H.S. ring and probably the only one I'll ever have. If it were any other ring, or if I had two or three class rings I wouldn't care, but I haven't so please send it to me. I hope you enjoy your work and let your family and relatives still influence and rule your life and overrule your personal desires as they have in the past and recent past.

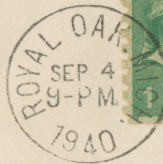
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