

Transcript of Tape 1, Track 3, Gen's letter to Dot.

[unknown] See, it's on.

[Gen] Hi Dot.

This record is gonna ... this tape is gonna be a ... one that you'll have to dope out for yourself. The other side, we started as I told ya on Sunday last, when the Daly's and the Tergesens were here unexpectedly. The reason I'm trying to finish this now is ... Mike has been here and showed me how to use it.

So I wanted to let you know that we found out today that Daddy was slated to go to the hospital on the 8th of December, and uh, up to 133 West 58th Street in New York, or another specialist hospital in, uh, 73th Street. But he was slated to go in the 8th, operate the 9th. He would be there for 10 days, which would leave him coming out the 19th of December. Otherwise, the day before Kathy's wedding. So, when we got this word today, I called up and asked if we couldn't have it moved earlier in December. And they said "No," because it's very hard to get a bed, and that was the earliest they could get one for.

So I also questioned, eh, couldn't we leave it then till after the 17th of January, which is Chris' wedding day. So they told me that the beds are so hard to get that I would have to call them back sometime in January, which I plan on doing. This way, now, I know where we're at. There for now I may get another appointment in January, we can relax, and figure on getting these two weddings over.

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[Gen] Dot, this side of the tape is more or less of a jumble because in the beginning of it, ah, Joe was practicing the Epistle for his Sunday sermon. Then, uh, Kathy and Chris and, oh, Regina and all those got in on the whole record, so I don't know if you can even understand what's on there. Just make the best you can of it, and at least I'm learning how to use it.

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[Gen] Right now, Grandpa's busy in the sink washin' up my supper dishes. As I told you on the previous note I just mailed out, the Daly's were here and the Tergesen's were here over the weekend, all unexpectedly. Little Ronnie went home with Vee and Bob, but she's back tonight, and she said Uncle Bob may be coming back this weekend, by himself, to pick up the rest of Maisy's stuff that she wants taken out of the apartment before somebody hauls it off and they lose everything that's up there.

There really isn't anything new to talk about; everybody's well, outside of this eye problem with Daddy. I'm hoping to hear from Ronnie after Thursday of this week, after she sees the doctor

and gets the rest of the reports on all her, ah, stomach tests. And when she left, she wasn't feeling a whole lot better than when she came down.

Bob Daly is also having tests made, things, ah, he's been having trouble, I don't know with what, but anyway when they took a blood count that they find some parts of it lower, er, low in whatever, hemoglobin or whatever it needs. So now he's gonna have to see a hematologist. So until we hear from Vee we won't know what's what on his report.