Letter # 51

My dearest Frank,

They're really bearing down on us here at Foster Wheeler these days, they're making us work every other Saturday. This is the first one and being the "youngster" of the Tax Dept gang (3 in all), I'm elected to serve the first sentence. I don't mind too much though, it gives me a chance to catch up on my correspondence. So far this morning I've done everything but work; cleaned my desk drawers, talked to Eileen for about fifteen minutes, layed out the work I ought to be doing and then decided that this would be a good opportunity to give you the low- down on stuff and things in general.

The "things in general" consist of the following miscellany, A.-- a rare visit from that brother of mine (Ed) and his wife this Tuesday. Evelyn came over with Chris and of course all our time and attention was spent on him until he started kicking up a fuss about being kept away from his crib too long, at that point, like all men he had his way and was whisked off to his own house in his private coach. For the rest of the evening, Hon, Ed and Doris and I had a boistrous game of bridge while Jim tried in vain to listen to a campaign speech by one of O'Dwyer's opponents. S'help me I was sure the radio would come flying out of the dining room any minute, we were making so much noise and the guy on the radio was being so sarcastic. B.-- a formal at the USO Wednesday night. It was pretty good too. I guess somebody went out and collected all the sailors they could find in the local breweries, or something, the place was packed with em -- well almost. I wore my white graduation dress, do you remember it? C.-- Saw a good movie Thursday night, Thristmas in Connecticut". Boy, that I liked, what a perfect house, and all those antiques! Let's have one "just like that there" someday, hon. Did you see the picture by the way?

And now comes the stuff or as they say it in french, "La piece d'insistance", anyhow, in short, I met that Leo man Dot's been mentioning in her letters. He's a good egg too, hon, but then he'd have to be that for Dot to take up with him. And I'm sure that as soon as we get him broken in, he'll probably be able to contribute considerable volume to the general turmoil that usually accompanies those incomparable Shields' shindigs. In other words, hes a "good Joe".

By the way, Donald expects to be home on or about the 5th of December. However we think it may be before then since they've reported that his outfit is enroute home. That may mean that they're on their way to England or some port though. Anyhow, it looks as though he'll be here sometime soon.

How about yourself, darling, have you anything definite about whether you'll be on your way by Jan. 1 ? I sure hope so.

Well, Stinky, it's about time I got down to business here, don't you think. So if you don't mind, I'll sign off here. Be good.

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