

EXAMINER 7281



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Sask
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c/o Mrs Jones, Castell Farm, Cilceon,
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June 4th 1941

Dear Susan & Geoff. Many thanks
for your letters rec^d today - posted
Langbank May 6th. It had been
opened by Censor so that may have
delayed it a little. Today has
been lovely & we have been up on
the mountain above the cottage,
we saw no one all day. Monday &
Tuesday were cold & misty. We
had no alerts. Rosa & Agnes Byrne
are sleeping at a friend's not
far away, but go to their own
house each day. Letters seem
long in getting here, I suppose because
there is only one daily delivery
up here. We cannot decide what
to do, but first think it best to

See how Harold gets on in his search
for accommodation near where
he is - he had to register last Sat. 3
& may of course be called up in
future wh. would raise more
problems. I have again offered my
house to the Coxes as I do think it is
safer than L'pool; if they will not
come I think some friends of Dad's
may come to sit in their own house, is
uninhabitable having been bombed
they have spent a year here but
it is most inconvenient as his
work is in D'head & he has to catch
a very early bus there & come back
by a late one wh. is always over-crowded
& it means he has an hour or so to
wait; so it would be much easier for
them in my house. - I shall not get much
rent as they cannot afford it but

They will only use the downstairs
rooms. There are no children only
Diana & wife, & Dar was some years
with her in the Bank so we don't need
references. I am sorry you have been
anxious about us - some of the rails
were very bad. Dar went to Mould
today to shop. The food coupons are a
good deal of bother when you change
addresses & now we are to have clothes
coupons, but I think the coupons al-
lowed will be quite sufficient for
us. We are allowed 66 coupons for
the year. I think 2 coupons for a pair of
stockings rather too small, as they
wear out inevitably. Dar has gone
to call at a farm about 15 minutes
away for groceries wh. are left there
by kind permission for us, as they
do not deliver up here. We get the

meat sent on Sat^d by bus from
Dorset to Colchester & it has to be brought
from there. We have written so many
letters since we came that we have
used up a bottle of ink! Mr & Mrs
Jones are quite fond of the two chil-
dren, Elizabeth calls her 'Joney' -
Chocolate & sweets & biscuits, cigar-
ettes are not to be had. but we do
get our rations. Harold br^s some nice
lettuces grown in the greenhouse & sev-
eral cabbages, daint & parsley - all
expensive to buy. He is sorry he has
had to give up allotment, but will get
potatoes he has set. Friday A letter
from Capt^r Cox - Dorothy was to return
from S. O. M on Tuesday he wrote - they
have work people in the house, they
may go to my house if Mrs Cox will go, but
she wants to go to see to her cottage etc

Somerset. Some of the mails to Canada have been lost, but yours seem to get here safely tho' sometimes they take a long time. There are a great many people from our neighborhood from a port staying here abouts for the duration. Today has been so misty, like going out in a fog, but the day-light saving makes it worse; now it is only 9 o'clock & we had breakfast at 6.30! One hour's day light saving is a good thing but 2 hours is too much. We go to bed at 8 by real time & the evening is the best part of the day. Eggs are very difficult to get in some parts, even here we only get a few (perhaps 6) at a time. Food is scarce for the animals the cow gives less milk than usual. Harold got some lovely flowers from our garden, tulips of the valley & big yellow tulips, they are lasting well. He also brought mint & parsley. Potatoes are

not yet planted. or garden. I suppose,
the man is really lazy. The soil seems
good tho' rocky underneath. There are
many little rivulets of water running
all the time from the hills. We have to
boil it before drinking. You will be glad
to have plowing & sowing done. They
say tomatoes will be scarce here as so
much glass has been broken with
the bombs. We had no alert last night.
There is little news in the papers, & they
have shrunk & shrunk on size & type.
Dellie Daigh's house has lost windows,
but that is a very common event & folks
are glad if that is the only damage.
This cottage has immensely thick walls &
small windows, with wide window sills -
so rather dark. I am posting where I say
as we are far from post of any kind, but
the waver children post letters at Cilex
on their way to school. Hope you get letters.
Will let you know our plans when we know
them ourselves but will probably be here
another month. Harold thought it was very safe
but was not so sure when he came here.

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With dear love to you all
from
Mother

x x x x x x x x Amarah
x x x x x x x x Bar
x x x x x x x x Tom

Thank you for calling
Photo from paper

produce the identity card(s) or a
relates in order that the address
corrected and stamped. In the ci
accept notice by post if it is
being fully completed, detached,
address, together with the Ident
the notice relates. Identity
posted back to you.

Amaret Newson

% Mrs Jones

Gastell Farm, Bulcarr

Cast. core safety
need butter & told
me he had written
to thank you for
it so letter must
be sent

P.S. I had just finished when
 your letter posted May 13th
 came. very glad to have it.
 Thanks you I have plenty
 of money, as I always keep
 enough for eventualities in
 the bank + P.O. I think
 I shall not lose my mortg-
 gage deeds, as there is no
 way to reproduce these - for
 so many papers have been
 lost + they were in the
 'yer's hands. I have not
 heard anything further
 from him but it will take
 a long time before building
 work can be cleared +
 as deeds were in safes
 they

I have never seen any of the
 papers in the bank + P.O.

will most likely fall thro'
to the very bottom of the
building & may have no
caped total destruction.

I had a nice letter from
Brian today. You will be
glad to have got on well with
seedling & garden. I hope
your aunts soon got well
again. Susan I am hoping
to hear good news from you.

There are many wild ponies on the
mountains. They push up the grass,
there is plenty of water everywhere.
Dorothy suggested our selling one or two
houses & buying another in safer neigh-
bourhood but we don't want to do so if we
can avoid it. safer districts would be
remote & not so workable. also no
part is wholly safe. tho' some are
certainly less likely to suffer than
others.

Love from Mother