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Dear Ruth:-

Last night when you called up (if you did call up) I was in the back room reading law and was in the midst of a very interesting case. When the phone rang I thought the Dutchess was going to answer. When it rang the second time I jumped up, saw she was asleep and answered it. Then we talked a little and central cut us off. Central rang me and told me it was Taylor 1817 that had called me but that they had hung up, so I presumed it was somebody trying to put one over on me and started back.

I hadnt got back very far until it rang again and we started talking, and I was convinced, when we talked the second time, that it was somebody that didnt ~~know~~ have anything else to do but play with the telephone; so if it was you talking, and I am not sure of it yet, dont be offended because I acted nonchlant. Unfortunately I didnt recognize your voice or manner, so that aided in the conclusion I reached at first. Write and let me know if it was you.

Tell mama Nat is doing fine. I had a talk with one of the officers of the company who keeps track of the men and he said he didnt have a better man on the ~~shift~~ extra-board shift than Nat. He is making sixty dollars and better a month now, on an average. He averages between \$25 and \$35 every two weeks. He is tickled over his new work, and although he has to work unusual and unearthly hours sometimes, his isnt as hard a lot as some of them who have to start at the bottom. I know mama will be glad to hear from me that I talked with one of his superiors, or his superior volunteered

it to me, in fact. I had intended writing her something along that line when I wrote the other day, but hadn't had a chance to see how he was doing. But tell her he is making good.

If you can come up Saturday morning, leaving on the eight o'clock car out of Galveston, come on up. Maybe you will have a chance to observe some court room technique, but if you do it will be rather droll for we haven't a jury term now. We are finishing up a jury case now that run over from last week, which was a jury week, and the chances are we will finish up with that tomorrow or Thursday. But we will have some non-jury cases on. ~~Week~~ Will be glad for you to come up Saturday. The chances are there will not be any court Saturday afternoon and if the day is good we can get some good color plates of you. I got in a new box the other day and am saving them for you. No ~~at~~ cold wave is scheduled for before the 15th, so you will be able to sleep comfortably Saturday night. When you come up please bring that old watermotor I used to have. I think it is there on a board, and my recollection is that it is in the attic upstairs hooked to a board. Just unscrew it from the board and bring it, leaving the board. The motor itself isn't very big and won't be cumbersome.

Will look for you Saturday morning. I am enclosing an old relic that is still worth two dollars, enough for your railroad fare. Love and kisses to you and mama.

Lovingly
Albert

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