

Mr. Mum will forward your
letters to me.

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Dad.

Will send address later
or write to Mum.

My own darling Dad,

I have lots to tell you. Sorry I
did not write before but I just did not have
the time. Ronnie and I came down to Ipswich
on a Monday. We went to the farms about 35 miles
out. Then found digs in Ipswich for 25s a week
all found. The house we are staying in, (our digs)
and we are leaving in the morning, is the home
of two Lancashire people and they have
treated us royally. We started work on
Tuesday morning, getting up at 5.0 a.m.
and stopping at 6.0 p.m. - 10 hrs including
lunch etc. We were dead beat when we
got back. The job is picking fruit and
are backs were terrible. It was worse

the next day. After five days we got used
to it. Lots of fresh air, a good healthy life
and we are looking sunburnt and
very well. There is one snag. This farmer

sweats his labour and in spite of all that work we only made 28/- not even enough for our lodgings. The workmen were very discontented and quite rightly, to day 50 or 60 hrs a week that he gets about 30 or 35/- is unfair. There was a sort of strike - we kept out - then a second strike in which we took part. The farmer would not let the workmen back but would let us back. We thought this unfair and on principle stood by the labourers and sacked ourselves. That meant looking for another job. We phoned up a farm in Colchester, about 17 miles from Ipswich. This one Steve is going to and we have been taken on, starting work there tomorrow, for a month or more.

So it has turned out still better. Cecil my friend's partner is coming to the Colchester farm on the 27th so we ought to have some good fun. Regarding the Ipswich farm a lorry picks us up every morning and thinks the men & ~~women~~ women workers are

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very ~~to~~ poor and coarse they are good fellows.
we are enjoying the experience very much, the
life is a fine healthy one. In the new farm we
rough it on the farm in a shed or something.
It should be good fun.

You will have been very glad to hear
from Morris cable that I had passed.

Apparently all our bunch (pals) have passed
also. Ronnie & I celebrated when we got
the wire from Peter.

We have not had much time for
pleasure but I shall just say what we have
done. From Tuesday till Friday we had
no time on our hands. On Saturday
Ronnie & I went to a flick. On Sunday
Ronnie & I went to Felinstone a seaside
resort close by. It is very nice. We had
a good time, though we did not swim.

On Monday Tuesday we worked. On
Wednesday there was the strike so we
went to Felinstone. Four of us went. We

went swimming. It is one of the best bathing places in England. we had a very nice day. how just as & a little romance (entirely pleasant) has come along we have to leave Ipswich. Will we sack ourselves first on the principle involved and secondly in the little money we were making - though this was Sunday for the farmer was ready to meet us soon but not the labourers. Will we shall probably see them at Felixstowe.

We have had no Tennis or croquet for Tennis or anything like that. we have had very funny weather. very heavy rain and ~~fine~~ a good bit of sun at intervals. more of the sun though, and we are both looking very sunburnt i.e. Sonnie & I. No more to-day God bless & keep you and bring you back safely to us. with lots of love and kisses from

Yours loving son Daniel.