

I'm so glad ² I chose the pose I did - but I knew the minute I saw it that it was the one. I like you like that. Dear, what happened to the proofs? Would Bachrach let you have one of them back? - If so I'd like the profile one with the cigarette. Now, you're not to send it if its any trouble, hear? - You've done enough already.

I showed the picture to Dad and he was as pleased, most, as I. - I can't wait for everybody to see it!

(Lyndon, I've a little silver bird case that I keep by it, with a rose in it.)

Bye for a minute - here comes

BIRD TAYLOR

Dearest - Saturday Nite

This morning the picture came, Lyndon!! I am so very thrilled over it, dear! Its the finest piece of photography I've ever seen. I'm so glad it came today too, because Anna Mae and Leo, my cousins, and their numerous progeny are coming to dinner tomorrow and I shall want to show you to them. - They'll be very interested. I'll display you with pride, my love!

Lyndon, that is a simply splendid - looking frame, too! I've never seen one I like as well.

someone —

Few minutes later: It was Karl and Duddy, two of Gene's brothers, going a-gigging to the lake, just dropping by to give me a drink and find out if I didn't want to go with them. Which I didn't — they'll be out too late. You must meet Karl when you come back through, Lyndon. He's very much like Gene but without Gene's brains, I think. He's my third favorite in the Doebinger family — Gene's first, then Mrs. B.

Darling, I wonder when you'll be leaving Washington and coming West? Now I am looking forward to seeing you! I think about it and plan about it all

the time, what I shall say and how happy I'll feel.

Did you know, dear, how much I rejoice in the kind of letter you wrote me last — when you were so gay and light-hearted and happy?? Bless your heart. It did me good, too! I am so glad for you.

I shall enclose your letters to Betty pronto — (you are always so efficient and I am not. But I shall learn!)

Thank you so much, dearest dear for the picture... I shall always treasure it. Goodnight, until tomorrow. Please tell me the nature of your employment as soon as you can and when you'll probably be coming West. I love you, Lyndon Bird.