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Dearest Bud; en il o b theerg sea evin vist ni vabdinid v on a line man out

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I reaeived both your letter and Paddys today. I see by the past mark it has taken a month to get here. We have had mail strikes here and they are just over. I really needed them today as it is Moms birthday and I am feeling a little low. I get like this at odd times of the year. I am so very glad to hear how well you are and getting better all the time. I have been so worried about you, and think of you all the time. I promise to keep my letters up if you do. My how I do remember those old days so very well. I think of them often. I really want you to get well so when we come home we can have a ball together and then maybe you can come here to us. I would love to have you here with me. The past 2 years has been a nightmere in so many things for me. We finally got out of probate last Novenmber. What a terrible thing that was. Then with Dads marriage, we sold our family comapny, the flat in Garfield and we had this house in Dingley. In Dec. John and I bought this house from Dad. As you know we extended a huge apt. on the back all self contained. It has never been lived in. So there is always a place here for you. What a reshuffle this has been. However, I am sorting myself out and I am learning that self preservation is the first thing. I am coping very well and I prey to Mom for the strength I need. The kids take up a lot of my time, and I am now working, so I keep myself pretty busy. I am working in a Drug store not far from here. I work over the week ends and on every second Friday. I work a twelve hour shift, John is marvellous, he takes care of the kids. The kids are very well and growing up. Mike is going to be a motor mechanic speciallicing in Auto Electronics. He finished school next year. Sadie is growing all the time and very keen on sport. Jimmie will be 7 in June. He is a darling. He is in first grade and enjoys it. He is a left hander and wears glasses. You will really enjoy the kids. John sold his Business over Christmas. He was really sick of it and after 13 years had had enough. He is working in Dadndeong with a Fibreglass firm. We aren't sure what he will finsih up in. We are not rushing into anything. I am feeling pretty good. They have my blood pressure under control. I have lost a lot of weight and I am getting fitter all the time. I am playing basketball twice a week and badmitton. I found sitting around this house I was going mad so I started getting into all these things and I feel better for it. It is very hard to explain all this in a letter. I will be telling you all the news soon myself. Well, Bud I must close this letter and go get Jim at school. I do hope you will sit down and write to me at least twice a month. I have worried about

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address also. Now you take good care of yourself and get yourself in shape for when I get home. I must tell you about my phone and please tell Paddy. EAfter our last phone bill, (sky high) we had a public phone (coin phone to you) put in. The kids have to pay for their own calls, The only thing is I can't call overseas on the dam thing. So for my birthday in July give me a presnt and call me collect. My number 551 - 1688 . I would love to hear from you . I must close for now and I will say again write more often. We are all so anxious to see you too. Take care, to i.w.I alifile s gailee's we I her years minting a most it as groot ment bebeen willer I w. box ers you flew won reserved bels wrew osall my love, ent to sent bbo to bild edit ent II um le anina has quoy trods beirrow os need even Ellenit ent lis restes maiste tie. accorded to desire to desire if you do. The new I do year of ealton . e. it omen enos ev reil. I tain of then often. I really want you to get well so when to ene nome of evel bluow E .as of ered emcorned you edyam ment bus redt to se a even no ew nave for serie with me. The weste less been a nightmere in so wany things for me. we windly sot out of probate last wovenmers, what a tenrible that was, then with leds marriage, we sold our family comapny, the flat in Carfield and we had this house in Dingley. In let. John and I bought this nouse from land. As you know we extended at emedt of and the the term of the contained. It has reven been lived in a don't ent always a pisce here for sor, what a rechuffle this has leen. However, I'am sorting myself out and I am leading that self preservetion is the first thing. I am coping very well and I brey to For tor the strength I need. They kids take up a lot of my time, de l'em now working, sy I seep myself pretty busy. I an working in a Daug store not eviews a grow I . washire bear and on every second widay. I work a twelve nour chift, John is maryellous, he takes care of the kids are very well and erowing up. Mike is gring to be a motor mechanic speciallicing in Auto Electronics. . Income solved new year. Sadie is growing all the time and very keen on sport. limite will be 7 in Jule. We is a darling. He is in first rade and enjoys it. He is sid blos miol. .abid edt yotas yflasa libw wol .cessela masew bas rebasa fiel eleges over Christian was really size of it and after 13 years had had enough. de le working in Radu pong with a Fibre l'es firm. We Fren't sure what he will finsin we even very book within the letter in I on leeling I ambitted the religion of each one and blood pressure under oditrol. I have lost of weight and I am genting fitter all the time. I am pisying basketbell trice a week and batting arcund medded feet I box sanint esend lis othi anitted betrate I os bastanio, asw I eader elit for it. tis very mark no explain all this in a letter. I will be telling you all to news and the mit test on the detter sint reole taunt but . Let . Tim at some . I and bloce beingow evan I. Atlock a polint takel to en of elign burghed like of flin sov, ench

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