

88, Beaconfield Rd
Enfield Wash
28/12/53.

Dear Arch & Ruby,

Many thanks
for your letter ^{& cards}, also parcel
safely received - Dad had
a good tuck in with the
steak and the lady next door
made us a Sultan's pastry.

I have had a lot to do
prior to Xmas and would have
replied before if I had time.

I have been after some more
views but not many local
ones available. I enclose those
I managed to get. As I could
not get any scenery which I
thought Ruby would like I

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put in some views of London
I will try some more shops
and send on as soon as I
get them. They seem to prefer
to photograph public houses.

I hope you had a good
Xmas - Dad & I went to Ted's
on Sunday he has got a
nice house with Television.

About Dad sending a card
from America or even Australia
I think when he next packs
his bag he'll be off to Bagdad

You are right about the Irish
Sea getting rough at times a
passenger ship got sunk in storm
only just before Dad sailed but
it turned calm in time and

he wasn't sea-sick he says.

But he was puffed out climbing the steps to the blarney stone - I have evidence for Ruby of the time he employed what do you think?

Well I wish you all the best for the coming year with more enjoyable walks I will send more views as I get them and try to compete with Australia

All the Best

Dear Arch & Ruby

Sen.

Thanks for remembering us again. Sen has put in a photo of me kissing the blarney stone it was worth the trip to make a change and get a good pint as you say called for in good Irish brogue of half a good sleep on the way. All the best for the New Year

From Dad

When are you coming over to see us

Thorness,
331, St. John's Road,
Clacton-on-Sea.
Telephone Clacton 4355.

23/11/62

Dear Arch Ruby,

Hope you are all well.
Len told me that you had
moved into a new house. I
enclosed a photo of the family now
nearly grown up. From left to right
on the photo is Bernard, he, Peggy
Graham Norman Bryan & Sheila in
front. This was taken recently
at a golden wedding party for Peggys
mother & father.

Bryan is studying for Electrical
Engineering with Brompton Parkinson
of Bournemouth. Graham is articled
clerk in a Solicitors Office at

Shehzad & Bernad is at a
Technical college taking a course
for Chartered Surveyors.
Norman is still at school & also
Sheila Jones.

All the best.

Harry Peggy

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Waltham Abbey

Essex

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15/10/75

Dear Aunt & Ruby,

Here's wishing you a nice Christmas.

We've had a much better year this year with plenty of hot sunny weather, in fact it became too hot for me & I had too much sun & had to keep inside in the cool for about 3 weeks. The temperature was in the upper 80's & touched 90 on occasions. In our porchway it was 108°F.

One of Mamma's relatives came over last August & stayed till April in London. She came with a friend & they both live in Melbourne. She was hoping to see some snow but was unlucky. We had a wet winter & a freak May & June. It snowed in the first week of June. The weather pattern seems to be changing. At the moment it is fine & sunny outside but a bit on the cool side.

Haven't seen or heard from Harry for some time, but he drops in quite often.

In fact he has just left to go to Enfield to see about some Income Tax claim. He's keeping pretty well although its time he goes up his motor bike, but he won't do that.

We have lots of new roads round here & more & more housing estates. The Greater London Council seem to have acquired all the spare land in the district so very few of the houses are for local residents.

I believe I told you I retired just before last Christmas but somehow we keep ourselves occupied. I wonder how I ever found time to go to work. I had gas fired central heating put in instead of the coal fired unit as it saves a lot of energy & we don't have the bother of raking out & lighting fires. I'm not too good at bending & lifting these days. We have a very pleasant aspect here & I can get to the shops in the Abbey & Waltham Cross under my own steam.

Morna is quite well & has just been changing the curtains in the bedroom. She bought a nice new blue handbag this morning, its got so many pockets in it that shell never find anything.

Linda & Rob are quite well although both work quite hard. All the best for now & ed & Morna