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Dear Mrs & Mr OConnell,

I expect that you will be surprised to hear again but I am writing to say that Nellie & Agnes will sometime be new billeted. As I think I told you I was supposed to only have one small child & by the evacuation people they consider our house too small for two. Also now my husband is in England it places me in a different position altogether. At the moment he is under the Dr for knee treatment & will after be home on rest leave. When he comes he has to sleep on the floor which isn't too good after hardships away, he deserves comfort after away to which you will agree & understand. I have asked the evacuation officer to find a nice place for them as they are clean

nice children. I shall miss them.
I think they will get billeted
comfortably as everyone around seems
to have gave the children welcome
& are doing there utmost for them.
I have told them they are welcome
to come & see us & I have done as
much as I could for them here.
They have spent their time enjoying
the fresh air & mother & I have
done everything for them. They look
very well & are very sunburnt.
Several children have been rebilleted
as it seems the evacuation was a
bit of a muddle, too many put to
small houses. Any help I can be to
you regarding them at anytime please
don't hesitate to let me know & I
will also let you know where their
new place is & all particulars. With
only two bedrooms one five year old
that could sleep with me & go in
mothers room when Cecil's home is all

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that I'm permitted to take it seems.
I am hoping that Nellie & Agnes will
be very comfortable & continue to
come & see us. Also should you
come this way at anytime we
should be very glad to see you.
Nellie received your letter this morning.
They are at school in the afternoons
this week

Our best wishes for your
safety

Yours Sincerely
D. Inwiley.

14/7/40

Dear Mrs & Mr O'Connell,

Just a few lines thanking you ever so for your nice letter to me & to tell you that Nellie & Agnes are settled with Mrs Jenkins daughter (Mrs Cronow). They went to live with her yesterday. They will have a good clean home & as they are in the same terrace are quite near to us. You will be pleased to know that they are in a good home where I think they will be very happy & comfortable. Quite likely Nellie has written & told you. Both girls & the boys look healthy & happy. I wish you all the best & trust that you will be safe & a may the war end soon so that you may all be reunited.

Yours Sincerely D. Murless

26-6-1940

Dear Mr & Mrs G Bonnell,

Just a few lines in answer to your letter which we received yesterday. Frank is getting on fine and likes it alright so far. The boys are behaving very well we can't find any fault with them. They have good homes.

We see Nellie and the other little girl everyday so they are all getting on alright. They go to the beach altogether every afternoon and take their tea with them. They have a good talking to before they go about taking care and don't do any climbing. They went yesterday and got wet, got caught in the rain but we don't mind that as long as they were alright. They are on the beach now altogether.

Would you mind sending on Frank's other clothes and shoes, because when he is wet he hasn't any others to go on. I hope you won't be offended because we have sent for them.

John Deller wrote to his parents

last Wednesday and haven't had an answer yet. I think they ought to write to him, because when Frankie had his letter yesterday, John said my Mum hasn't written yet, they get worrying if they don't hear from home.

I can't stay to write anymore excuse
my writing in a hurry to catch mail
I remain

Yours Truly
Miss Dorothy Ladner
writing on behalf of my mother
Mrs Ladner.

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So glad to have the
3 pairs of trousers &
underpants I can manage
very well until you get another
underpants. They were delighted
with their pocket money & 24
found a purse each for
them yesterday & they
are very pleased

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Dear Mr & Mrs C. Connell.

No doubt you have been
expecting a letter from me before now. Seeing that I am wrote
you twice you new just that they were alright & happy.
First I must say that the boys are good & do what we tell
them. sometimes a bit later in than they meant to be. I
get on with them very well but as you know they are boys.
& want quite a bit of looking after. I am doing my
best. I feel very tired sometimes but after a good nights
rest I feel better & go on again. Some nights cannot sleep
thinking about my children up in the big citys. The only
thing that we can do is to pray for them & leave them in
Gods tender care. That is my great comfort. he is our
help in time of need & they know that he cares for them.
The boys shoes are a care. I protected. I am also Joseph.
our roads are rough I can scarcely believe that they
could wear them out so bad in just a fortnight. Nellie
has taken Joseph to the cobbler's this afternoon she says for
me to pay for them & then you will pay me. I will do the best
I can to make things last as long as I can. the same as I
would do for my own children. Be comforted that they

are happy & content. I really think you would
see a difference in them if you were to see them
now. They get on very well with the food & have
good appetites & sleep well. & are very healthy.
Frankie is just like them very happy. I hope
you are both well as it leaves us at present. Our
youngest son is coming home from College on
Friday P. M. & we are very anxious to see him
he has been taking Exams this week & will
be home about 9 days & go back to take some more
Exams. We hope that you will not have any
air raids near you but things are looking
terrible we don't know what will happen next.

With kindest regards & God's
blessing
yours Sincerely

R. & F. Jenkins

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My dear Mr & Mrs O. Connell.

Your letter to hand last Friday the 12th inst. First I must ask your forgiveness in not thanking you for the letter I received from you before. That & also for not answering this one before. Well. I have been more than busy. It was our Anniversary of our S. School & a Lea on Saturday 13th which the boys enjoyed. It was a second Lea on the Monday evening & they enjoyed themselves. I did my washing on Monday morning & took the boys to St. John's & got Flannel Suits for them Dark Grey size 7. & 8. a size larger than they are wearing. I could not get the size in single blazers or cloth suits cheap for all the material that as come in late are not the quality & these suits are well worth the money for they are pre war stock. 12/6 per suit double breasted blazers. The boys like them very much. I am keeping the suits intact until I hear from you I have paid for them so have a discount for so doing. I am enclosing the bill. Now you sent me the 5/- 1. 0 Joe's shoes

3. 6 Damp.

8. 4 each for Hair cut.

5. 2

I have sent Joe's shoe which was split right across the toe
out to the Gobblers this morning. From St. Just. I went to
Samereed & put the boys with me to see my brother's
wife on a farm & they seen the big bull & seen them
milking the cows. We had to come back early
for the Second School tea. On Tuesday my son came
back from college & brought a chum with him
from college it was a surprise & it made me more
busy he went back again yesterday to join the
Army. He has his B. A. so you see it is a job for me single
handed. I only have help once a fortnight in the
washing. Now what you want to know most I left
until last. The boys are going on a night I have to
be firm with them but they are good really on the
whole. They are gone on the beach this afternoon &
have taken their traps with them for they have been
caught in the rain several times & on Wednesday
evening they got wet through it was a very heavy
& long shower. They are keeping fit & sleep grand.
Joe was a bit sick last Friday morning but it
soon passed off. The two girls are with my daughter
Mrs. Burnow. She is our youngest daughter & I think
they will get on O.K. They seem to like one the other.

Now let me know as soon as you can about the suits
I did the same as I would do for my own. Joe's brown
trousers that you sent has gone through. he has his light
grey one on now. They want me to ask you to send their
wellingtons they will be fine for them in wet weather
& Joe want his bathing suit but I think it worse for you
not to send it but I promised him I would ask you.
I hope you will not have any air Raids down afraid
we are in for a hard time it is a job to get the food
we want but I am rearing 30 chickens so they
will be something to fall back on if I can get
enough meat for food to feed them. We hope.
you are all keeping well. Joe & I am talks about
you all at times Joe wrote this letter I have enclosed
one evening when I was writing our eldest daughter
I had to spell the words for him but he did very
well. the one he sent in Ians letter he wrote
last week. we are all well with kindest

regards yours truly

R. T. F. Jenkins.

The boys say that
prayers. we need all the praying people to pray
for our people & country. "Gods blessings on
you all."