

32, Grange Rd.,
Brook Lane
Chester.

2 Feb 38.

Dear Ambrose.

You were quite right friend - I
owed you a letter and something else - many
many thanks for the lovely cream you so very
kindly sent us. You must believe me though
when I say I haven't had time to do
do anything outside my work. Already I
feel as though this term has been going
on for 20 instead of not quite 2 weeks.
and the evening work does really get me
down and now in addition ~~we~~ I have
got this course swimming going for the heather
the latter I must say is exceedingly enjoyable
well now to the most important subject.
Please accept our joint hearty congratulations
we were very thrilled to hear that the
great day is so near. - a month's time.

Now I must start to save up for the wedding present. - May asks me today that you must send us a list of the things you would like. The description of the house sounds very interesting - 150 yds from front to back boundary - I don't know about a tennis court Ambrose - you could get a soccer pitch on that area couldn't you? Gosh you'll quaff barrels of cider before you've got that turned over. Could you send us a snap of the house - I would like to see if it's what I'm imagining it to be. I know what running hither & thither you must have had to do to fix it all up but there's more to come before you can sit back and enjoy your honeymoon.

We would very much have liked to have you over before the happy day but I'm afraid we can't manage it. We are booked up for the next three weeks

ends. and I've been thinking it's time I went
back to Carnegie to have a look at them.
There. When you were there you more
or less promised Miss Burgess we would
go sometime this term. didn't you wonder
if we could arrange to meet there in
Leeds - just have the Sat. & Sunday evening &
Sat. morning there. & return Sat. evening.
How does this appeal to you? There is
another reason. too why I would like to
go soon - an important one - we are
expecting a wee stranger at No. 32.
Sometime in May and thereafter my
time so I'm given I understand will
be even more fully occupied. Now,
you see I've set you a standard. -
You're joining the ranks shortly so see
what you can do.

I'm afraid I have to scribble this
in order that you get it sooner - I've been

at the Examiners meeting today (Hygiene) in
Liverpool, just got back in time to walk
my bike & then get to college to give a
lecture.

Must make a dash for post now.
Again ~~many~~ and again hearty
congratulations & good wishes to you both
& remember to let us know the exact price
& date together with a list of suggestions
for gifts.

Yours very sincerely,

Ralph