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Dear Sally:

I guess maybe the family wrote you, but I had a little boy a couple weeks early on Friday Aug 13. Neither she nor I believed I was giving birth nor having labor pains - just thought I had to go to the john - started going to john about 4 in the morning & the baby was born at 9 - weight 5 lbs 15 1/2 oz. - Very quick -- so that I almost delivered in the labor room. It must be the pleasant in me alright. It looks ~~a~~ real fappy now, but it sure has a beak. In the 49<sup>th</sup> General Hospital - all new mothers have to get up after 24 hrs. & look after their babies - I was in a room with 5 beds fortunately there never were 5 mothers & 5 babies in the room at the same time. The baby is moved right into the room & stays there -- there is no nursery at all - it was a little rough the first couple of days but I was amazed

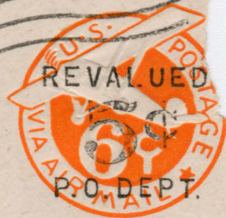
or how quickly you can get around to  
changing diapers & night feedings etc  
in very crowded quarters. I feel fine &  
little Alexander (after an unch of this)  
is a nice baby too.

Since I only gained 10 lbs I have  
lost it all - also my stomach is back  
down again - my stitches never hurt  
much so everything is fine & dandy.

Give my love to Alexander's cousins  
love

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