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abide by whatever agreement
they make. Want you think
that a better plan?

And don't be so impatient,
dearest, we are both young and
can wait. Better, far better
that we be separated for a
year even than that your
health should break, isn't it?
Have patience.

You mustn't say things
about Will Lewis to "Ella," you'll
get into trouble. (Now keep this
to yourself.) How is she? My
regards to her, please.

Why don't I see Rebekah's
ring? I don't know. It looks so

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Paul, my own. — Just now
I am as cross as two sticks
— No I won't write now
but wait later.

9:30.

Here, I feel better mentally.
I went over to the "gym" to-
night for the first time
since the night we — well,
the result was disastrous. I
was not as strong as I
supposed and fainted a
minute. I am all O.K.

saw for a little ⁽²⁾ weak nervous-
ness.

I hate to think of you plavving
so. Don't. If you break down and
become ill, what will I do? Cry
my eyes out?

Now don't think about any more
expense on my account. When I
said "Medford wedding", I meant,
of course, one that would take
place next year, not before. But
of that we will speak later - when
we see each other.

Don't be blue, nothing is going
to part us, but yourself. I can wait
years if you will. Have faith and
trust in me. I am yours through
all time.

Its too bad about Lippincott
and Dodd & Mead. If I were you,
dear, I would not allow them to
throw the decision on me. You are
likely to lose friendship either way
I would suggest that you gracefully
ask that the decision not rest with
you, but that you will cheerfully

much better ⁽⁴⁾ on my fingers than
I imagine it looks on hers, I
suppose is the curly reason.

Oh, I forgot about Miss Brax-
ton. I know her. She was
at Mrs. Matthews the night
before you went to London.
Too bad you didn't remember
her. She's a real nice girl.

Now don't be pessimistic.
Everything will be all right
very soon.

This has been a tough week
for me. I think I will change
schools quite soon. Our old
head of department, Miss Goodwin,
who was a good friend of mine,
and as sweet a woman as

could be was removed, and Miss
 Martine Lyons - you've heard of her
 is to take her place. I hate to work
 under Negro women, never did it
 and my heart sank at the pros-
 pect, when I was informed that
 I would soon be removed to #66
 a school where there are no colored
 teachers. I am awfully glad of
 this because that Downing gang
 in #83 makes me tired. We had
 our Mission Christmas Tree Wed.
 night, and Tuesday night - I was
 at work arranging things last
 night went to a Negro wedding
 in Jersey City; so I'm pretty tired.

Well, good night - sweetheart, hus-
 band, many, many kisses,

Your own
 "Wee Wee" wife.