

by journeys some ~~so~~ ~~far~~ ~~are~~ ~~now~~ ~~on~~ ~~from~~  
24. This has for me — which will

\* not let me alone. I dream until the  
wee small hours and forget  
that I am not sleeping. What is  
sleep? Why should I sleep? Why  
should I feel I must sleep?

What is man? A myth? Or no, perhaps  
a god — or perhaps a universe, with  
his sun and moon and all the planets  
revolving within him. When it gets down  
to molecules (which you understand) there  
for some reason I get not only lost but  
confused and bewildered in a way that  
all the millions of suns in the universe  
do not make one feel.

But this is Wednesday night —

as this is one am. Thursday morning.  
Sunday at four I shall take the train  
for HOME — how slow — what a snail's  
pace after thinking in terms of the speed  
of light. But how good to know that in  
another moment I shall be in your arms  
and that for some mysterious reason our lives

John dearest —

I am ashamed to say  
that this letter came back to me today,  
post-marked "1040 Park Ave., Manhattan".  
I wonder how many more were not returned  
to me — yet have not reached you.

yet I do not feel that way.  
Somehow in spite of being immersed very  
completely in the tasks and joys of each day,  
there is time every night for a letter to  
you — to touch again the pipe which will  
soon engulf me again in its waters.  
How infinite is man!

I have enjoyed long talks with  
Mayo at night after the rest are asleep —  
about the world in general — but most  
thrilling have been real lessons in astronomy  
which I have almost every night. He is  
a great student and loves it and  
expects to take his Doctor's degree  
in Nuclear Physics & Astronomy — he

3. Which I will talk to you about when we have a long night to ourselves. It is something where you could help me - at least in the preliminary study - and I know you will enjoy it as much as I. So our trip to Europe looks like a wonderful long study of the stars, going and coming - all of this suddenly coming out in a letter must sound a bit confusing - but if I can figure out your unusual leaps and spirals in your letters, this should be simple for you.

After a day of complete domesticity, it is exhilarating to let one's mind leap off into space. I know so little of the so-called Sciences - They have always frightened me a little - so that I am surprised at the attraction which this

2 has an extensive library of the most fascinating books - with pictures which make my mind quiver in excitement and in wonder. Infinity - the millions of suns - making the earth seem a speck of dust - yet the mind of man able to conceive - and calculate - To-night's lesson was with a full view of Mars in the heavens, closer than he will be in several years. The stars here seem very real - the horizon so great - and outside of one's own daily life - the facts of life here are simple and clear. Who ever looks up to the stars from Park Ave? Or what could he see if he did? You would have these talks, dearest, they are freed from earth pressure.

It has given me the inspiration for a new movie