

Thurs. A.M.

A crust of snow frozen all over everything and not enough sun to melt it yet. Marge will soon be in for lunch.

This is a copy Marge made from the front page of Sun Times. The extra picture is what Grace sent, better than the one in our paper. She got so many letters & phone calls - thrill of a lifetime! I sent a copy to Fern to share down there but no reply yet. Bernice wrote that Fern has two chimneys done so she can keep warm & work at the other house.

Gertrude sent 3 pictures from the centennial and I sent them on to John: 1 of John & Bessie Ullery at the pulpit where she was recognized as our missionary to the Navajos, 1 picture of rear of church where the Norris family had taken the back seat and John asked congregation to stop singing and let the Norrises sing the last song - there were 12 of them and all there except the girl in so. Mrs. This one showed Mr + Mrs. E. Clair Henderson, Lorene Shaw, Krower + Estelle, Ross Varner, Kermit + Melba etc. The 3rd picture was of me by the new tree that the grandsons helped plant. I didn't know Merry took that picture or I'd have had the little boys in it.

I wanted a picture of Gertrude in the beautiful lace & black silk gown of Auntie's - beautiful.

Korvet has sale on for rest of this week - we may get there.

as to Christmas - who knows what? I have ordered the little tree dangles all around for 1974 but that's as far as I've gone - ordered them last summer but they haven't come yet. Should come here. Also 1 thimble.

Marge picked up a book for Liane "Tucker's Countryside" another Cricket + Mouse story!

Did I write that Adrienne's little Julia Claire was born October 20. I sent a pr. of booties in a card of welcome.

I still haven't addressed any Xmas cards - I think I will then turn into a letter to be written.

I got the farm check in full and sent it to the Bank.

I don't know how Bill came out with the crops. He wants a crossing made on the south and that will be done also wanted us to spread lime but John says since Bill would get all the benefit we shouldn't have to pay for that, so we'll see. No lime?

Jack Bailey got 40 bu. of corn per acre where he should have had 100 bu. p. acre. The way the weather held they can be glad they got any but that doesn't pay for all the work, seed + machinery. Chavet was to make a trip over to see Bill and I haven't heard how that talk turns out.

Time to put the kettle on, Marge should be here.

Tomorrow evening we go to church where the women are working on Arts & Crafts - Xmas sale? maybe -

Sat. is Grace's church luncheon & bazaar and we will meet her there. We did stop at Carolin's Sat to see her a few minutes last Sat.

Marge is to make a long apron for Linda - pinafore style. Sun is coming out!

Stuart didn't go back with Glen & Helen. He was taking Bernice, Kathleen, Esac & David to Delphi's turkey dinner for Kathleen's birthday as she had a dinner for him.

Glen & Helen took Stuart & Bernice to Hoover Memorial at West Branch & called on Elva also. Wonder if he's still waiting in hopes B. will go to Phoenix with him. We'll see!!

No mail man yet so I may as well put this in the box - This no gas on Sat. & Sun. will be another nuisance -

See you —

Love Mom

Wed. P.M. Nov. 13

Dear ones:

Snow! Beautiful snow? Beautiful in that it isn't severe enough to pile up but looks to make treacherous footing. Started at noon with frozen raindrops but makes a white coating all over. I'm glad we went to Ponderosa last night so we will stay in tonight and have more of Marve's frozen chaparral that he got on a "Special". The little juncos are flitting in under the evergreen branches for protection.

Almost time for Marve to get home. I have been watching the Rockefeller investigation - most interesting but I can't see that it will solve any problems. Never know what situations may come up nor what ~~reaction~~ will develop.

I have written to Joanna and hope to get an answer soon but I know she will be upset because I put it all in black & white that I feel quite imposed upon. She has taken a job in laundry at hospital which will require transportation and I know she wouldn't pay \$5. a trip as she charged Clara.

I'll watch the papers for car sales here as to values if you can give me an estimate, please do - I asked Joanna if she still wants to buy it and how much she would give. Marve says probably \$1,000 but best watch the papers.

I wrote a B-card and note to Hazel yesterday - her B day is Nov. 17 according to my book. one less Xmas note.

6:30 - Marge has baked a CrazyCrust mince pie and now on her knees, fitting rest of carpet in the

utility room.

Haven't heard from Dewey nor Sam. Presume Dewey is in Tor C by now. Tom will be here Monday 25th and has a whole week here. Richard & Nancy have the weekend off at Thanksgiving. So the house will wake up.

I went with Marge to Sears in Oakbrook last Sat. and got a set of warmer undies & knee hi socks which I enjoy this week.

Well, I didn't get to June's yet. M+M couldn't take their trip so we went to Sears and also stopped by to call on Vernice. She has a college boy staying there from Montana and Marge invited them for T. Day but I doubt if they make it. V. said she would bring pumpkin pie if she comes - Marge has the day before off so have time to do the necessary cooking. Turkey is in the freezer. I'm hoping we have enough sugar for Tom to make a batch of fudge - maybe $2\frac{1}{2}$ lb. instead of regular 5 lb. recipe - Anything you specially want? Make apple salad or bring apples & make it here.

Brooklyn had a Mr. L.C. Hickerson Day in honor of Luther & Ruth & family 2 Sundays ago. Naomi was there as she was on way home from a visit with her kids in S. I. City. Maurice didn't go as he thought it was a civic affair & didn't know Naomi would be there. It was sponsored by J.C. - Kiwanis - etc. I haven't had a Record News for two weeks so no report as yet. 3 papers have been delivered here but none for last two weeks.

— Lost my tablet!