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Monday - the ninth.

Dear Dorothy -

Suppose I. U. is still celebrating their victory Sat. Must have been a tough game. Kenneth would like to have seen it.

Kenneth drove Jennette + Grandma + Ellen Engstrom down Sat. + back Sun. P. M. He had sure been in a tough game Friday night + lost to Roosevelt - his side was sore + one eye was pretty red. His picture was in the paper again - (full length) our Sat. paper.

It rained here Thurs night and was just getting decent when it began again last night and it's terribly nasty + very warm.

Grace + Helen came over + drove the Chevie Friday and we went to Grant City to Hauber's closing out sale - one more person couldn't have squeezed in and they locked the door at 10:30 and the crowd didn't thin out till noon. Not many bargains either. I did get me a good pair of shoes for 97¢ but so much of the stuff they had had since the last war or longer.

I've some bad news that hurts to tell you - Peggy took sick last week + lock jaw developed and we don't know what could possibly have caused it but she died Sat. night and we have all been heart sick about it - don't even talk about it much. Cliff Wilber heard it + stopped Sat. to see if we would keep "Savin'" (Vanitas pony) while they are away from the farm so we got her yesterday and that helps a lot - but she isn't Peggy. You can imagine how John feels. I was so glad the folks were down as



it kept us all from thinking about it. Daddy got Mel T. to come and take off the skin and Kenneth took it to L. M. and we told him to take it to Cowries to be tanned, for a robe probably.

We are waiting today on Bill Jefferson to come up and blood test the pullets.

Bessie Arneal is getting along fine at the hospital. Jim was up yesterday and Mary came home with him - she had been there all week.

The war news sounds good now - hope they can keep them on the run now. Aunt Jennette is afraid Kenneth will have to go before he finishes high school. Richard will undoubtedly go this year - he is sort of planning on getting married at Christmas but we can't tell what may be or where he may be. Personally I'd think they better wait till after the war but there's lots getting married and it's up to them to decide.

Leonta was down Saturday all day & Dad took her home Sat. night. She has no idea what she will do but she isn't worrying - she will find something after she gets back. She will stay with Margaret till she gets a job - then they may take an apt. I'll put Margaret's last letter in - she sounded rather lonesome! Leonta says she & Margaret are coming home for Christmas if it's at all possible to get on the train and if they can have Sat. forenoon off. When does your vacation start?

It's getting so dark in the northwest - whether it's rain or wind or snow coming. If it was summer I'd think a big thunder storm was coming. It could turn cold & snow but hope the turkeys are gone before that.

Ray Warden's sold theirs at 30¢ a lb and got nearly \$3,000 for 500 turkeys - they were big ones.



Aunt J. + Uncle C. had their pictures taken, also Grandma and she brought a proof of hers down - its very good. and she ordered a doz. on Xmas greeting cards for her grandchildren. I hope yours come out O.K.

well - its raining again - now maybe the wind will clear it off. I should be sewing - so much mending needs to be done. Alice got a red sweater from Lounbers' - \$2.25. She wears your old red coat rather than her plaid one! She wore your green print dress to school today. What shall we do about that blue taffeta formal of Marion's? Do you think we can fix it at Xmas time or shall I try to find someone to fix it before that?

must get busy at something else - they are working at the henhouse now.

What to plan about Christmas! I'm afraid the girls won't be able to get on the train - maybe they can make reservations a long time ahead. Let me know when your vacation begins. If you get a chance to come home some weekend we might fix that formal but I hate to tackle it.

Love  
mother