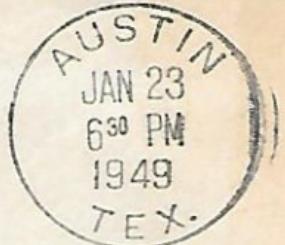


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Jan 20th 3813 Maplewood St.

and I doubt there being a maple within a hundred miles. This is a pleasant house light walls and woodwork all white. No smoke to darken the walls. A gas heater in wall keeps an even heat.

Yesterday when we got up it looked like Mich. in winter. Trees covered with ice. I didn't dare step out on porch. Warm again today.

I am writing while Nellie does dishes. We don't get up until the Bryates leave. They have to be at work by eight. Nina comes home for lunch but Bill takes

we went down town Mon. visited the capitol and fine stores. Bills office. That is easy to find being just a block or so from Capitol. Is a nice place.

Before I forgot Dad wants three tons. He said he told you so and Paul. Can't see how people can forget like that. I never do.

Have Elva's apron done and one ready to send to era. Her birthday the 25<sup>th</sup>. also Jane Bennett. I expect the Schlaack will be going on soon. Have enjoyed having them with us. So I think have Nina & Bill. They wouldn't hear of them going to a hotel which seems to be the only place to stay in this town. Haven't seen a cabin.

Yesterday one of the promoters of the Valley Land took us for a long ride. The men thought about 75 miles.

night we are all going to show San Francisco  
have quite a few pictures pasted in book. I  
keep busy and the days soon pass.  
expect Jim will rest up a lot ahead so when  
he gets with Coosie again he will really go to town.

Have some washing to do this morning. Sent  
most of it with Nini to her colored wash lady. Of  
course there isn't any place here but bath tub or  
kitchen sink or ~~bath tub~~.

Nina went to a negro funeral Mon. The father  
a colored nurse she knew.

Baked bread yesterday. Nina took some to a neighbor  
was afraid to make too much but I needn't have  
worried. It is nearly gone. Made a cherry pie when  
<sup>us were</sup> the three of us were off there. She took part of that to other neighbors.  
We are going to church Sun. morning. Dad  
promised the young women who drove us around  
yesterday. She thought they have such a wonderful  
preacher. Second Methodist.  
Tell Jim we expect a letter from him.

Mom.

I think a son-in-law bee would be a good thing when we get back. Maybe Ashley would come too.

The airport is not far from here. Last night I saw a huge plane come in.  
Granddad is going to get some new glasses of Uncle Bill.

Have you and Shirley been out to Lacota to church? Bill and I went there, we felt right at home as the service was just like at Lacota. There are several Methodist churches in Austin. The trouble is they are all so far away I can't walk. I know Uncle Bill doesn't mind taking me. We went for \$1.00. Found the people very friendly.

We are going to make a shirt for Granddad Sat. afternoon. He bought the cloth at a mill on the way back from the South. I think I'll make one for you and Steve too. There is enough cloth, I think. It is pretty gay. Red plaid.

Will you be glad to get back to Tibbe or do you like going to school in town better?

I expect Aunt Eva makes you work pretty hard. I am afraid I will get fat and lazy this winter. maybe I should say fatter.

I think I had better get busy. Have some sewing to finish today. Granddad is going back with Nina this noon. I'll just go for a walk. Good

Grandma