



Miss Dorothy R. Adair,
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Mon. P. M.

Feb. 15.

Dear Dorothy -

Pen & ink is here so I'll surprise you and use it for a change. Our letters do have a way of crossing enroute! I read in the paper that the weather report for Iowa might as well be published for the enemy wouldn't believe it anyway! Nothing monotonous about it, at least. If it had snowed long enough we would be having a real blizzard for the wind is a gale today and pretty cold too, in spite of the sun shine this afternoon, and radio report says colder tonight & tomorrow! Hope the wind goes down by evening!

Dad & I played hooky from church yesterday - Alice & John took the car & took Grandpa & Grandma. We went over to Lungren's last evening while Alice went to a League "party" in honor of Pearl Hiatt whose birthday is tomorrow. Boy's B.B. game at Grant tomorrow evening so they couldn't have it then.

Amy & Joe & Earl & Nellie were here a while yesterday P. M. & Alice went to town with them. Elton H. is in San Francisco and his wife Martha is going back to La City as soon as he has to leave U. S. - she had two years there. When does the summer term begin?

Will you be able to complete your course in 2 more semesters if you don't have to work or will it take a summer term anyway? What are your plans this summer?

I don't know what Alice will do next year. She said she told Bulah and Eloise that she would go to Mayville if they did, but I told her if she plans to teach - I prefer she should go to Cedar Falls

Dad thinks 4 years is a long time but your 3 years hasn't seemed so long has it? If I only knew what she wants to do but I've not the slightest idea & she hasn't either. Somehow she doesn't seem old enough to go anywhere but maybe that's just me. If you have any suggestions please forward them. I think dormitory life would be good for her for awhile till she learned to look after her own things & develop some responsibility. Dad needs her this summer. If hired hands demand \$4.50 a day here's where we don't have any! Albert Norris says he is going where he can get it. Mr. Cox is helping us occasionally as Daddy is out on the AAA business - getting papers signed up. He had to take Ralph Hoover's place and it's too bad as it's getting late and calves & lambs coming - he needs to be at home. Grandpa has been having a cold and hasn't been over very much the last week - he looks after the pigs over there & the young cattle & colts. We aren't milking much now as the cows are dry and about 20 or 25 calves due in two weeks - then we will all have to milk!

I ordered \$5.75 worth of garden seed today, as there's some more work to do when it warms up. I can count on John to help in the garden if his Dad doesn't need him somewhere else! We can't get our chickens till May 21st, I guess, & that's pretty late. The old crows are around already watching for them. I'll have to make several scarecrows if I can't get shells for the shotgun.

Bessie & Jim had Bruce & Grace, Larison's & us over there Friday night to play Rook and Larison's would have moved today if it had been better weather - they may go tomorrow if it doesn't storm.

I should be sewing today but with Garden Club tomorrow & Jedie's sale on Wed. I decided I'd better get some letters written today.

There's an article on Quick Freezing of Foods in the Feb. W. H. Compin.
Do you want it? I'll put it in with Reading Herald.

Jimmie Hunt will be home about 1st of March and Madge is having
Garden Club + Idyllawhyle now to have them out of the way.

Bob Hash will have a sale Friday and he has hired Leonard Giger
to drive them to Calif. next week. - somehow Leonard is listed as
2-A, I think, so he is going to Calif. after all.

Well - Alice came in with the news that Lyndon Knight +
Helen Caldwell were married last November and it just leaked out.
They are 19 and their folks didn't know it for quite a while.

The girls had a good game with Kellerton last Wed. night
but lost by 2 points - Dor. Heron + Eloise fouled out. Kellerton beat
Gravity this next night by 1 point. Clearfield took the final.

Lungren's have their hardwood floors down + papering + have
put French doors between dining + living rooms. They have a bottle gas
(used) stove too as soon as it can be installed. Now if they can get light they
will be pretty comfortable. They got a furnace last fall.

Alice's party turned into a charivari last night as they are having
Pearl's party at Mary Jo's Wed. night - also for Doyle Norris who is home.

Oh yes - Helen Lungren said Vera Alice is wearing a diamond, but not
Baker's! Vera Alice works over there and it's a neighbor boy.

10.30 P. M.

Grandma sent Alwey's letter over + I'll send it to you if
you will return it right away so she can send it to somebody else!
Larison's just left for home so I didn't get another letter written -
I'll have to wait for Marguerite's address now. I'll put in Grandma's
letter that came today too, but I don't think it's #1.

We must go to bed - John has gone with the hot water bottle and Alice is about asleep over her shorthand and she has two tests tomorrow.

This will have to do for a few days - I'll tell you I got a walnut bureau and have to refinish it?

Love - mom

Letter from Margaret - her address will be

1404 So. 9th Ave. - she hopes after
the 15th Jim hadn't gone yet.