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Dear Mom, Dad, Alice, & John, also Grandpa & Grandma.
just everyone I guess.

Santa thinks we've been writing an awful
lot of letters lately but I'm not kidding & I
hope you're not! They must be passing in the
mail.

I hope you got my "note" with dollar
enclosed for the ^{25¢} package for our Mexican Service
Guild.

at the present time & for the next
two weeks I'm practically doing a juggling
act with my budget - trying to get my
income tax out without too much of
a hole. I'm only paying \$93. Terrific!
& more so when there is nothing to
deduct for. Guess I'll come home for
the summer so I won't make so much
money. I suppose you have your
plans made out & I hope it isn't
too much.

I hope Alice doesn't need her shoes
& things too soon. I'll be glad to get
them but it may be the last of the
month before my budget is normal again.
I think it would be best to make
her dress. I'd love to get the material
& pattern, etc & then maybe you &
Dorothy can make the dress. I guess
you can probably send her book

up & I'll see what I can get.

About our beds, they are the same size but Mrs. Thomas thinks she may get a daybed for us so I guess you won't need to rush things. We are getting along ok with what we have & when I can I'm going to crochet some things for the arm chair, etc. We are not doing so bad without cans as we fixing beans, shelling peas, etc. Fresh vegetables aren't frozen and we haven't used any of our coupons yet. Tonight we had meat for meat & tomorrow we are having meat loaf. Leonta & are kind of hoping they'd ration meat ~~to~~ and ~~there~~ maybe we can get some.

Jim's Aunt has invited us over her to her place tomorrow evening. We will probably play pinocle. They are swell people & we will no doubt have a very nice time.

Leonta baked our first cake in the oven tonight & it wasn't bad - in fact it was good. While she did that I fixed the meat loaf for tomorrow.

Well good-night & all & sweet dreams. Love & kisses & all
Margaret