

Wed. evening 18th

Hi everybody - I'll try carbon to save time and hope you can read it. A rainy chilly evening and good time to sit by the fire. Not good for roofing but the south & east sides are done & started on north side but it rained - hope it clears off tomorrow so they can finish this week. We planned to go to Des Moines on Friday for over Sunday but doubt if we can since the rain stopped the men on the roof. May go Sun. or Mon. AuntJ. called Mon night her other people will go over to Ona's while she is gone to Florida so J. & C. will be alone 2 or 3 weeks and we will enjoy that better.

Sunday was a perfect day - we went to church then in P.M. we took Nora Frost & Ida Hash to the Bank open house in Grant City and a lovely party! Over 800 people registered ate cake & punch & made the tour - over 78 flower gifts beautiful! They have a "Community Room" that is free for the public - downstairs with entrance on east side at foot of the cement steps outside. It has hot plats, refrig., sink & cupboards - chairs and tables and I went down and asked about using it for club. O.K. but I'll take coffee & chicken sandwiches & cookies or pot. chips & use decorated paper plates & cups if I can find what I want. That will be "something different" as Estella says! My date is Oct. 3 but I'll wait & see what Jessie's plans are. Dewey has fouled things up again - they have S.L.City couple this week end and Appleby's the 26th for a week or ten days so that puts Sam's rather late. We will call Sam tonight and see that they will do. May just reverse the trip & come here first.

Stella has club tomorrow - I haven't been since over 3 mo.

Tidy has changed cars and has her permit but not her driver's license. She drives all already.

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Well, talked to Sam. He is writing Dewey that he will wait till they tell him to come but he won't go to Chicago. Jessie's throat has flared up again like last fall & worried about that. Maurine & June are moving to Texas first of the year but Sam says he & Jessie won't go to see them now, but come back here from George & stay till they want to go home. May have to see Dr. Mattson about her throat!

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Thurs morning. Trying to clear but men haven't come yet to shingle. Remember Fred Augustine who sold Dad a Waterloo Boy tractor & a plow & threshing machine years ago? He is 83 & lives in Des Moines - he came before Dad was up & stayed an hour - he's a Democrat but is voting for Nixon! We hadn't seen him for 25 years at least. Drives his car all the time.

We went to the Studio yesterday but pictures not done. She took a little vacation. We got the big group 5x7 and the smaller group in 3x5 - they'll be ready next week.

We will have to finish the camera film too. Nora Frost wants Dad to take her to Grant City Dr. M. for medicine this P.M. while I am at club. Dad has caught a few fish - 2 bass 15" long & some blue gills. Must have rained 1/4 inch last evening.

Note from Lucy is all today's mail. I started to do a duster like Diane's but can't work as fast as she did! Love to see you all again but love to all anyway.

Mom & Dad

Called on Clark's & Tod & Jedic last week.