

Sunday Afternoon

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My Precious Angel:-

Home from church and had my dinner, soup, cheese crackers, and some sugar butter beated puffed wheat. Maybe that is not the basic seven but I am just as full as if I had had a feast.

I went to broadcast this morning and stayed for church. I asked the Lord to be my alarm clock because I usually sleep until seven and after now a days and so he got me up at 6:15. Pobby and I went to the church in the car. He is the limit, just wants a car ride every day but he don't get it every day I can tell you.

Your box of clothes and the sheets came Friday so we got busy and started the hot pot and washed until late in the afternoon, it must have been all of 5:30 before we get done and then I ate some supper hurried off to church and then all day yesterday I ironed and ironed. I am glad to sent your socks for me to mend. I will send your suits in the morning and then the socks as soon as I get them mended which will make it Tues when I send them or maybe Wed. I expect to mend and sew all day tomerrow. So much for that.

Now I want to tell you that Bro Welshen's seven day fasting and prayer has certainly brought results both in the spiritual revival of the church and also in healings. He and Jim Parrish and the sailer from the base hospital, Gleason, has been at the church for almost a week and they have been getting results. Friday night after church Charlie Thompson came over to pray and fast with them and he was healed. Praise the Lord you would never know him to be the same man to see how perfect he walks now. His right foot was turned out almost strait out to the side and his knee hurt him at every step until he bent way over with each step he took. He truly was a crippled sight and he speke the truth when he said he would rather be in Service than to be as he was. Now his foot is ~~xxxix~~ strait out in front as it should be and he does not limp or bend over. He had your letter at church this morning which he got yesterday and I got to read it.

I have been strutting around with your pictures, the ones we took at Baton Rouge and then the ones I took of you here at home when you were on leave in April, they are just fine and I am so proud of them. I will enclose a picture of the house which I took down there and you can either keep it or give it to the ladies. I love home and hate to leave it but I will be glad to see that big old house again because it houses my little boy and wherever he is it is heaven to me, but I still don't like boiled peanuts, do you? I have three more rolls of film to have developed yet and part of another on which I have some views of Vernon which is still in the kodak. Sister Noland wants some of your pictures and said she would have the films printed and pay for them but I am just going to have it done and give them to her, she has done so much for us.

My garments have come in or I should say will come in this week at Nora's and I am going up to get them. I also am going to look at her washing machine which was a Sears DeLux and she wants to sell it for \$50.00 and she paid \$75.00 for it. You knew she is not one to abuse her things and she said that all that had happened to it was to get some of the enamel chipped off the outside of the tub on its return trip to Ott.

She shipped it knocked down and you know I could ship part of it, the wringer and tub down there by express and bring the frame with me or whatever part is the lightest in the car and set it up and use it and perhaps sell it to some intellegent native down there., If I don't want to bring it back home again. I will see what it looks like and how it runs, she has it set up and is using it. It has a good wringer and she said it was all right but that enamel on the outside of the tub which was damaged. Rubbing it with an oily cloth with keep rust from setting in and it is a pre war article so you know it must be good. She said she would not try to take it back again with her or other big things again. She is going to go back the 10th of October. Joe is much better he has taken the Sulpha treatment for his kidneys. Poor people they only knew to turn to medicine for health.

I got a box of Dreft and so you might know that Jennifer is in for a bath new. Oh yes, tell me what you think about getting the washing machine if you think it would be a wise thing to do and your entire opinion. Don't just say, "I'll leave it to your judgement" I want you to help me decide. I don't want to do anything rash or foolish.

Brother Jim Parraish has been fasting with Welshon and the sailer Gleason and that trouble with his stomach was healed. I wish you could have heard him give his testimony last night. His eyes are also improving and he could pick up articles on the table in front of him and tell what they were. When it would come meal time the men would sit down at the table with a cup of water in front of them and have scripture and testimonies for food and when they had Charlie Thompson's testimony of his healing the men went wild with joy and praise, they broke the cups and jumped and shouted all over the basement and I guess from what Welshon's said it must have been a mad house.

Prayers are being answered, healings and baptismns of the Holy Ghost. I guess Billy Selix went home this morning in just about the same shape that you did one morning after the Friday night at Hickory Grove. Welshon's said he went home reeling like a drunken sailer. Welshon's have not heard from Bud since the 23rd of June. Last night we had a special prayer service for the service boys on the church flag and the pictures were brought down to the basement. Welshon's broke down crying when he told how Bro. Jim was up early Sat morning and upstairs in the church praying for each star on the flag and naming each one of you boys by name and praising God. Estell is in Oregon on manuevers in the desert near Eugene and he got to spend the week end with his sister, Harold Powers wife, and he had not seen her for three years and it was her birthday so his officer said for him to take the week end and have a good visit. I guess they had one grand time from the way he and Phyllis wrote to Sister Neland. Wasn't that great? Merle Bensmiller is in Petersburg, Va., his wife got a telegram from him when he arrived there and wrote Nera but he did not have any kind of address as yet to send either of them.

Mamie went to Chicago over the week end to see Gerald as he made his graduation hop from Texas to Chicago, so she hopped the first train east and met him and had a visit with him while there. She is such a faithful Mother.

Vernon has get his perch built and wants to get a prime coat on it and his cement walk in. He is busy working every day and was putting in cement when I came from church this morning. He is going to sign a realeas on the check for me tomorrow. I forget whether it is a \$200 or #00.00 check this time. I will have to look that policy up to see.

Well my sweet, the radio is playing a record just like one we had on the records here at home and which we have often listened to and it makes me so lonely for you that I could just scream. Sometimes music almost drives me mad but I love it, it is sweet pain. Oh yes it is Schuman's Trammeri. I have an invitation to come over to the home of the daughter of Morris who has the general store there in Kentwood when I get back, to sing for her. She is away at school now and she is studying voice. I had a visit with her the last day or so that I was down there and she wanted to hear me sing so much before I left but I am glad that I didn't because I have improved much here since being home. Maybe it is the climate and maybe it is because I have been singing here at church.

Now the radio is playing "Love's old Sweet Song" these old tunes remind me of Mether and how she loved them, also In the Gleaming. I know she is not in the Gleaming now, but seen to stand before God'S great lighted throne and all will bright and clear to her, her body free from all pain and her heart from all sorrow.

Bro and Sis Welshen, Bro and Sis Noland and Jerry all had a nice dinner with me last Sunday and a good time of fellowship together altho they had to leave early to take Jerry to the bus, they got to eat from the Hiwaiam flower dishes and the milk glass pitcher and goblets. I keep them sitting on the dining room table all the time so that I can love them each time I look at them, for my darling brought them to me. We had fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, dinner in a dish cassarele, that was for Jerry's benefit. olives, pickles, and how Bro Welshen cleaned up the dish. Blackberry and strawberry preserves from La. Peaches and just plain two egge cake and Brother Noland went for that in a big way as it is his favorite. We passed our cards of "Diley Manna" around and each took one and read it and Brother Welshen's returned thanks and blessing on our home, you and I, Bud and Estell and we had a wonderful time together. We are planning on a big time together when you three boys get home. De write him often dearest because he is going thro quite a trial, even tho he does not answer each letter because he is so very busy.

Now my Angel I am going to close now for this time as it is after four and I want to go to church this evening because Bro Welshen is to speak. "He is Risen". is the subject tonight and it is going to be cold in the tent. I am glad it is the last night. Tomorrow it comes down without his efforts, for he is to remain yet two days in fasting and prayer. I will close now and hope to get your suits mailed out to you tomorrow. If now I sure will Tues. Lots of love from your lonesome Mether and little Bobby.

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