

haven't much hope
you will ever
get any of them

We are just

Compelled to screw
up our patriotism

and stand by the

fool administration

until they get

all the money out

of the Country and

in their hands.

I have given all

I could to the Ythed

Cross, and wish

I could get you

idea of how it is

spent. I have received

no bonds from you

which surely should

be showing up. It

is all going out

and nothing to

show for it. Maybe

it is all clear to

some, but no country

go on in the dark

until all you can + as

often.

so long

Dad

Plainfield

6-2-18

Dear Chip

We are all in first rate shape
now the grass has been fairly good and
and we had plenty of smoked fool.

It is a wonder but we all got done
planting by the last day of May I planted
the lot North of the hog house and it is knee
high but the others that wait for ideal weather
just finished last week. Bert planted the
West field first and it has been rolled and
he began plowing yesterday the field east
of the road that was in beans last year he
planted to corn and it shows a 75% stand
the seed was very poor some are planting
over. The wheat crop looks very fair don't think
it will be very heavy it was sown too late.
but it will make some people happy that are
getting tired of corn bread. We have a very
fine garden and a patch of sorghum and the
beans have a great clover bloom if it yields

To make the ginger bread and taffy, we have been quite short on sugar but now we get five pounds a week, and great efforts are being made to save on all food, so as to have more for those that are so hard pressed.

We are still playing politics and I fear you will have to play a kind of lone hand until there is a change of administration but I hope it will not run that long, but the great Devas have arranged all the events to serve toward bringing the final result that is to forever make war impossible, It wouldn't do any good for us to know all the moves or how long it will take, for it is up to this generation to fight it out to a finish as it is a final battle between darkness and light. No more of our boys are in yet, but they will probably go this fall. Frank is now at Washington D.C. he made highest score on rifle range and seems to enjoy the work. don't know how long they will stay or just what their service will be. but thinks it will be for show as they were issued four suits of clothes and must always be ready for inspection. All are well and busy. haven't had a letter from you since the one written the 8th of April. the money you spoke of sending has not arrived. I have been sending some papers, but

Monday Morning the 3rd I was monkeying all day yesterday with the bees and Nell she has a colt that is a dandy and if I thought you would enjoy a saddler I would take her back to old Guy, surely the greatest horse in the state 29 years old, and as active as a yearling.

We havent heard from Edith for some time she is in bad shape and dont know when the trouble will end. I suspect the change of life is going to go hard with her L. W. has had a tough time with diphtheria Miss Madison cant talk the last we heard I had a letter from Martha they dont have a telephone and ours has been out of commission for three weeks, and Nell could not go on the road, so we have had nearly all sources of information cut. Bert is making a big effort to do what two men usually, and he is getting on pretty well, but he sure has a great helper in Maudie, we have failed to

give her proper Credit for the good qualities that she possesses, it is so easy to see only the objectionable side. I think she is trying her dirty best to govern the violent temper and limber tongue - she surely is a tireless worker does the milking most of the feeding and sees after Bert generally. I think Mother is beginning to see the gold under the dross but her faculties are failing gradually all the time. When the women were being enrolled she gave her age as 98. and when Maud suggested 68 she gave her to understand she knew what it was. I am thinking that we will get things adjusted so we can enjoy more life than when it was all new. I am still the buffer to get the shock of both sides, but my shoulders are still squared and ready for a little more. Uncle Mack celebrates the golden wedding on your birth day. we will be there too. I was in France last night but did not see you I take it as a good omen the higher self knows but does not communicate often to the lower mind. as it would do no good really to know all the children are well as far as I know. we had no Co yesterday Will was shearing sheep he has a fine crop of lambs, Call the Colt Dixie she is sure built like an arab. & a beaut. so long.



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