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3034 - "F" St.

Dearest Auntie

we were thru Long Beach a few weeks ago & stopped to see Eda but she had moved. The little old lady at the place said that she had moved to such & such an add. but was not sure wether it was 13 - or 30 -

we couldn't find one or the other

had no one at home.

As I was not strong enough for fooling around much we drove on in to South Gate where I stayed until Nick visited his brothers in L.A.

I took the trip against Dr.'s orders & I was feeling it by the time we reached our destination.

We were sorry not to have seen you as I love you very dearly. and sometimes I feel that just visiting with you (or) (and) Aunt Roxie would bring me

mama. you both <sup>2</sup> are so like her in many ways.

Nick liked you & Eda so much & is most anxious to meet Aunt Popie.

I hope & Pray that Eda got along all right after her injury. She has worked so long & hard, & has two such lovely children, that I think she deserves every thing fine & good in this life. She's wonderful.

I can see now why Papa was taken just when he was. It would have worried him so to see our land at war. But I miss him so.

We have all had colds but are better now. And my condition is clear again - but I am still confined to the house, indeed to bed most of the time, in order to save extra exertion to the left side. It was a little week but not infected.

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where is Berlah<sup>3</sup>? and Fabian? I  
hope they were not in Manila. Such a  
sad thing to happen there. where will  
it all end?

im sending this to your Mariota  
add - but as there was no one around  
I could not know whether or not you  
still live there.

I am a bad one to write but I do  
enjoy receiving letters.

I often think of how happy mama was

when she heard from you folks. It was  
a luscious tid-bit for the entire family.  
We would come from our various  
tasks & gather around mama while  
she read your letters. We, who had  
never seen any of you, were so full of  
love. all because mama & Papa had  
given us that kind of love & raising.  
I am proud of the Crockett kind of  
love. It's real & wholesome. Mama's people  
are wonderful. Papa said that. He was so  
~~deprived~~ deprived of love in his

own home. I <sup>4.</sup> mean mother love.  
and he did so appreciate mama's  
family. of course we didn't know, that,  
until we were married & had children  
of our own.

It breaks my heart when I think  
of how his folks used to treat him. I  
mean Aunt M. when he went to  
visit her.

Here I am being catty & mean.  
forgive me.  
we would so love to hear

from you. Even if it's just a line.  
and be sure to let us know about  
Fabian & Beulah.

I hope & pray that this finds you  
well & happy & with nothing worrying  
you.

I am looking forward to our  
next chat with pleasure.

How about you & Eda driving  
down some time?

Love to you, Eda & hers. Your neece  
Mary.

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