

Pine Springs Farms

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Dearest Mary Ida - your sweet letter came Friday. It made me very happy and I did wish you could be with us. Then Saturday your package came - I was surely surprised and when I opened it and found the lovely bag and gloves, I didn't know what to say. They looked so dainty almost too nice to use. Thank you very much for everything. Helen was so sweet and wanted to make my dress that daddy brought. and I am afraid I hurt her feelings when I said not to. It was Saturday night - I had been to town with daddy and was tired and I knew how tired and over done she was and I had a talk for Sun School. "The responsibility of mothers to decrease the love and honor of their children". I am sure Helen will make the dress before she leaves. Helen helped me with the talk and we went to Sunday School all but - daddy I was in my flowered dress you girls bought me in Long Beach. There was quite a crowd out. I gave the talk - was frightened - the girls said I did well?? They gave each mother a little Book of poems. They gave Helen some to hand out. So before going home we stopped at Edith Noub.

Viola and Laura Munks then took me
to Aunt Mable & Aunt Norma they seemed
pleased to have them. He came home Hazel
Dawn worked on her talk for church (she
does not worry about her lips like I do)
Helen got dinner. She had made a lovely
three layer ^{white} cake with raspberry jam between layers
& seven minute frosting with ^{top} picked with rasp-
berry jelly & nuts. and was it good. we had
toasted tuna fish sandwiches - a lovely salad.
and Helen & Hazel Dawn gave me some
lovely blue house slippers. and a bag that
Helen made - leather - It is fine.

Well we all went to church. Hazel Dawn
did fine. Then we had Sydney Burgoyne
and Vern Dunn. They both spoke. afterward
I called to see Mrs Lindsay - she is very
bad they have to give her morphine at this time.
she is just as yellow as can be.

Helen came back for me and Daddy and
I went with Helen to the airport - went around
by town and got Thelma and Gwen Burgoyne.
Gwen took her ninth lesson and Helen her
second. we watched them sail around. Helen
sure enjoys it - Carl does not like it so well. He
thinks it is dangerous. Thelma did not go up
we were to be home and get H.D. down to Tabernacle
by eight - was a little late and found little Sister
gone in the truck had taken Pamora and Phillip
well we went down to the programme. It was
fine. Hazel Dawn came home in truck and
was stayed for the show "The Hour Before Dawn" then
had a root-beer float. had a milk shake and came
home. a big day. I was very tired it took me three days
to get over it. I was going to write more but the
time just went by and I kept putting it off

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but was thinking of you all the time. It has been stormy and cold all week. Daddy has been out riding for cattle and got up yesterday morning at 3:30 A.M. to help get the sters started for the Austin ranch. It was dark and raining so he came back to bed about six-thirty. Then he rode again and got the rest ready - too many for one bunch so took the rest about six last night. Daddy was so tired when he got home we had a nice fire in the fire place and he got good and warm on the floor by the fire. Helen is working hard on the play for assembly tomorrow. I would like to go and see it. She will have to tell you all about it when she gets down there.

It is the Graduation Exercises in Paris today. Arnell went to Town last night. She will come for her things about one thirty. About Sparks is going to Salt Lake to see the show today. Said he is going to try and see Ruth. Wants to get back Saturday night. Sure wish Daddy had his grain planted but it looks bad - his tractor is still in Moutpelier. and there isn't anything he can

do about it. He wants to go up ^{to the ranch} and do some
farming if he can get up there. Well it
looks to me like it would be better to get a
good job and not have so much work
and worry. Daddy does not feel very well
and he hasn't really since he came from Cal.
Mr. Harney went to Ogden his brother John
died (I guess Grandma remembers him).
I wish I could wash your things and braid
your hair but I don't know when I will be
going down to do it.

That was nice of Aunt Ida to have you all
out to dinner. That was quite a hay rack
ride. you must have had fun.

When you write to Garretth tell him to get
acquainted with Uncle Warren. Don't
know just where he is but he goes to London,
often. I have been going to send you the
letter I got from Garretth but haven't done so
but will some of these days. (I like Pierre better
than handed her contract back to G.Y. Winter
unsigned. It makes me feel bad. and I
think it gives Helen a funny feeling.
I wish we all knew what to do for the best
at all times. The girls are so very busy but
they will write soon as they can. I will be
glad if Carl can come home. Had a
lovely card and letter from Jean.
write to him often. He is lonesome.
And write to us as often as you can.
All my love Mother