

Joseph, Oregon
July 20, 1914

Mrs. Sarah Gorham

Dear cousin I received your letters in due time glad to hear from you glad you got home the first night. I think them R.R. Men are awful mean. Jim says they are standing in with the hotels am sorry you didnt get to set your eggs sooner but maby they will hatch. I found

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a hen siting on 11 eggs under the grainery after you left she hatched 8 chickens. I have them in the garden. They are a week old and doing well We have lots of peas now wish you was close enough to get some of them. We have enough for 2 or 3 familys. The beets are nice too think I will an some this week We got our cabbage set out they are doing well. They just got the ditch finished last Monday. Had a break in the other

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ditch a few days after you left up on top the hill it run round above the hill and went in the other ditch over at Diggins and even out in Henrys field where the other did They fixed it in less than a day. Henry has sued the two ditch cos. For a \$1000. and you went to the celebration. We never went at all. I wanted to go on the pioneers day but we didnt get off. We didnt care any thing about the races. There was lots of hay put up last week. Got most of

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ours put up. They worked here all day yesterday and did the same at Guy Mitcheals Had some rain last night and a shower this morning though they are outing hay at Guys Jim and me caned 28 quarts of cherrys Saturday we seeded them. Our strawberries are blooming some. I am afraid they will do no good though they are growing nice our garden up on the hill is doing fine beans have bloom buds on them. Joe Mathews and

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Wife came and stayed all night with us Joe was in a big way. Belle and one of the girls came in last week and brought their cream and stayed all night. One of the boys was here yesterday. Joe Taylor was at home about a week after you left he says he is so much better over there than here Gibson is still holding his job. Eur is about as usual. We havent heard from Texas yet. Jim is awful restless and worrying considerably. It does seem like some body would write

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Yes I think you can send the pin in a letter it might be better to stick it in a cloth. I hadnt missed it. I would not call for it but it is one that Libbie gave me What do you think about peace in Mexico now Huerta is gone. I am afraid it will be the same thing over I have an idea you will start back soon do you suppose letters could pass to Chamal now How is Franks garden getting a long. Are the boys getting work to do. Write us before you leave.
Your cousin Mary (or May) Ann (Gilbert)

(Mary Ann Gilbert older sister of Joe W. Taylor is a distant cousin of Sarah)