Arapaho, Okla. Dec. 20, '28

Dear Auntie Sarah,

well it's almost Christmas again, isn't it. I know you wonder why I haven't written. I have been having trouble again with my throat & lungs. The Dr. says now that I have T.B. in one side — right lung. I took treatments of a chiropractor here in town, Clinton, for six weeks every day. I still cough but not so bad as I did. Bill & Papa are

- both out in N. Mexico & they want us to go out there. So many People are cured of T.B. that go there. The altitude there is 5000 ft. & it is only 1400 here. I don't think I have it very bad. I cough of course but more at nite. Frankie & her family are just fine. She has another Baby girl born Nov. 2 of this year. She & the Baby are both doing fine. She named the baby, Erma Francis for herself. I wanted to
- call her Francis but she calls her Erma. The baby looks like Frankie, I think. The Flu has been raging here again. Are you having sickness down there? I do hope you keep well, Aunt Sarah. Taylor Bob is out of the navy now, Aunt Sarah & married. He married a girl out there. She is real nice looking from her pictures & has a good education. I send all the pictures I had to papa & Bill when I get some more will send you one. Taylor & wife are living in San Francisco. David is
- living out there too & is going to a trade school at nite & works in daytime. They don't seem to want to come back here. Papa has bought 300 acres land in N. Mexico where Bill is. He will have something to do now, won't he? How are your boys & their families down there? I suppose you are planning a big Christmas. Not much Christmas here, so much sickness. Have you heard from Slidell lately? I think

5

of them so much. They never answered my letters so I just quit writing. Uncle Verge, Aunt Rachel C's husband has been sick for sometime & he died last week. We did not know exactly the cause. He was about 78 yrs. old. I think Aunt Rachel came home with Aunt Addie. She is in Oklahoma City now. Aunt Addie & her Baby girl, Katie Lee, live there. Papa will be home Christmas & I think they will come out here then. How are your crops Aunt Sarah? Good, I hope. We have good crops

6

& fairly good prices. My chickens have done pretty well lately. I get about 3 doz. eggs per day. Have about 185 hens. They are well now. Bill put roofing on the henhouse & 2 large ventilators. Well, I must close. Hope you keep well Aunt Sarah. Oh yes I wanted to

ask you what size shoe you wear Aunt Sarah. Maybe Santa get to see you by new years = C?

Lots & lots of Love & a Merry Christmas to you. Your niece & nephew, Kate & Bill Ball