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Dear Mother,

We were so glad to hear from you. I know you have been looking for a letter from me for sometime. So glad you are feeling better. Hope you will continue gaining strength. Amy's folks came over today. They were all well. Amy said they wanted to garden some but didn't have any seed. I gave her a lot of garden and flower seeds. Mr. Head died about two weeks ago. Merrett and his wife are staying with Mrs. Head. Guess Merrett and Herschel will farm the place this,..... Herschel has planted corn.

I took Mrs. Sullivan down to the cellar the other day to get her some garden seed. She said ours was the nicest cellar she had seen and the most canned goods she ever saw. We had a good rain about a week ago. Have been gardening quite a lot. I got Buddy to dig up a bed here near the house and planted lettuce, mustard and radishes, the radishes are coming up. I have planted a lot of flower seed. Helped Lewis plant garden two or three evenings. Grandpa came and helped him plant beans one evening. We planted a bit patch of black beans, pintos and navy beans, the most english peas we have ever planted. Cucumber seed too. Vera came home Sat. a week ago, came with Dock Nelson, his wife and wife's sisters. We were not looking for her. Rosa and I were down at Mrs. Sullivan's

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The children were at school and Lewis hadn't come home. She said she had been here about a half hour when we got here. She went down to the school house to visit a while alter we came home. She went to see Miss Marx, her Eng. Teacher in High school in the afternoon. Miss Minnie Lovett had just got a new car and wanted to try it out so she took Miss Marx and Vera to Altus. Then Nola and Vera went to see Marzell, then Miss Marx took Vera to the show that night. Miss Minnie went with them and brought her home. Dock and the folks came by after her Sun. evening. We sure were glad she got a chance to come home. She said at first she thought we might be gone to Erick then she saw beans on the stove cooking and I had light bread rising in the pans and she knew we would be home soon. I made her a skirt out of an old black dress and she said it was

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just a perfect fit and she liked it fine. Made Nola and her each a blouse of one of those silk dresses Atta sent. Made Vera a blouse out of one of her old silk dresses took the skirt and made elbow length puff sleeves. Am making Nola one of another dress. It will take the whole dress to make a waist. Got a pkg. from Nola a short time ago. She sent several of Sarah's dresses and they just fit Lona. Sent some aprons, handkerchiefs, one of her's or the girls dresses and a piece of new goods. Hasn't written a scratch yet tho. I wrote to her after we got the pkg. Got another long letter from Erma last week. She is in pretty good

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since they have a job. Said Oren got her some new slippers on their wedding anniversary. They get their groceries and dry goods at cost and that helps out a lot. She has a Mexican neighbor that sends them a quart of milk every morning for the children and she sends them what ever she happens to have on hand. Arthur is planning on dropping out of school during the summer time and go to Mex. with Jim and Woodrow Wilson. Arthur is teaching now, two hours a day at 20 cents an hour, has 143 students. Vera was to debate last Friday. She has judged a number of debates in the high school and judged in the tournament. I guess you think we never will have warm weather a \sim

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gain. We didn't need a fire several days last week but it is a little cool tonight. Didn't get any washing done last week was busy gardening and it came a sand storm Sat. Nola went on a "Tiger Scribblers" picnic Sat. afternoon. They went to the Granite Mts. It is getting late. Guess I'd better retire soon. Olive, I'll send this to you as I don't know Aunt Minnie's address. You send it on to Minnie. Hope Dayton is well by this time. Have set out a good many shrubs and flowers Grandpa gave us. Most of them are living. Haven't been to see Mother Sweet yet may go tomorrow afternoon as Lewis goes to the sale.

Love to all, Viola