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Dear Clarence, Ruth & Girls

Greetings from Wisconsin. We are having our rainy season. When we were passing through Alabama and Louisiana they were having theirs. Arthur says we need the rain. I am feeling fine. I vacuumed the floor in the front bed room. I move the bed & dresser. Now I am tired & its nine o'clock. Arthur is gone I guess there is a pump out at the chicken farm. We had a nice trip last winter. We left here Jan 9th got to Jacksonville on Thursday about 5.00 & parked on my nephews driveway. Then his mother flew in on Friday night about 9.30 We went to the house for cake & ice cream. We spent Saturday Sunday & Monday with Lucretia & Margret. We didn't see much of Paul. He was going to school for the navy & when he was home he had to study. We left on Tuesday morning & Lucretia flew back to Washington on Thursday. She has two years till she retires, then she is moving down there. My youngest sister, her youngest daughter & her son are suppose to move down there this June. When we left there we went to New Symirna (Smyrna?) Beach looking for a former Pastor they told us he had moved to Lakeland. We went to Sebring for a week. We have friends there, had dinner with them one night & went to church with them one Sunday. Arthur & I went to Cypress Gardens one day. It was a nice day & the place was nice. We got there about 8.00 in the morning & eft about 5.00. Then we went to Fort Meyers & found Irwin West. He fixed dinner for us. He has a nice trailer, one bed room. He has been going there for sixteen years. I didn't realize it had been that long. Arthur went & got him twice & took him over to our camper & he had dinner with us. Then we went to Lakeland after a week at Fort Meyers. Tried to find our Pastor. He had moved to one of the Carolinas. We stayed a week at Lakeland then went to Clearwater & put our trailer in a camp site & found some friends. They had things to do except Sunday morning so we went & had breakfast with them. I met her in a church circle at Lake Geneva in 1947. They lived here at Country Estates for six or seven years. Last Fall they bought a mobile home in Florida. Then on Monday we started for San Antonio Texas. We had a good day that day. Pulled into camp a truck came and filled our truck with gas. There was a restaurant right there so we walked over for supper. The next morning we left at 7.30 & it started to rain & 40 mile winds so we pulled into camp around 10.30 only got 130 miles that day. It rained all day & night & the winds blew. Arthur was in bed all day, thought he was getting the flu. Later he decided, something he ate at the restaurant didnt agree with him. We left there on Thurs. went through Alabama and Louisiana then Texas got there Friday night. Went to my sisters on Saturday & had dinner with them. She asked to come on Sunday to have dinner with them. They took us for a boat ride on the river after dinner. Then we

went to the Alamo. My niece took us out for supper. We spent three weeks in San Antonio. They came to the camper one Sunday for dinner. We ate out side. It was so nice. Then we left for home, got here Mar 9th. We have had good days & rainy days & dark cold days since we got back. I dont know much else. Ive been busy sewing. Was working on a quilt. I had yarn so made granny blocks for an afgan. Was supposed to make fifteen rounds. I made seven. I have to get yarn to put them together. I can keep busy I just hate to sit & do nothing. I bake & get meals walk with out the walker in side.

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