

March 11<sup>th</sup>

Dear Peg and Ollie

now I'll try to answer your letters. I, too, felt that I was stupid on the phone that Sunday. I couldn't think of a thing to say that was of any importance. I had to laugh when you said you thought we might be out for a ride. It was a raging blizzard here that day. But anyway, it still was a comfort just to hear your voices.

The map route we have takes us to 42 to Louisville Ky - 31W to Bowling Green, Ky. - 68 to Russellville, Ky. - 79 to Memphis, Tenn. - 70 to Little Rock, Ark. - 67 thru Texarkana to Dallas - 80 to Fort Worth, Big Spring, to Pecos - 17 to Ft Davis 118 into Alpine. On the map, I see you can take 67 out of Ft. Worth to Brownwood and San Angelo but it looks like a more wiggly road. If you have any suggestions, send them along.

I guess I told you the Trues also sent a list (approved by A.A.A.) of possible stopovers with price lists etc. They say this route is 1751 miles. Told you I met Betty down town and how very interested she was in all you are doing. So I mailed her the latest Shopping Guide and I promised I'd talk to her before I left.

The reason I didn't write last night was we were kind of upset. It looked like Suzanne was going to cost around \$300 to fix but now tonight they have decided they can rebuild the motor and it will be \$200 so that is

not quite so bad. That's a new clutch and I  
don't know what all, anyway everything that is  
necessary to put it in A. I. shape. Dad will get  
it by Sat. so that will give him time to  
drive it and break it in so they can check it  
all up again, before we start. So keep your  
fingers crossed for us. What furniture we send  
will I guess go R. R. freight, then odd and  
ends we'll send Railway Express as you did.  
I'll probably have someone pack my dishes.  
I'll pack the clock carefully. Mr Schaefer has it  
now and we should have it back soon. We  
will talk about Gram, when I see you. I've  
had another air. mail from Billa and one  
from Mary. Lovely letters both and I'll  
let you read them but they do make my  
heart ache when I realize how homesick Gram  
was and how she asked for me. She always  
wished that I could care for her if she was  
ever sick for long but that was not to be.  
And it used to worry me that if anything  
happened to me here, there would be no  
one but Ina to look after her. It no doubt is  
all for the best and some day we'll know  
the reason why. I have had no letter from  
Ina yet and I am hurt. But this too will  
pass. So many people have been kind to  
me and I am grateful and Dad has been so  
patient with my tears. I know I shouldn't  
weep for Gram but I miss her letters so

Glad you've had your land plowed.  
How big is your farm? Peckis are  
being very nice about our moving. He says  
"maybe you'll stay after all." Not know. I'm  
afraid. I am washing my curtains and  
stretching them without starch so they'll fetch  
better. Now for local news. Frances had a 6 1/2  
lb baby boy this a.m.. She called me on  
the phone this afternoon and was feeling fine.  
Isn't that wonderful? I will try to see her if  
they'll let me in. Then a clean not so  
good. Isabel fell Sunday night after she  
left the place she had gone for dinner. She  
has a sprained right ankle and a fractured  
big toe on her left foot. Anna took her to the  
hospital for X-rays and then to John's for dinner  
last night. Then they took her home and she  
called me this morning that Mrs Pollock  
was coming in to stay the afternoon & evening  
with her. It will be a week till she can work.  
Isn't that a shame? She has the worst luck in her  
falls. She doesn't know how she did it, just that  
she stumbled. Must sign off. Hope you are feeling  
better, your nerves, I mean. And the rest of the  
family well. I sure hated to send those pictures  
away. Kiss the cherubs for me. Loads of  
love to you all and we'll be seeing you  
Doesn't that sound wonderful? Love Mom

I am all over my gripper and Dad is fine.  
The weather is clear and dry now. I did  
write Mom & J. about the couch and had an  
answer today. They will get it before this  
fall but it doesn't sound as if Sis & Don will  
come up. I am sorry as I'd like to see them  
and Mom, too. Won't she be surprised when  
she gets those adorable pictures? I sent  
them off special del. note and all yesterday.  
What a time we had choosing? Can't you  
get some of P.A. & of C.M. then the colored  
one of both of them or must you just choose  
two. That's a hard choice when you have  
them singly and then together. I'll bet  
you'll have an awful time deciding. Yes,  
I think I will leave my sewing machine  
with Muriel or else sell it. I won't bring it  
anyway, nor my vacuum cleaner. No use  
bringing unnecessary things for it. seems as  
if the few things I really want will cost enough.  
It's not that we can't pay for it but we will have  
to be a bit careful, not knowing how Dad will  
make out getting work to do. We may get some  
things off next week, but will let you know.  
Don't worry too much about fixing up and cleaning  
the place. Dad & I can soon scrub it up after  
we get there. I'll want to do bug it, just in case.  
I still have to decide about the living room chairs. It  
will depend on what it will cost to crate & send them