

Monday eve:

April 17, 1944

Dear mama:

I was very glad to get your letter today and to learn that you all were O.K. hope this finds you all well, I am about the same as usual. Looks like Dennard and Ellis could have took time to write a little bit anyway, however I know they are tired when night comes as well as yourself. tell them they better write as they owe me a letter.

Sure glad to learn that you all are having some pretty weather now so you can farm as you need to work in the field so bad. I know you all were glad to get the tomatoes in the field, guess the plants were pretty large, hope they live O.K. Glad your chicks are doing good. I think I could eat a whole fried chicken now as I havent had any fried chicken since I was at home.

I finally got a letter from E.D. she told me that she was suppose to get off for a week or ten (10) days about may 7th, sure hope I get my furlow while she is at home. I havent heard from Lillie in several days.

I know you are proud of your room sint

and I am glad you got it, sure would like to see it. How many pills in it? you never told me in your letter. Mamma you can move my bed so you will have room for all your beds now send you got your new suit. Sure would be nice if you had a new house to put your new stuff in now.

Mamma had you all got the ten dollars I sent when you wrote the letter? hope you got it by now as I mailed it the 11th and you wrote the letter on the 15th so you should have gotten it by then. I sent it by registered mail. Mamma you all be sure and pay that insurance at Center before the 25th of this month as that is the last day we have to pay it. Be sure to write me if you got the money or not.

Mamma does Ellis think the Corn will have to be planted over again? hope not. Did you get a pretty good stand of potatoes? hope so. when do you all intend to plant some Cotton if the weather stays pretty? sure wish I could be there and help you all as you will have more to do than you all can do. I thought you were suppose to have a Cow or too - to come in by now, or have they? Denward you and Ellis better ans my letter and tell me all

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owe on the times and I will pay it. Take Care of
yourself, Ans soon.
Love, Lenard.

The news about when school is out and I ask
you in my letter if you thought you would be
promoted.

Mama I got a letter from Mr Prince and
he told me that he would put a moniument
up for Dad for \$84.00 dollars if we got the
order in before they go up on the pile. I want
us to get the order in next month. I wrote
E & D and Lillie and told them how much
I want them too pay also wrote Dorthey about
it. I know Lillie and Dorthey will be ready
with their part, but I don't know if E & D will
be ready with her part or not. I am sure they
will all be pleased with one like Lettie's unless
we want to pay more and get one that is larger
than that one. How is Dorthey and family? I haven't
heard from them in several days.

I heard some more good singing at town
yesterday afternoon. Believe me the wind sure
has been blowing real hard up here the past few
days, but it has not been very cold.

Mama you know Mrs Darnell that died a
while back over there Close too New Shady Grove,
she was a sister-in-law to Mrs Nancy Rhodes
that lives up here. I saw in the Times where Mr
Standfield passed away. You let me know how much I
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