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Miss Christine Smith
Rose Hill
Miss-



Etoyle Richards' step daddy died and he and Mrs
Green have rooms at Blue. Etoyle is working
over there. Myrtle McDonald teaches English there
imagine it.

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COMMISSIONER

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ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER

Sunday mite

Dear Christine,

Your letter was welcome this A.M.

I got letters from Martha and Bernice also.
Martha left Thursday mite. She wrote she
had a nice 3 girl room on 2nd floor of
course she will room with Carolyn and Kate.
As usual Kate is late getting there. I
think she went today- Martha will teach
the first semester. She said lots of strange
girls were there and that they were allowing
the girls to smoke in their rooms with
their parents permission. I surely do miss
Martha she is always so sweet and thoughtful
of me and helps me lots more than I
want her to. I believe she is one of the
most unselfish people I ever saw. Her
trunk and clothes were as usual
fixed to perfection and she has plenty
with the exception of a navy uniform
dress which she will get later on.

she will also need a rain coat.

Aunt Ellie left yesterday. I'll miss her of course but it's somewhat a relief to have her gone for awhile. She's so childish and quite a bit of trouble. I always feel bad when she leaves for I think it may be her last trip away from here.

Mary sent to me to borrow a dollar Sat. Bob Harris had come from Eupora Friday and told her there was a vacancy in Eupora school for a commercial teacher and he had recommended Gal. for the place. She wanted the money to call Gal. at Clarksdale and tell her to call Mr. Jobe and try to get the job. They called her and told her about it and she was to call Jobe. Today they hadn't heard from her so it's doubtful that she got it or she would have come home as the school opens tomorrow. I wish she could have landed it. It pays \$50.00 - I guess they wanted a college graduate.

Our school opens tomorrow. Mrs. Hardin has moved into the teachers home. Ethel Young got a place teaching grades. I have an idea that

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Etoyle got her in as she's been trying it
ever since she got put out. Vera E. Board
applied. I wish she could have gotten it -
Sonny Bay has been picking cotton. He
picked \$110 lbs one day and he was
thrilled to death. He has \$4.00 in his
dime bank and is going to keep picking
in the afternoons.

Christine is nearly dead for you to
come home but I don't know how
we can manage it as Waddy doesn't
come in till ~~that~~ afternoon and leaves
out Monday morning. If you come with
him you'd be compelled to go back
Sunday so as to be there Monday morning
so you'd really be on the road most of
the time. If you could get some body to
teach for you on Friday you might
come in the bus from Newton early
Friday morning get in here at 11 o'clock
and then you'd have to go back some

other way on Sunday - by train I guess.
We'll see what can be done tho - maybe
Daddy will see you some time this week.
right now he is sick and may not be able
to get off in the morning. I hope he
will feel better -

Everything is dull here and I've no news
to tell you.

The T & V crew are supposed to start on our
line in earnest tomorrow I hope nothing
else blocks it if not we may have the
line here in two weeks.

I hope your new roommate will be suitable.
I was sorry to hear Ruby Tate had gone
she was lucky wasn't she? Red Suggs
got her a place somewhere in Ala.

Nancy Patterson applied here but of course
didn't get it. Creston Porter's wife also
applied.

Christine, Martha said a girl told her that
she knew a girl who taught at Rose Hill
who never did get all her pay because
she didn't have a contract and that they
never did pay her all due her.

I don't think Ruby Nell is liking teaching
so well I heard she said she didn't
have a single vacant period and had
to stand up all day long. Bernice said
the only harm she wished for Ruby

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well was that she have one hid under
her equally as mean as Thomas but I
guess that wouldn't be possible. Chris if
I were you I wouldn't stand on my feet
all the time. I'd sit. I've got some
mighty good teachers who could teach
sitting as well as standing -

Martha made her some right pretty collars
she had nine or ten in all. They all
fit nicely and she didn't have a pattern
for any of them. We took all your cotton
dresses and shortened and made them
smaller. In fact I shortened most every
thing she had they all looked nice. I
had all her clothes cleaned.

Mr Mc Kay is sick so of course we
missed him at S. school. Hardly anybody
was there. Martha H. was there. She told
me she finally got her a room at the
telephone exchange.

Elizabeth only teaches 2 classes a day
and gets \$80.00 a month. I haven't

Been Clelia in weeks. She's mad about something tho I have no idea what. Leon never has come back from Memphis and hasn't written what he's doing. Bessie and I are planning to visit around over the Community soon I haven't had any chance lately to get out of the house much.

G.C. is going back to Clarksdale to go to school tomorrow. Mary is awfully glad his going back. They had to persuade him into going.

Bessie says she has a good place to board and has ice cream every day. I guess she'll get plenty fat. The man she teaches with taught in the same school Narcie did in her first year. Narcie still doesn't have a job. With all the vacancies it seems that she might have found something worth while.

I must close it's bedtime. I do hope it will be possible for you to come home soon. Maybe Dad will see you before long anyway — write me

Lots of love
Mother