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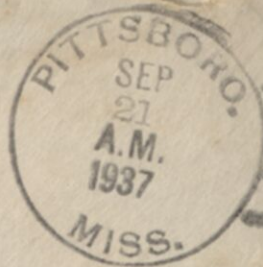
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AFTER 5 DAYS RETURN TO
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Monday P. m.

Dear Chris

I had planned to write to you and Bernice last night but after I finished Martha's letter I was tired.

I was so glad Dad took time to go see you and Bernice. He said you were looking real well. I guess the country atmosphere is better for you but I'm sorry teaching is so distasteful to you - maybe you can manage differently next year.

Katherine got the place in Europa school as asst Commercial teacher. It pays \$50.00 and board is \$20.00. She left yesterday. I'm mighty glad she got the place even if she doesn't get so much pay it will be a lot of help to all of them.

She came up here yesterday and said she was in a big tight and didn't know who to go to except me. She wanted to borrow \$15.00 to get started off on as she

didn't even have money to get down there m.
She said she would pay it back her first payday
As Dad said let her have it. We didn't have
it to spare but I felt like if that were one of
you in her shoes how much I would appreciate
some body helping you out and I let her have
it. She seemed very grateful. Mary put in
her application here for the place they gave to
Ethel young but of course they would give
it to a deserving girl who really needed it.
Lots of people are talking about them giving
it to Ethel when she didn't need it.

Daddy said he was trying to tell you who
the primary teacher was. She is an old maid
and a sister to Bro. Patterson the Baptist
preacher at C. City.

Mildred Chandler (or Creston's wife) has moved
up here she is going to teach the music class
they have rooms at Lucile Carter's - yesterday
she was at church and I asked her to
play she seemed glad to and did real
well I sure did feel relieved to have
her take my place. I wish she would
come every Sunday.

Chester says he's going to resign as S. S.
Bapt. next Sunday. He says he's tired out
and has been at it long enough
I don't much blame him. I wish I

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could resign out of my part. I guess Bro. Clark will appoint Bill Young. He is so crazy about him.

Clelia was over here yesterday. She and Chester went to the fair at Memphis last Wednesday and stayed till Friday. Leon is still up there. Clelia said the State Teachers College had offered to pay all his expenses in school if he'd enter and play foot ball. She didn't know whether he'd do that or work.

The electric poles are all up between here and Bruce - maybe when I write again I can tell you the wiring is up. Clelia & Chester were to have their house wired today but Lin going to wait till they get started to bring in the wires on over anyway. It's going to cost so terribly much till I don't expect we'll put any extra plugs in now or get any fixtures yet. Maddy is sick and don't seem to be getting any better so I won't be at all surprised

if he has to throw up his job any time - If he doesn't get better He just can't work much longer.

I made Maitha a pretty two piece linen dress and white collar and sent it to her today - She accepted the scholarship tho she only gets \$5.00 but that will help some.

Donny Boy has been real sick last week. I think he over did himself picking cotton so I'm not letting him pick any more. He has managed to make about \$6.00 one way and another and he's planning to sell his calf for \$8.00 I never saw such a kid to save his money.

I got a letter from Cousin Alice Randall the other day I was quite surprised for I hadn't written to her. I suppose I will have to answer it.

They had the two plays Sat. nite. The one the P.T.A. put on was positively the silliest I've ever seen. It made me feel ashamed for them. The Junior play was quite as good as could be and Donny Boy did better than any of them if I do say so Mrs. Hardin took over the coaching after she came and Donny Boy only got to practice ~~twice~~ twice as he was sick.

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Sorry Bay is gathering his pop corn. If
we get lights in going to buy an electric
corn popper.

I get awfully lonesome these days - there
isn't a day passes that I don't go to Bessie's
for a few minutes - daddy said he told
you to write to John Clark to come and
bring you home. I think that would be a
grand idea and I hope you can get him
to do that. He could come by for you on Friday
after school and you could get here before
it gets late. I want to see you so bad
need your clothes are here that you'll
you can come soon. yet - maybe
room mate yet? If not, I guess you are
enjoying your self.

Hum, I have no other news now
so must quit. Let me hear from
you once a week - anyway
Hope to see you soon
Katherine said she would write to you -
Love, mother