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Aunt Bessie is 83



Dearest Children,

As Dad has written

I will add a few lines. I feel better this evening than I did this A.M. My hips and legs hurt me so badly, but feel better now. Poor Dad caught cold over at Turlock, stood out in the cold wind and talked to some people untill he got chilled through and through. Now he is paying for it, Coughing and have a pain in his left lung. I had mustard plasters on him all night and all four noon.

We had a very nice trip. Found every one well except Aunt Bessie. She is pretty well crippled up. Goes with one crutch

leans on table and drainboard while fixing something to eat. pretty feeble and not too sweet natured like she used to be. The missionary lady I visited in L.A. was a very sweet little person. not too well. lives all alone. But she sure knows her Bible and lives up to every word of it. Well the missionary that sails for Keroa this week was here and took to Boxes of clothing shoes Cords and so on. I am so glad to get them off. I have enough on hands to get to a 6 more Boxes ready.

Say Emma there is not $\frac{1}{4}$ enough of those pieces and of all I can scrape up to make that little quilt. Have you any more cutting scraps. if so please send them to me. I do hope Ted's knee will be O.K. I am praying for him. well I will close. Oh yes Aunt never saw Rod and wife

some names Dad. Baby born the 23rd of April. I hope a little.

May 1st 55.

Dear Irma + Ted.

How are you, well I hope.
well I am not caught cold
over in the valley. We got back
on the 27th of April, Mom went
as far as Los Angeles, we found
everything fine here, flowers
full of bloom. it was good to
get home. Hope Ted is alright
by now. We found the boys busy.
Frank has a job as building
inspector at an army place
about 13 miles from home. his boy
Jim is in the air force up at Camp
Beale. Spellman is holding his job down.

Well I am trying to answer
about five letters today, do
of coughing while I am at
makes it hard for me to think
anything to write, Maybe Mom
do a little better, Oh yes how is
Thanks for remembering me on
birthday. And I am not getting
younger. 81 counts pretty big don't
I don't feel that old. Well come and
see. Love + Best wishes to you all
Dad Aldridge.