

Dear Bob:

We're all so glad to have you back in the States, and hope it will not be long before you are able to come home. I bet you were glad to see your Mother and I know she was as glad to see you and it's so nice when we're with you. We've had quite a lot of fun but didn't know your address and this we celebrated on 25th Wedding Anniversary Mon. eve with a dance - we were pretty weak on our feet - in fact this has been a very full week. We went to the slanted wedding dance Saturday evening at the Legion Hall at Russell. Was so tired from the night before and such jittery music they had, and not on top of that. We didn't dance much.

I was so in hopes all of you boys could be home and stay with us when we go on down there it would be like a real reunion.

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21 Oscar's family all
Came Freddy too - I was glad they brought him - he
said it was his first dance and he looked so nice.
There were about 160 - the hall was too small - we
served sandwiches - doughnuts and coffee at the
Masonic Hall and danced at the Workman Hall.
Oscar didn't get started to dance until it was
about seven - I think the drink must have helped by.
We gave two cakes away in the cake walk - Cleo
baked the cakes and Betty J baked one for the
door prize. She and Cleo made all the numbers.
The Russell & galafatos played - Grace Wilkinson
plays the piano and everyone, including ourselves -
enjoyed the music. We received so many
nice gifts and forty five dollars in cash - The Eastern
Star members each donated and got us a cake
about of Sterling - and said it was a starter if we
cared to finish it out so we will take the money
and get us a service for eight to match the cake
when it is available.

And don't faint - Frank bought me an orchid
Creeper and he had a Gardenia - and we had such
a ~~fine time~~^{time} & we will never be every we celebrated.
Only wish - Your folks - You & ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~old~~ ^{old} ~~days~~ ^{days} ~~were~~ ^{were} ~~now~~ ^{now}

31 Rose all here from the Club - just two tables. Harry has
a birthday next Sat. October 30th. Dickie fifteen years
old and never been kissed - so I told him - he
is so tall only wish he could put on some weight.
Harriet will soon be here - our wheat isn't any
too good - don't think our harvest will last long.

Jean & Everett & boys were out this evening - she
is getting the store today. Buckbee is going down
to Elmer Mial's - said Edna come get her a job right
in the office where she is. Jean sick Betty bad sick
she might go to - is a bad boy she could stay
over with her if she wanted to.

Mr. & Mrs. McNeely were here Wed. evening - had just
come back from Elkhorn. Said Buckbee needed
wanted to come up for our dance but Buck was so
busy he couldn't get away. He wanted Mabel to come
anyway but of course she didn't. Said Buck was
her on her birthday - they had fried chicken and Mr. Mc
Neely ate six drumsticks -

Mr. Stope came out this morning and they
are working on the well pump.

You folks have fixed up the yard so nice -
I don't know as when you get back.

41 It must be going to be dry - surely it would be
in by now. I was in hopes it would be good - then
the estate would eventually get another well - and
Acar needs one so badly - they are expecting the
Black-in about three more months. Goodness ^{Kansas}
they will need several wells if they don't cease
having children pretty soon.

I can't think of any special news to write
you - but know your mother has told you about all
of us and your friends. Frank said he would like to
come down to see you - it isn't much of a drive -
but didn't know if they would allow you to have
too much company - so when they do - don't be
surprised if you see us walk in sometime.

Hope you are feeling as good as you can consider
the circumstances - and it's such a peace of mind
to know you're back in Am. with Americans to wait on
and do for you -

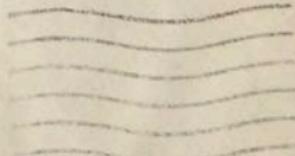
The very best of luck to you - and will

try and write again. Love & regards and go
Aunt Mabel Hoke

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