

806 Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas.
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Mrs. Dennis E. Brandl,
Yoakum, Texas.

Dearest Daisy, Dennis and children:-

We tried to phone you last night but the operator said that she could get no answer so we just figured that the Daddy's spoiled baby was there with you, and sure enough when we called this morning, and we were happy that you two sisters were together and could have a nice time visiting. We are well and hope you and your family are all OK too. If there would not have been gasoline rationing we would have been down there today. We had a nice letter from James about a week ago. They are now located at Arcadia, Louisiana. They did not give a box number so in that case when we address we always put it to Texas Company and I am sure they will get it. We were very anxious for Dorothy and the children to come up to see us before they went back, but James could not come out here from Houston because of the gasoline.

Well, it looks now as if they might get Benny, Dennis and James for the army, but I am still thinking that they can be deferred because of essential war work. I know that railroad work is important as well as oil work, because there is going to be an oil shortage if the war lasts many years.

We mailed you a box the past week with a few little things in it including a rain coat that Bruce has used. We would have sent it earlier but we could not find another rain coat for Bruce although this one was pretty small for him and yet he had to use it several days to keep from getting wet when it rained so much here. If you take good care of this coat it will serve for a rain coat for all three of your children as they grow up. It should almost fit Sandra Jean now. May be a little too large but by next year will be about right.

We had a nice card from that sweet Genevieve about ten days ago, and if it would not be for her, we would never hear how Benny is getting along. I do not think that we have had a letter from him this year.

We sure do appreciate the nice letter we receive from you and Gille each week. We are always so happy to hear from you. If you should come up for a few days while mother's rag weeds are in bloom be sure and bring your rain boots.

Take good care of yourselves and kiss the kiddies a thousand times for all of us. Love and kisses, from


Dad

The rain coat we finally got for Bruce is not near as nice a coat as the little one we are sending for Sandra.