

11/29/25

Sunday M.

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Dear Laura

I have so much to say I don't know when to begin! I would you were here with me by the fire & we could talk over the charms of New Mexico, especially Santa Fe, for I fell quite in love with that quaint charming old world town, & we were fortunate in having such sunsets on the White Saigu de Christo Mountain as one seldom sees.

I got back here this morning, & the Gieps flew in at 5 oc. - two days from Bishop's Lodge & all very enthusiastic over it, the trip I mean.

We visited them all these villages of course, went to the Rito de los Juegones? out to the boys school &c &c. Yesterday (Sat) Donald & Co. left at 6 a.m. & at 9:30 I went in to S. G. &

Spent a lovely long day with Lucy Taylor, who drove me over to Lamey Junction where I took the train home arriving at 9 a.m. this morning. I was somewhat disappointed in the Indians in all the villages, for I saw none in even a blanket, all blue jeans, & one always visualizes them in that region in red & green, & blue. However the whole effect was a feeling of being in a really foreign country with Santa Fe as the Capitol.

Cousin Lucy has a dear little home, & seems to have gotten a hold on the life of the town in a wonderful way - doing it rather differently from Madeline - for everyone seems to admire her & feel that she is a part of them.

The attractive woman in the Museum, what is her name, I saw & she asked after you, & was very nice indeed.

But Hagerman was living at Bishop's Lodge

but we saw very little 2. of him. He did say
however, he would <sup>6 EAST WILLAMETTE AVE.
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have some of your Uca Verde photos for his
office in S. F. He will be up here early in
Jan. & can see you then if he really means
business.

The Fyodor Cañon was far the most dis-
tinctive spot, & was charming. I walked
down in about 20 min. & back in about
2 hrs.

The altitude or something sort of got me
& I had horrid asthma every night. I was
there. I hope I left it there but I could
tell you that better tomorrow.

I found a nice letter from each of you
three members of my family, here when I
returned, all to answer this evening.

I feel that you must not work so hard
& feel so pushed Laura dear, & if it would

make it much easier & less hurried to stay
into January and Brenda wants you, why
don't you stay & not feel so rushed?

I don't want you to feel that you must
come back to me at all, for I am getting
on famously here.

Your father is what is worrying me greatly.
I will enclose this letter to you. Of course he
is having his stomach pumped out but it is
all in his mental attitude. Many of us could
sit down & say something is gone out of us but
it isn't right to do it, but to buck up, & try
to get at something, anything that will make
a living. It is a queer complex that he has.
It's always somebody else's fault - things go
wrong - It isn't the right way to look at our
failure, later the medicine & go at something
else & not sit & think about the Altis mess, &
the Carlton trouble, ~~would~~ fear it's something

wrong with Mr. Radford. I am wishing, if it
didn't cost so awfully 6 EAST WILLAMETTE AVE.
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take him up to Dr. Riggs. but I don't see how
it can be financed.

I know his letter just kill me, & I can
never advise him, for he never sees my point
of view about anything.

I hate to worry you children about such things
but I don't see, unless he gets some hold on
himself, what is going to become of him or
me - or us.

When he comes to N. Y. see if you can put
any courage into him, or if you think he
could be helped by Stockbridge.

A bill came from Dr. Eaton here, the first
of the month \$10.00, while he was in Los Angeles.

Did you know he went to him? He did it
till me.

Cousin Lucy was ill in the East all summer

+ looks badly still. She is very plucky & sweet
but she has a problem in that boy. He is
16 years old & about 12 in mentality, if that.
& so surly & gloom & hopeless. I hope the little
girl is better. She is in a church boarding-
school in Kansas, Topeka, I believe. The boy is
being tutored in Santa Fe -

I called Dickey up as soon as I got home, but
the pups have not arrived. Bessie came in
this morning with the cleanest, shiniest car
you ever saw all of her doing. She thought
she might go cabin wards this apt.

I ^{am} depositing the Crooks check for 120.00 to your
acc.

I must stop & write to Francis. He wrote me
really a very beautiful Thanksgiving letter, one
worthy of keeping as a treasure. I wish to
goodness the picture would come along, I want to
see what she looks like. Good night - Laura
dear, you are a great comfort to me
Your mother



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