

Oct. 22, 1936.

Clara and Al I am waiting very impatiently for the day to come when I will be seeing both of you. I certainly hope it will be real soon.

Oh dear. it's time for me to be on duty again so I will have to finish this later.

Four hours later.

A few weeks ago eighteen Sister and six drivers went on a picnic to Patagonia a hundred miles or more from here. Of course I went in wading and had a grand time. I also had a blistered nose and red, red face. It made me think of old times. Wish all of you could have been with me. On the way coming home we drove to the border line, Nogalas (42?). I wanted to go across of course, because I knew that would be the only way I could

Dear Alice + Maurice
+ Family :-

One again I break my New Year's resolution. I hope you don't think I forget any of you even though I don't write. Every time I see a piece of stationery I feel sort of guilty. Maurice I'm sorry if you don't like my life long letters that I write but I have to make up for the months I missed.

First of all I think I had better thank you all for your lovely gifts. Alice and Maurice the Kodak is a darling and I'm sending you one of the films. Please promise me you will not let it go outside of our house.

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candy, I'm quite sure you know my weakness. We all enjoyed it very much and thanks so much. Because you signed your name Bert I had to do a little bit of explaining and they had a good laugh at my embarrassment. When are you coming to visit me? Remember me to your mother and the rest of the family. How is George since he married? Please tell him I am quite disappointed because I didn't receive an invitation, in fact I just found out last month.

Well Pedro, I was quite surprised to hear that you and Edna were visiting in Yosemite. I bet you both had a grand time. Next year you must come to Arizona, so start saving your money now.

I almost forgot to say - you certainly teach you dog very fine manners don't you! I had a good laugh at that.

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I'm sure you won't realize all the trouble you can cause if you do. It's (the picture) is kind of funny the sun was in my eye, but Mother thought you would like it. Wasn't that kind of Mother?

Would Sam use some of your lovely box of stationery that you sent me. Some day I will write you an extra special letter. By the way, why don't you ever write to me? Are you too busy with all your girl friends? Helen and Clara your card and slippers were so nice. The slippers fit just fine.

Alma and Maurice every time I look at that dainty little card you both sent me I have a good laugh. The community thought you should have gotten a card that wasn't so small. Well better luck next time. Bert, I don't think I have to say anything about your lovely box of

time that has happened.

I can hardly believe that
Mama will be dead a year next
month. I can still hardly keep from
crying when I think about her. Of
course you will have a mass said on
that day. Just think Helen, it is
almost a year since I saw you last.

By the way Alice, what was the
idea of sending the newspaper to me,
you forgot the Junnies? I looked all through
the paper but could not find and particular
place marked. Please explain yourself.

I have some studying to do be-
fore I retire so I will have to close
lovingly,
Sister Mary Clarine.

P.S. Remember me to everyone. What are
you going to send those pictures? Did
Katherine had a girl or a boy?

ever get to Heaven. Maybe some one
would have taken a shot at me.
They wouldn't let me go so I can not
say that I have been in Mexico, but
I can say I saw Mexico across the
line. After a very delightful
day before retiring I studied a
few hours and finally went to
bed.

As you know, now comes my
grad course for not having written
before this, school has begun.
I only have
O my, the studies. I only have
Anatomy & Physiology, Materia Medica,
History of Nursing, Hygiene and Sanitation,
Medical Diseases, Bacteriology and
Pathology, Ethics and Methods of Nursing.
I am a lady of leisure! I don't think
I have to say very much except

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My reputation for my patients dying is still increasing. Very few of them ever live to go home. Such is life. If any of you should get sick, I will take care of you.

Last Tuesday Mother Franise Bernard came to visit us and left today. Mother asked about each one of you and wanted to know if Maurice was still as hopeless as ever. It was so good to see mother again. This is the first time mother has ever seen me dressed in white. Of course I had everything spotless but that didn't last very long as one of my patients vomited three or four times all down the front of the uniform. That isn't the first nor the last

that I need many, many prayers. You know what a brilliant student I am anyway. We have twenty-seven (I think) new students and I am the senior of the class. There were three male nurses and the rest females and two other sisters besides myself. The first day school opened, I was almost late of course, and I walked into the front door with our darling books tucked under my arms and entered the room. To my embarrassment and astonishment the whole class stood up as I entered (they thought I was the teacher's spouse). You can imagine the color of my face as I took my seat in the back of the room and the sister that had arrived ahead of me informed the class that I was just one of the students. We all had a good laugh.