

Delightful day we left about four
and arrived home about eight. To our
surprise we had a party awaiting us
on our return. The next day we started
for Tucson and arrived home about
eleven that night. I went on duty the
following morning. It was good to be
home again even though I had such
a grand time. I don't think I will
be able to forget it to my dying days.
I almost forgot to say I saw the
Rodeo over the Fourth.

Life at the hospital
is just as busy as ever. My list
of patients who have died since they
came under my care is increasing. Way
over twenty now. I saw the first one
actually die and to see me anyone
would have thought it was a relative
of mine. I couldn't help it though.
That night I was with a six year old
child that die. Her temperature was 108 and
her pulse was over 175. Her little heart
was beating so fast I couldn't count it.
I also saw an autopsy performed on
one of my patients and it didn't even
make me sick. I just kept wondering
if they had done that to Mama, did they? It
certainly was interesting and the doctor
explained everything so well. Another patient

June 20, 1936

Dear Family:
Everyday I say to myself
I shall write but "today" never
seems to come. So much has happened
^{since} I last wrote I hardly know where to
begin. Clara and Helen I received
your very welcomed letters and I
certainly was glad to hear from you.
Clara I'm just as happy as you over
the good news. After you are married
I expect to see both of you. Please
tell my future brother-in-law I
hope he knows how to behave
himself better than the other
brother-in-law. One in the
family is bad enough. Now Maurice,
just calm yourself, you can't hit
me because I'm too far away.
Alice I am sorry to hear
that you have moved but I can hardly
blame you. Have you everything
unpacked now? How are you feeling,
and better since I last saw you? Alice,
drink a great deal of water, it's good for

² distance from us and the tracks
are quite close by. I just love to
watch the trains and you can rest
assured I did it too. I saw one
freight with five engines. I had a
wonderful retreat and enjoyed every minute
of it. I trust you all have met the
retreat master. Did you make to Novena
to St. Ann this year?

The morning retreat closed
we didn't waste much time eating
breakfast so we wanted an early start
to the Grand Canyon. Twenty Sister,
Father and five dresses made up the
party. We did between 50 and 70
all the way up. I liked the open
range, didn't you? Alice did you go
by way of Prescott? The scenery to the
Canyon is wonderful and I enjoyed it
so much. Words fail me when I try to
describe the Grand Canyon. Alice, you
understand I'm sure. We all had
dinner together at the hotel and then
drove to Look Out Tower where we
could see the Painted Desert. Did
you go there too? The Indian guide
explained all the paintings to us and it
certainly was interesting. After a very

² you and will help you. are you still
working? When are you going to
send those pictures? Talking about
sendings me things, I would certainly
appreciate it if you would send me
a leather case for our fountain pen
and pencil and thermometer. The kind
you attach to your side. If you don't
understand what I mean ask Mother
Mercedes or maybe Helen would know.
By the way, do you know Mother Paul
is at Star of the Sea? Take her for a
ride sometime, will you?

Weeks Later

Since I started the above I
have been many places and seen
many things. The latter part of June I
packed our suitcase and drove to
Prescott (sp?) We left about 3:30 P.M. and
arrived about 11:00. It was a wonderful
drive and the scenery was simply beautiful.
As you know, Prescott is a thousand feet
above sea level and as a result my
head was going around in circles. It
wore off in a few days. We have a
beautiful site here which enable us
to look down on the town which lays
at our feet and see for miles & miles on
all sides. The station is but a short

4. I think it's about time I was changed again, don't you. Changes are being made so don't be surprised if you hear in some place else. I have a funny feeling in my stomach. Did you know whether Mercedes has been changed? Well - I don't know, yet.

I had a lonely feast day and received many cards & medals & prayers. One sister gave me a medal & chain and I immediately put over beautiful watch on it. The patients even laugh at our dainty watch. Well, I like it and that's all that counts.

It's almost time for me to be back on duty so I will have to close.

Love
Sister Mary Clarine

P.S. I will be praying for all of you on your birthdays. I hope this letter makes up for the ones I didn't write.

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that was dying kept saying, "sister Clarabell you are a blessing." anyway he had my name partly right.

I think it's about time I explained myself for not having written before this. You see I started this letter June 20th and this is August. After my return trip from up north I really meant to write but never did. I knew our birthdays were coming soon and of course I wanted to write but I knew I couldn't ever get two letters written between now and then so I waited. I have class in the morning and afternoon and it doesn't give me time for anything. Please pray real hard for me that I pass in my studies and that it will sink into my head.

When you certainly have been faithful in writing to me and I certainly appreciate it. Some day when I'm going to write a private letter just for you and for no one else. So if you ever a letter comes addressed to you, you will know.

You are all my friends, etc. please remember me to all of them.

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Sister Rebecca asked to be remembered to all of you and sends her love. By the way her birthday and feast day are the 30th and 31st of August. Don't forget.

Just think Clara you will be twenty-seven years old and one will be twenty - you. It hardly seems possible. Sister Rebecca says leave off the twenty for me. One patient told me I was thirty years old. I laughed, so many funny things happens but ^{they} are rather difficult to write. Wish you were all here so I could talk a long, long time.

Arnold! when are you going to write to me? are you still working in the hospital? How are all your girl friends? Why don't you have some of your friends drive you down here! Peter are you still working? Would you like to be a nurse in the hospital? If ever you do, come down here. Do ^{the} boys still write letters to you?

How are Grandma and Grandpa getting along? I heard that

Grandma wasn't feeling very well. Is she any better? How is Grandma Lichel? The next time you see her please tell her I have been thinking about her so much and would love to see her again. I trust all of you are well and happy. aug. 13, 1884

again I try to finish this letter, I hope I succeed this time.

I received a card from P. do saying she is having a grand time at Yosemite. Alice & Maurice I received your lovely gift. It's so cute. Everyone wants me to take their pictures, but I haven't so far.

Two sisters returned from a trip back east and stopped at St. Paul and saw Sr. Elise. They didn't know she was my aunt and one of them she said, you look like one of our sisters. Sister Elise told them that I was her niece. They were so surprised. Sister sent me a nice box of cards and medals.