

3248 Burton Ave., Lynwood, Calif.  
July 29th, 1927.

Dear Mother, Mary, and Will -

We were so glad to get such a nice letter from Mother. I am awfully glad you are all enjoying the new porch so much. I would like to see it. It is eighteen years since I have seen Oberlin in the summer when it is looking at its best. I wish I could be there too with this wonderful Hudson Coach I have now, and take you all out riding!

You will be glad to know about the car I have now. I finally decided it would be better business to buy a better more comfortable car rather than be sick all the time from riding in the Ford, so looked around until I found what I consider a good comfortable one at a price that should not be too hard to pay for. I traded-in the Flivver, and have to pay \$35.60 per month for 12 months, which includes interest, insurance, transfer etc.,. I feel so much more successful just driving in this car that it was a good investment in helping to raise my morale! The Hudson takes twice as much gasoline as the Ford, but it is worth the difference. It is big enough to take friends along and the baby's basket, and it has enough power to climb hills that the old Flivver shied at! I got stuck on a steep hill in San Diego last May with the Ford that scared me out of trying to go anywhere with it!

Tomorrow we are bringing the Manning family out to spend the day - which would have been impossible with the coupe. I don't know whether we told you that Miss O. Niel died some time ago after a long illness. Mr. Manning went back to Massachusetts with the body for burial last month, and visited at the same time with his three brothers there that he had not seen for a great many years. Mrs. Manning always asks about you Mother every time we see her. Your other friends all ask about news of you too. You know Mrs. Boyd Sr. was here late in the winter but rushed back to Cleveland in a hurry because Dolly had another baby. She is in Cleveland now. Could you write her or maybe invite her to call on you in Oberlin while you are there?

I have been hoping that you would be coming west with Will this fall. We have been planning on your coming. What do you and the rest of the family have to say about it? We have more room now than we had last year, Coral is home all the time now instead of working as she had to do when you were here. We have a lovely home that we want you to enjoy with us and you will want to see your grandson. Teddy might be hard on you - which would be the only drawback. Babies so young are always tiring for others. He has a good healthy lung capacity and is not a bit bashful about letting the neighbors know it! You just ought to see his dimples when he smiles! I expected to send you pictures of him before now but wanted to retouch them and have never had time yet. We will send some soon tho. We have pictures also of Will here for him that he asked for. I'll send a couple

*and he can get the rest when he comes. We are awfully glad he is coming to visit with us. When is he leaving*

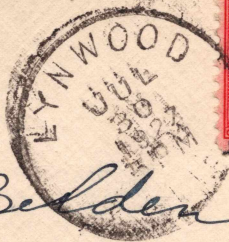
Berlin? When will he get here? I suppose he  
will stop in Chicago to visit Evelina. I wish  
you would come with him, if not now  
can you come before winter sets in?

Love, Selden.

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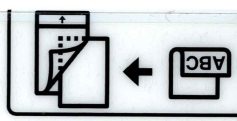


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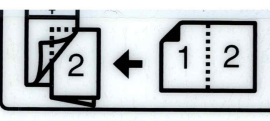
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