

(Come up.)

Topeka July 23 - 1919.

Dear Bro, Sister, Irene & every body.
We read your letter of June 13th
had begun to wonder if you were
still living, but mighty glad to
hear from you and that all were
well. Every one well here I guess.
We were at Carl's Sunday. They
had just begun thrashing the
field south of the road by the
rail road made nearly 30 bu
to the acre. Had just started on
the other piece north of the road
that is the best yield we have
heard of so far but not very
much thrashing is done yet.

Tom's brother Steve, wheat made nearly
20. it is running from 18 to 30 in around
that locality some localities not so
good. corn on Kaw bottom land or
any bottom land is fine. upland corn
in most places poor. needing rain
badly. we had so much rain for
awhile. guess it all came at once.
glad you managed to buy the farm
before the raise came. as I don't think
you could buy it now at that figure.
If land jumped in price there
like it did here. there has been
lots of land and town property
changed hands. The old Galliger
place (that joins the Linda Potter place)
sold for \$10,000 - 112 acres. nearly all in
wheat which went with the place.
we had lots of fruit here this year but
it was very high. Strawberries \$5 to \$6 a
crate. cherries \$3.00 to \$4.50 per bu. black berries
& raspberries \$7. to \$8 per crate. apples are now
5 to 10 cts per lb. Texas peaches 3.25 to 3.50
per bu. I got a nice lot of cherries &
gooseberries but only 7 qts of blackberries
eggs are 40 cts per dozen. Oh yes
we have an airplane here now. taking
passengers up. at the rate of \$1.00 a minute

no trip less than 10 min. and
they are doing a land office
business now for nearly 3 weeks.
fly mornings & evenings when the
wind is not blowing too much.
another plane came in yesterday
so I guess they will have competitors
come up and we will fly with
them. I don't see why you
can't come while Fern is there.
you & Herschel drive up.

all of you come that can. don't
see why you can't get away while
you are all there. would love
to see Fern & Walter's girls.

Mary & Helen have been at Sophie's
for 2 or 3 weeks. like it there
real well I guess. and Sophie's
health is fine again. guess I will
have to stop no more room. Love to all
Fern & Emma