

Chouteau Okla Aug 12 - 1959

Dear Irene -

I was glad to hear from you, & that you are all right I knew you was expecting company so I know how busy you was. I went with my bunch to Saline Creek east of Salina last Sunday had a nice time the water is so clear & cold, Willie, Marge or I never went in but the rest did & would shower & shake & stand in the sun, Willie said he didn't see what good it done them to go up there, but it is a nice place for kids to play in the water - Archie's wife didn't go as she

hasnt been well & went to
Okla City today for a
check up, she had a cancer
removed when they was
in Germany & they are
so afraid it will be some
place else. I sure hope
not they have 4 children
one just walking - Wayne
went to work & one of the
boys he works with took
him home ^{that} night to
get his clothes, & he told
Lucille that he would
call me when he got
back over there but guess
something went wrong.
he got a letter from the
insurance Co, Jess opened
it (rosey) & they offered
him \$1800.00 so they sent
it on to him but havnt

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heard from him so dont
know what he has done -
Bobbie Blaine + Boys Come
Sat night + I went to
Lucille's with them a while
one of her boys had been
over there for a while +
they took him home - yes
that was an O'Possum
that got your pullet I
have seen them kill a
big hen - when we lived
at Jay we heard a hen
squall + I took the lantern
+ the dog + went to the
hen house + there was the
biggest one I ever saw
+ the dog killed it + the
hen was already dead -
they always go back to
finish one if they can
I have left a chicken

that they killed & set a
trap & caught several that
way. I don't think a rat
will kill one that big &
when they do kill the
small ones they suck the
blood & kill a lot in one
night & pile them up. that
is one thing I like about
my dog he sure kills them
I found one ^{poisoning} the other
morning that he had killed
he is smart any way
yesterday eve, I had star-
ted to eat supper & I heard
him & knew he had tried
something as he don't bark
much, so I went to see
& looked under some tin
& there was a Rabbit I
said Tim you stay here
& watch until I go get

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the gun, & when I went
back he was waiting &
told him to get back so
I wouldn't hit him & I had
to get down on the ground
to shoot, but I got it
then I pried the tin up
so he could get it, if
I had raised the tin
first it could of got
away so there is so
many weeds & spouts to
get in that the dog would
loose it - so he had a Rabbit
for his supper. I have
helped him get a lot of
Rabbits when they get in
someplace he cant get
to them. if I could just
break him from running
to the gate every time
any one comes - he dont

Chase Cars is bad so he did
we have had a lot of rain
but none lately & are
beginning to need it again
tomatoes are ripe now
don't seem to be so much
acid as there are some
times & I can eat them
better - I canned a bu
of peaches that were so
nice I got them from
a man selling them
they came from the
Blackledge Peach Orchard
near Porter, gave \$2.50
would I get another
bu but didn't want to
buy jars. I have a lot
canned as it is - well
I will close & go milk
& you will be tired of this
silly letter but, also why
you have time ^{with love} ~~write~~