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Dear Susan & Geoff - No letter from you this week or last. + my letter to you - written last week was returned to me, as I had told you to check - so I must be careful. Barbara, Harold & Childrey have gone to Cilcwm for three days. Harold had a week's holiday & one day we were there for the day & finding they could get rooms in a little farm on the side of a mountain they went. I don't know how they will like it - it all depends on fine weather, it is very peaceful there & will do them good I hope. We were glad that Dad had left their own house ^{some months since} - the opposite one has gone - she is very glad they were no longer there. The weather is not very good, showery but warmer than it was & peas are coming up in the garden. Yes, thank you we need the butter you so kindly sent - we are now getting $\frac{1}{4}$ lb butter + 4 oz margarine (or lard), or we can have all margarine - we can have 2 oz

Tea, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb sugar, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb Bacon every week
& $\frac{1}{2}$ lb marmalade or jam or syrup a month -
also at present 1/- worth of meat - all
these being for one person. Fish, fowls
rabbits are not rationed but much of
these are expensive or unobtainable.

However we manage all right. We are all
quite well. We hear that millions of eggs
are to be sent from U. S. A. There is
not much feeding stuff for fowls.
I had written a very long letter - too bad
I could not send it. Mrs Williams
has been ill since Annas & was in hospital
where she died on Easter Sunday - we had not
seen her for a long time. Mrs Waigh was up
yesterday with Mr Waigh - they had heard
from Geoffrey - they are expecting an arrival
in June. I had a letter from Mrs Nicholson.
Sydney was mentioned in the King's New Year's
honours list & on March 15th, she & his wife
went to Buckingham Palace to see him re-

receive his decoration from the King, who shook hands with him & pinned it on his chest - it is a beautiful silver cross, finely chased & Sydney left for Scotland the same night. Elwyn is still awaiting his call. She said she had heard how bad the Wensley side rails were. Mr. Wapshott to go to see Brian on Wednesday. Marian Wheatley is staying at Auntie Nellie's they sent us some lovely primroses on Thursday. Elizabeth can say a good many words now - she says No very decisively. She looked so grainy wearing a Union Jack flag & shee carrying a big basket on her arm. Aunties are both rather deaf so they are putting some stuff (ordered by Dr.) in their ears for several nights, preparatory to going to him to have wax removed. I went to him some time ago & can hear well again. Dad & family return home on Sunday evening, the air is lovely at Cilcom - mountain air. Sat³ I am afraid the parcel I sent on 12th March has been lost, as the paper says all mail posted on 14th March has been lost.

I had a letter from Dad this morning
& she phoned this aftⁿ. They are en-
-joying the country very much & today
has been fine & warm. Baby likes
to walk, & does not easily tire - she
uses the little pram as a bed at
night. I have been gardening ah no 3
all afternoon. peas look strong, parsley
abundant & onion nearly ready for use.
We have had rather a cold spring - rain &
little sun, but it is improving & I like it bet-
-ter than warmth & deep frost. We are
all well. Norman wants Aunties to go there,
but they don't care for the journey -
next month the clock is to be put on all-
-other hour - so as to take advantage of
daylight. With much love to all from
your loving mother. Auntie had a
letter from Mrs Gilpin - her letter to us ah
Xmas & a cake she sent were lost.