

Centurion Drive, Ocala

Sat^o. April 29th 1939.

Dear Susan & Geoffrey. Thank you for letters
recd on Monday. We are having cooler weather
again - house temp: today 50 only. & slight
frost at nights but it has not harmed
anything - everything is green. Tomorrow Harold
is taking Dr. & Mrs. Anderson into Wales, near
Portmadoc, to see a house they think of stay-
ing at for their summer holidays. It is
too far for Barbara & Geoffrey to go in a
day. We saw Brian on Wednesday & stay-
ed nearly 2 hours with him - he had been
very disappointed not to have been al-
lowed home for a week end. We went
by bus this time, it takes much longer but
we had quite $\frac{1}{4}$ hour more time with Brian.

I am glad you boys have help again.
I am sure you must need it. Thank
you for the $1\frac{1}{2}$ dollars but you should not
have sent it for there was some money
over from the Cash material. I hope the
horse disease will not appear this year.
Auntie Dr. & her sister were at Aunties

on Thursday. They think they have a
purchaser for the land opposite that
Uncle Tom bought for his poultry. They
will be glad to have the money for it.
Auntie Nellie has not been so well,
they find Dorothy very trying, but she
is much better in health so may be going
away before long. Brid always gets upset
with her. Sunday Jack came unexpectedly
yesterday about 5 o'clock, & stayed until
after dinner today - he had been to
see Brian yesterday afternoon, &
he also saw the Doctor, but he said
he would not be allowed home yet.
Aunties, Barbara, Geoffrey & Jack all had
dinner here. I had roast beef, & roast & baked
potatoes, gravy, cabbage, & plum pie, mince
pie & gr^d rice pudding. It is very windy
again & quite cold in the wind, with a
rough sea. Dr. Leigh's mother is ill,
the Dr. says she has had influenza,
she was very feverish & did not know
any of them - she is 94 years old & has
had such good health always.

Ralph & Rudolph (the Refugee boy) return to school on Tuesday. They quite like Rudolph but he is extremely untidy, he is about 14 years old & just drops all his clothes on the floor & hops into bed, he is longing for his parents to come over to England but so far they have not got a pass. The Father has had a post offered at a school (£80 a year) & he may have the children with him in the holidays. So the King & Green are to come over in a passenger liner instead of the battle ship - it will be more comfortable for them. Barbara has taken Geoffrey out now & when they come back here to tea. I have made some jelly for them. Beniam is fond of it.

I listened in to Raymond Gramling on U.S. news last evening. He seemed to think the Americans more inclined to take some part in helping the Democratic nations if war comes.

Capt. Cox is not going to Chester this Wed³,
because it is Chester Cup Day (races)
& all the vehicles will be crowded &
the roads congested with traffic - he went
a week ago & said they had had a wire
from Harold. Mrs. Bickersette is sailing
earlier than she had planned.

This is a very dull letter, but there is
little news. Hoping you are all quite well -

With dear love from
Your loving Mother.

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