

Lee, Nevada
Apr. 13, 1926

Dearest Betty and Ann -

This is the ~~first~~ letter of my little baby sister that I promised to send you a long time ago. Won't you please excuse me for making you wait so long? I am awfully sorry.

Show them to Mamma and Waddy too and tell them that I do love them and am going to write to them next. You must have thought that I had forgotten you, but I certainly

haven't. I can't seem to find
time when I'm not too tired to
write to anybody.

ask mother if she knows
that Essie has a little baby
sister, born Apr. 3rd. and Bill
McLarney has a little baby
brother. and Bob and Peggy
Farrar are going to get a baby
next fall.

Love to you all and a
great big kiss.

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⊗
Uncle George

⊗ Barbara
⊗ Leah



This is the latest picture we have of Barbara but I'm putting it first because it's her best picture and I want you to remember it more than the others. Barbara was about five months old when this was taken - just as old as Mary Caroline was when you were at the Rindess last summer. She has a sweater on her

like Mary Caroline. Nannie made it too.
and can you see Mary Caroline's petticoat?
Her dress was a circle too short and
Barbara didn't know her daddy was
going to take the picture in time to change
her dress. Betty, I think her hair is
going to be curly because it grows on her
forehead just like yours did when you
were that age. I have a picture of you
in mother's arms. Her hair is dark
like yours and her eyes are dark here.
She weighed 17 lbs. when this picture was
taken.

Do you see all the snow on
the ground? It was cold then but
now it is warm again. The snow
is all gone and our grass is getting
nice and green.



This is Barbara and Tetah, but
don't let mother and daddy say
~~that~~ Tetah got fat. She didn't - it's
just being so close to the camera.
But Tetah has got her hair cut
again because it was falling out.

Barbara is the one who is
fat and Mary Caroline's petticoat

steel shows. Barbara wears
short dresses now and many
Caroline's things are all washed
and ready to be sent back to her.

Barbara is frowning because
the sun is in her eyes.

You can just see the rear end
of Tetch's horse tied to the fence.
I'm sorry his face doesn't show
but he is beautiful. He is just
two years old and Uncle George
broke him for me last summer.
Some day I will take a picture
of his face and send it to you. His
name is "Comet." He looks as if
he hadn't any tail, but he has. The
wind was blowing it round to the
side.



This is Barbara in her craddy, taken quite a while ago. She is much bigger now and eat orange juice and prune juice and tomato juice and toast. Pretty soon she will have mush too. and now she is getting so smart. she shakes her head back and forth so hard. One day I

held her up to the mirror and she thought she saw another baby in it. She shook her head and then saw the other baby shake her too, so she shook her's again too and the harder she would shake the harder the other baby shook. It was very funny. and now, Puddin', she has ~~back~~ just like you had when you were little. Every times someone coughs she looks and then she sneezes up so tight and coughs too. We laugh and she knows she's cute and she does it some more. In the morning when she wakes up at 6 o'clock for her breakfast she talks and coaxes for someone to come and take her out of her crib and if no one comes right away she starts to cough. Then Uncle Gary and Tetch laugh out loud and she coughs all the harder.



This is another one of Barbara in her buggy. She is trying to smile. She really does laugh and squeal a lot but mostly for Uncle George.

Barbara wants me to say "Thank you" for the pretty bunny you sent her for Easter. She held it in her hand and I guess she thought she was supposed to eat it.

for she put it in her mouth. She
going to save it until she is bigger and
then I can tell her that you sent it.

She was sorry that she couldn't
hunt eggs with you, but she can't
walk yet. Uncle George and Teta
will bring her to see you when she
can walk.

Barbara was sorry too that
she didn't have any Easter
bunny to send you but we haven't
any ~~more~~ bunnies here at
Lee.

You'll let Mary Caroline see
these pictures too, won't you?
Did Mary Caroline like her
birthday doll? Barbara has one
just like it and it hangs on
her buggy.



I knew you'd like to have a picture of Nannie too. Wasn't she look nice? This was taken in Uncle Jay's car just as we were going for a ride. Barbara used to sit on Nannie's lap just like Mary Caroline did. She loved Nannie so much and missed her. Some

day when Nannie comes to see us
again she's going to bring you with
her. I'm sure mother would let
you come and Barbara will have
so much fun playing with you.



This is a picture of Uncle George's dog "Sport". Isn't he pretty? Ask Daddy if he doesn't think Sport looks like our dog Tip. Uncle George says that Sport is Barbara's dog too now.

We have a big dinner bell outside our kitchen door and when a meal is ready we ring the bell for

everybody to come and eat. Spot
does not like to hear the bell and
always cries, when he hears it. He
points his nose up to the sky and
cries so hard. Uncle George took
his picture while he was crying.
You can see Uncle George's shadow
down in the corner of the picture.

Spot is the dog I told you
about before, who always keeps Uncle
George with the cows and horses. He
loves Uncle George too and saved his
life two years ago. A great big black
bull got mad at Uncle George and
threw him down and kept hitting
him hard with his sharp horns. Poor
Uncle George couldn't get up, but when
Spot saw what the bull was doing to
his master he jumped on the bull and
bit him and the bull turned to fight Spot
and some men helped Uncle George up, so
we all love Spot.



Miss Betty and Ann
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Texas

Aug. 29, '73.

Eddie - I couldn't resist sending this to you before I put it in either Betty's or Ann's box. But I want it returned! Understand? ☺

Now that Barbara lives in your same town, she could see it too.

I'm deep in getting order out of things which have been stored. At least they will be easier to separate.

Think if Tom and I had never moved and had an attic. Cause he was as much "pack-rat" as I!

Love

Rufus

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Mar. 7, '74

Dear Rufus -

Writing letters was never my great deal, as you know, and now as I am really aging and my hands are so shaky, I put my letter-writing off more and more. Please forgive me? I think of you very often.

I am still alone in this 4 story house counting one attic, two living quarters, and one basement. I am thankful that the Cavenders are nearby and that I have dinner with them every evening. I

still have 6 months driving
on my driving licence but
Barbara and George ^{have been} ~~per-~~
suading me to stop driving,
and I finally did stop, but I am
so unhappy about it and I tell
them that they have taken
away a part of my life.

Tina comes and gets me
and brings me home after
every dinner, and Barbara
does my shopping, but it
has taken away so much of
my independence. I can't
walk very far because of my
lungs and heart. Marge
Pearce lives just two doors
from me and we spend much
time together. Marge's hearing
and seeing are going very fast.

I fly down to Las Vegas to visit with George J. and his wife and they come here. I have a long lay-over in Reno on my way flying down so Edie and I manage to get together for a visit.

The Cavenders live quite close and Bob is doing well with his insurance business. They have three children in school here. Tina will graduate from high-school this Spring and Jan is graduating from Greeley College in Colorado. Bill and Linda are both ~~to~~ married and live in Denver.

George J. and Mary have a nice new house in Las Vegas. I enjoy visiting with them but

I wouldn't want to live there.
George, in aside to being Dis-
trict ~~and~~ attorney there, is also
attorney at the airport in Las
Vegas for United Airlines.

I'm returning the yellow
worn letter of 1926 from me to
your two girls. I enjoyed seeing
it and also Barb's picture Tom
took of you and me and a few
Cavenders in front of their house
on Pine St. "Those were the days!"

My love to you and your
families.

Love - Evie