

AFTER FIVE DAYS RETURN TO

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Mr. J. N. Crosby,  
Bartle,  
Cuba.

Clarence

May 14,

Dear Brothers & Sisters;

*Jesse*

Just a hurried note this A.M. to say that I have just returned from Johnson City a few hours stay as I could not be gone from home very long. Joe & his wife were there & I returned home with them as they were on their way back to Ark. by car. Found Clarence in a very bad condition. The medical man Dr. that examined him told Joe he could not do anything for him. A Chiropractor that Ruth called in did give Ruth some encouragement. She is real experienced in diets & had him on a strict diet of vegetable juices lemon & milk.

His system is terribly poisoned from his kidney condition & she felt if this could be worked out of his system before it was too late he would get better for a while at least.

Joe told her in his opinion from talking to both Drs that only a miracle could help him & she said that she expected a miracle to happen. We both felt that he was getting better care there in the trailer than he could get anywhere else for if anything could be done it would be thru diet & nursing which she is very capable of doing & anxious to do as well.

They wanted to find a practical nurse to help Ruth but were unable to find one so took an elderly negro man that was recommended very highly at the employment office & a card from Ruth this A.M. says he is proving very helpful.

So he isn't suffering to speak of is in good hands & the boys are eager & are taking care of the financial part of it in a fine way.

Part of the time he seems perfectly normal & then he gets confused. He knew we were leaving & then he thought it was himself that was going & kept saying he would like to get started to get there before it got too late. I had a nice long talk with him in the A.M. while Ruth & Joe were doing some errands. The card from Ruth this A.M. said he seemed to be in a stupor most all day Wed. but finally brightened up in the evening.

Joe thinks it best to go ahead & make all the arrangements as everyone is so scattered & communications are slow at present then if we do not have to use them we can all be happy that we do not.

In case that it is needed the boys would like to use the South Wayne cemetery & if there is room on the same lot with Papa & Mama would like very much to have him buried there (unless they decide that some of the other boys might like a lot there too in which case they would buy a lot for the family use.) However they do not want to use our lot there without the consent of the rest of you so I told him I would take it up with you right away & let him know so I am going to ask you to write me by return mail as I am very much of the opinion that unless he starts some improvement right away he cannot remain here much longer.

Hope the rest of you are all well. Ruth is going to keep me posted on his condition & I am to pass it on to the rest of you.

Love,

*Fannie*