

Cincinnati, O.

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Dear Dad-

I'm like a child with a new toy - we moved into our house last Wednesday and so far everything is functioning satisfactorily. The temperature is in the 50's, so I built a small fire in the furnace tonight to get some practice - it seems OK too. Ann and the boys like it fine - you should see Billy run to the window every time a train passes. He doesn't like the passenger trains - because they have no caboose. "No booch", he says. Jerry and Dennis started school today. Dennis only goes 1/2 day. It's

7 or 8 blocks to the school house, but Dennis is going to ride with some neighbors in ~~an~~ a car - there and back. We thought he wouldn't like it, but he is eager to go.

We can turn Billy out in the yard, and don't have to worry too much about him - I'm sure everybody will do better here. Billy had a little cold yesterday but snapped out of it today.

Ann's Dad is here - he just returned from W. Va. Friday. He plans to return to Lansing end of this week. He can tell you all about the house - but the best thing would be for you and Mom to come

up to see us. We are now in a position to offer you a good clean room with plenty of "walking-around" space and complete privacy. And the only steps you have to climb are the ones you see in the picture - from the sidewalk to the porch. How about it? Can you come up before the weather gets too bad for comfortable travel? We'll meet you at the station of course, no matter what the hour, and you're always welcome.

What happened to Bernice - thought she was coming - maybe she was waiting for us to move. Tell her we're here now.

You know, Dad, Billy Scott used to call me when he

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was stopping. He called the last time just after the election. I didn't approach him on the subject, but I have an idea he wondered why I didn't. There's something funny about his silence. I know he has surely been here since because he told me he was making regular trips. I noticed, incidentally, that Marvinne got a job at Lansing. How did he work that one - I thought ~~he~~ you held office until Sep. 1st. Well, I hope he sleeps well - maybe he'll enjoy his money when he gets to wherever he's going. Mom admonished me to take it easy on him - but I would be compelled to ask him about it now, just to get his reaction. I guess

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I won't take a poke at his nose - but I'd like to.

Ann and her Dad have been watching a movie on television - it's over now and it's time for bed.

Come on up when you can - and stay as long as you like. Maybe the change would do you good. Have you gotten any work done on your teeth?

Hope you're all feeling fine -

Love to all,

Bill