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Friday night:

Jan 21, 1944

Dear Mama:

Just a few lines as I got your letter this week, sorry to learn that Ellis was in bed with the flu, hope he is O.K by now, hope you and Dennard are feeling better. I am about the same as usual. Guess you got my Card, you be sure and write me a Card so I can hear how you all are getting along as I don't guess you will have time to write a letter. Sure wish I could be there as you need me so bad as the weather has been so bad for you and Dennard to have to be out and you all not well either. You all get that man to do the outside work as much as he can, sure glad you all got someone to help do the work. Hope the weather is nice down there by now. Emona

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wrote me that she had the flu, guess she wrote you about it. Say, Dennard how long was you out of school? hope you are back in school by now. It has been pretty nice weather here the past two weeks but it is pretty cold and there are still some ice and snow on the ground.

I was afraid mr molloy would not live very long when I saw him while I was at home, sure sorry to hear about his passing, I know he will be missed so much. Is anyone still runing his store?. Oh yes did that spotted yearling get it? hope he did. How is Dorthey and family? I haven't heard from them in several days. Did you and Ellis pay your poll tax and did you pay the insurance before the 25th? hope you did. Say Dennard how about some parch peanuts, I

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know you all have had time to send them lately as you been sick and the weather been so bad, hope you can send some big one's and little peanuts both in a few days. Mama do you all have plenty of stove-wood and heater wood? hope you do. If you don't have plenty, I hope you can hire some Cut and I will pay for it.

Mama I am sure the war bond sale-mon will ask you all to buy some more bonds, so if they do I will try to send $18.75 as soon as I get paid as I get paid the last day of Jan, and you can get a twenty-five dollar bond, so you will get Credit for it, but it will be mine, however you will have to have it made out too you, but you can Cash it for me in Case I needed it as I could not Cash it myself. You all take Care of Yourselves the best you

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Con And drop me a Card soon as you get this, Ans real soon,

Love, Lenard.