Letter from Fannie Extrom to Bob Extrom

Dated Friday July 20, 1950

Dearest Bob,

Don has written a letter to you to go in the mail today, so I'll start this and finish it tomorrow. It has been nice and cool here the past few days, it is supposed to rain Sunday tho.

Hope the news reports tonight are better and both sides agree.

We heard that yesterday the Chicago Tribune stated that many thousands of Marines and Army men would be home by August; also that the National Guard Units in Japan may be sent to Korea to relieve for rotation.

Edith and Gary were here for lunch. They are going to Betty's with Warren and stay all night, she doesn't like to be alone at night. The Mississippi River is flooding its banks. By Sunday its crest will be reached. The highest for 100 years.

Saturday

It looks like rain. There were tornados in Minneapolis and St. Paul last night. Done a lot of damage. It is windy. Hope we don't get any. Hope we hear from you today. The Truce meeting is postponed until Wednesday.

You know I'll go along with you, Bob, about your car. Don has written you, only will you please don't get careless, like so many do. Try to be careful and serious minded is all I ask. I know I couldn't stand it if you don't. Just think what Dale could have had been different. Now Lillian suffers for it. He doesn't stay out as much as he did but still he is careless.

There are so many wonderful things in the world to see and do. I haven't heard from Mrs. Gasper yet, wonder if Mike is home.

I hope you are well and safe. Time goes by so slow, doesn't it?

I must get this in the mail.

Love from all.

Mom