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The weather here has been ideal. For several days it has been in the low 40's at night and up in the 70's during the day. We have had sufficient rain to make the lawns and pastures as green as they are in May and so far we have had no killing frosts.

I doubt if any of us often speak our inner thoughts in regard to the war. It seems such a terrible thing that a few ambitious and soulless men should so manipulate the affairs of millions that settlement can come only thru the slaughter of many lives. We are fighting a crusade for the continuance of Christianity and civilization. Terrible as the warfare is and will be, it is intolerable to think of living under the domination of the Axis group. Even if the Axis should win, peace would not follow because there would be warfare within its own groups in which millions would again be immersed in blood to decide who was going to be boss. My prayer is that justice and right may prevail, and I believe that the ring-leaders--Himmlers, Hitlers, Goerrings and Mussolinis are going to be held personally responsible--yes, and we should include the leaders of the Japanese. Out of it should come a better world, but it will be a world that has passed thru the fire.

We love you, would like to have you with us, and we feel sure that you will come out of the war with wider vision and with matured judgment.

Your grandma is thinking of going to Minneapolis next week to spend about a week with the McNalleys. She has not visited them for nearly two years. Lack of transportation and the over-burdening of railroad transportation has sort of tied us down.

Write me whenever you have the time and let me share with you any worries or troubles in which I may be able to help.

With lots of love,

Your grandfather