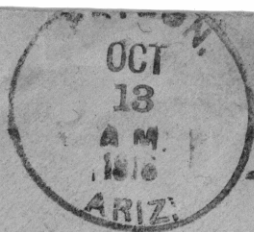


Payson Ariz.

Oct. 11, 1916.

My dearest dear:-

My but I wish you had been here yesterday I had the dandiest horse back ride. Mrs Brayton ~~and I~~ went with me we went way out where you and I went some few years ago. I rode Prince its the first time I have ridden him to speak of coming back we thought we would like a little run well that just suited Prince and when I wanted him to stop he wouldn't stop he just kept going



Mr Bryan Harrison  
Roosevelt  
Arizona

as hard as he could go  
after he had gone a good  
mile he began to slow  
up and I finally got him  
stopped I was beginning  
to think he was going  
to run all the way  
home with me. it sure  
was rough treatment for  
me because I'm not  
used to running that  
distance. but I feel fine  
to day I'm not even  
stiff. Mrs Brayton  
couldn't even keep in  
sight of me she said  
she kept looking on  
both sides of the road  
for me what surprise  
me most of all I wasn't

even scared I stuck to  
the saddle like glue.  
I sure did enjoy the ride.  
Roy got in with the mail  
at half past 12 to-day  
something unusual for  
him.

Frank and I got a letter  
from our sister-in-law  
last mail day and I  
will have to tell you what  
she said, "Well, Josie, you  
surprised me about the  
man. Evidently it runs  
in the family to do  
such things suddenly.  
I hope you will be as  
fortunate as I was in  
your choice."  
I had to laugh because

because Papa just said  
the day before that all  
the Baechs as a rule did  
such things suddenly.  
He sure did laugh when  
I read that to him.

I think I will go down  
after my letter now the  
mail must be distributed  
by this time.

See but I got a long  
letter today but it was  
nice just the same.

I got two other letters  
today, from my cousins.

So the circus is on the  
28<sup>th</sup> well I suppose we  
will come down Fri then  
but it all depend ~~of~~  
on Albert if he comes

down from the mill  
because Papa can't  
take her place unless  
Allie is here I think  
though that he will be  
here I sure hope so.

I'm glad you and Clint  
had such a nice evening  
together. Have you seen  
Grace lately. I ought to  
write to her so I think  
I will do so this after-  
noon.

I think you had better  
send that letter you  
for got to mail any way  
I'm going to look for it.  
Talk about pretty nights  
they sure are glorious  
up here. if it wasn't

quite so cold. That was  
a nice trip we had  
wasn't it I think of  
it often. I think it is  
horrid you have to be  
so far a way dear.

I manage to keep myself  
quite busy so the time  
doesn't go quite so slow  
I mopped up the kitchen  
this morning another  
nice job I like so well  
I just scrubbed it up  
a couple of days ago  
and Papa spilled a  
lot of nice sticky honey  
on it yesterday so I  
had to go over it again  
Oh! well, such is ~~the~~  
life in Payson.

I am getting to be  
quite a letter writer  
don't you think so  
I think I do unusually  
good for me.

Do you know Dr. Brayton  
of Miami? that was his  
wife I was riding with  
yesterday The Dr came  
up last night so she  
went riding with him  
today. She sure is a  
nice woman we all  
like her fine up here

Well dearest I don't  
know of any thing  
else to write so will  
say good by for this time  
Lots & lots of love & kisses  
as ever do.