

Warm Springs Oregon Oct 26 1891

Dear Brother

As this is the 42nd anniversary of our arrival at P.G. from Oregon City, and as it is time that one or the other of us were writing, I will give a few items tonight. I had a letter from L.C. not long ago, and from Mark not long after returning home last Aug. I have not heard a single word from P.G. save what I may have seen in the papers. It is quite amusing to see how the Marsh Sherman faction have come around. "How good and how pleasant" &c. Soon after getting home we all had a turn at bowel complaints. I was the worst off, was in bed 5 or 6 days with dysentery, and it took several weeks to get over it. Glenn was bad off, and lost flesh. Since he recovered has been hearty, and the 23rd inst, his birthday weighed 21 lbs. We are all well and hearty. Have been boarding in "Our Agency mess since Oct 4" It suits us first rate, and don't think it will cost us more than 2⁵⁰ each per week or 7⁵⁰ for the 3. There are 13 in the mess counting children over 2. We pay our Cook (who is also the School Cook) 50¢ each ^{per week} and our food don't -

cost over 200 more. The mess kitchen & dining room is in the
School Building so is handier for us, than for any of the rest
of the mess. I commenced school Sept 1 with 12 scholars by
the 30 had about 30. Now have 50. Don't want more than 10
or 15 more. It's all that can be accommodated with health
and comfort. We have had 72 at one time, but don't want them
again. We expecting Supt Trum up from Chemawa shortly
after children. He will have a difficult task, and I doubt
if he gets any without using coercion. There have now been 23
deaths out of 66 persons sent to F.G. and Chemawa, and the death of
Frank Pat last week who returned some weeks ago and making the
23 intensifies the feeling against sending their children down there,
and I don't blame them. We have not had rain enough this fall to
fairly lay the dust. It acts a good deal like 1884. Keeps warm and pleasant
and if it continues on for some weeks may give us a spell when
A does come. Still, there is no telling. We had a very disagreeable day
Tuesday after leaving F.G. It rained all the forenoon, and made the
roads very slippery, but we reached the Foll Gate. Next day Clear
Creek, next Simerash, and home about noon the 21. I get tired some
times of the way things go here, tired and discouraged, but A seems best
to hold on and do the best we can. 1600 ought to be a pretty
good panacea for the ills we endure, so will try to stick to it
awhile longer. Our Chemawa scheme fell though as Prof Robb did
not resign. Hope to hear favorable news from your household in the
near future. Our love to Lucy & mother, & kiss for baby June. Write
soon. As ever your Brother C. H. Walker.