Lookout vally Tenn March 13th/64

My dear shoda

We have an other bright sunday morning such as would an honner to the month of May to home the peach trees are in bloom and the gras air growing

Well Rhoda this is the third time I have atempted to write today we had enspection 9 oclock then the christian commision started a Sunday School at their chapel tent today 10 oclock General Howard came in an a took the lead as Superentindent there ware about 20 childeren and a few young ladies present the General made 2 classes of firl 1 boys clas and 3 bible classes 2 of soldiers and 1 for yong ladies the children ware very much interested it was somthing new to them the General was speaking about christ dying to save sinners asked then if they were sinners did the ever do anything wrong the said they did not but he said that he don wrong and he thought that did he spoke very kind to them and then asked them to kneel down and pray with him and he made a very plain and ernest prayer I think he is one of the best sunday school teachers I ever heard

Monday 14

Rhoda I wroat last night as long as I could see and said all about the sunday school that I have boom for there was preaching 1 1/2 oclock by the commission and again at 3 oclock by a negro he leaft an apointment in two weeks he said that he leaf Athens last fawl when the Yankies went through there and that he saw a man in Chatanooga who told him that nearly all the negroes had leaf since then but that his family ware still there and he dar not write to hur to come as she would have to get some white folks to read it and they would send her away if they should fine out that he was trying to get hur away but he had a pas from Gen Howard and he was going to get his wife and children this weeak to be continue excuse with pencil my paper os poor Yours

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