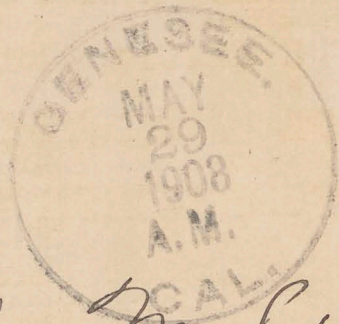
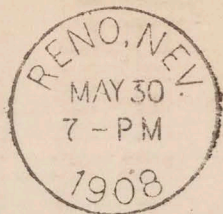


Answered



Charles M. Sparks,  
Reno,  
Nevada.



From Mrs P. R. Evans  
Venice,  
Calif.

My dear Charles,

What can I say to you, dear boy?  
Words are such poor comfort at  
such times. Yet I hope some word  
I might say will cheer you all.

I only heard yesterday of your be-  
reavement and O! it is too sad!!!  
It makes me feel so far away to  
think friends are dead and buried  
ere you know it.

Give my very best love to your  
dear mother and the rest of the  
family. I have prayed God to help  
and strengthen you all in your  
affliction. It is to him alone we can  
look at such times.

I have spent so many happy  
times with you all at the ranch,  
and with dear Bertha too. I just  
heard today of her father too. O that  
I could be with her and you too, if  
I could help some but I know you  
are all blest with many good friends

and I must be content to let them  
do the little I might do.

Expect to come to Reno about the  
fourth, if we had known in time  
would have come before. I hope to  
see you then.

You know you have our heartfelt  
sympathy and much love in  
which Pierce joins

Very sincerely

Your "de. pal"

Edna Johnson Evans.

Genesee, Calif.

May 27, 1908.