

Durham N.C.

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Miss Fay Browning

Dear Fay

I am going to write you a few lines
on business & am also going to write
Fern marry martha, about same
I am up against it on the place.
the Fieldale Land Bank turned down
my loan, and the state has notified
me ~~the~~ the 19th of Aug and gave me
sixty days to pay back payment
and interest or they would cancel
my contract, that means they would
take my place improvement and all
and leave me homeless. all for \$15⁰⁰
that is all I owe them Back Payment
int and all.

it will take \$500⁰⁰ to straighten it
up which would leave nine hundred
Bal or nearly one Thousand my how
not you give ^a thousand which I could
about to 95⁰⁰ a year payment on Bal
and would decrease as the year goes by

would you be interested in ~~an~~
a deal were you four girls put in
one Thousand and Twenty \$125⁰⁰
a p/cd to redeem it

then I would sign Contract over
to you four girls.

and let me live on it and keep up
the payments and Taxes.

of Couse you could give Eamist one 5th
Interest. Take you little it up if you
wanted to. For what interest & how
is it now. Fay the place is worth
at least 30⁰⁰ or Three thousand Dollar
if you are interested let me know
right a way for time is short
we have got to do something quick or
it is lost. there is no Taxes Back on
it I could not pay both so I have kept
up the Taxes. so let me know what
you can do. as soon as you can
my age was against me in getting
a loan

I can not see myself out on
charity for that is what it means
for the my age ~~is~~ for there is no
place a man after 40.

I have no crops at all it is dried up
all the crops I have on the fence would
not bring \$25⁰⁰ if sold
will eat and I am getting along
we have plenty to eat
and keep well
the kids have gone and it is quite
around here now

yours truly your Father
J.R. Chowning