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Dear Dorothea and Family,

It seemed good to hear your voice over the phone and Lance's voice sounded good even if I didn't quite get the words that he was chewing gum. Maybe the gum had something to do with it.

I am trying to be very careful with Gertie and do not want to take any chances in moving her too soon. She has been in perfect health and is physically in mighty good shape. Having the cast on her leg, while cumbersome, it enables her to turn in bed and she will be able to sit up very shortly. Just how long she will be in the hospital, I don't know but I am trying to leave everything in the hands of the doctors.

One of the nurses attending her, also attended her eight years ago when she had her arm shattered by a fall.

Dolph, Marie and I were talking things over this noon and we believe that we shall have to convince her in some way of the necessity of wearing lower and wider heels, even if we had to have them made to order.

I shall keep you informed and you can consider no news as being good news.

We should all like to see your new office because we are sure that it is attractive.

I am sending you herewith a carbon of a long letter I have just written my sisters.

Lots of love to each one of you,