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Miss Etoile B. Simons
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Dear Etoile:

When you dated your letter November 27th, I wonder if you noted that it was your half year birthday.

I was very glad to get your letter which was a good one. I am glad that Julia is able to be at the table at least part of the time and I sincerely hope that she may recover her health for she means a great deal to all of us.

Owen wrote his mama about the invitation from his Aunt Julia, but said that her voice sounded so weak that he did not believe he should accept the invitation although he appreciated it and would very much have enjoyed being with you. I am sorry that he did not let you know that he was not coming, but I am sure that it was an unintentional oversight.

Blanche and Pat left Kansas City last Saturday evening for Washington, D. C. and may visit other eastern places should his business interests necessitate it. I think it was fine that Blanche could make the trip as she has been away from Pat quite a good deal during the last few months.

We shall be very glad to have you, Julia and Charlie visit us as soon as you can and hope that you and Julia will plan for quite a stay. We have plenty of room, the house is comfortable, and I am sure we could make you happy.

I noticed in the paper this morning that the lowest temperature quoted for the midwest was six above at Minneapolis, Minnesota and oddly enough the temperature at Goodland, Kansas was eight degrees warmer than at Oklahoma City.

Gasoline rationing became effective today, and from now on we shall have to practice extreme economy or else have to walk. As it is nearly two and one-half miles from our office to the home,