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We were very happy to have Blanche, Pat, Marilyn and Eileen with us for Thanksgiving. Mary Beth was also here. They came Wednesday evening and did not leave until Sunday.

I am the world's worst about sending flowers and tokens on wedding anniversaries, but Gertie and I did discuss the fact on your wedding anniversary.

Charles Hoinville dropped in on us on the 25th, not long enough to stay for dinner, but because ever since their marriage, the 25th of every month has been an anniversary to them.

Gertie and I are planning to go to Chicago soon as things are now ready. We had planned to leave Wednesday at one o'clock and may yet do so. I developed a little soreness on the left side of my abdomen and did not see a doctor until today. He gave me some medicine, does not think it is serious, and it may be that I will feel safe in leaving Wednesday. I would hate to go away and then have to be looked after.

So the lake is now frozen as of November 21st. Some day, perhaps we shall see it in the fall or winter.

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and I know he would be very happy indeed to hear from you. Letters mean a great deal to the boys in service.

I am glad you have a good housekeeper. About two weeks ago Habel notified Gertie that she was going home, but would stay until after Thanksgiving. I think she leaves tomorrow and we are very sorry to lose her although she is a very peculiar girl, and we know very little more about her now than we did four years ago.

I am always glad to have your loving letters and I can assure you that you are very dear to me.

Lovingly,

Your brother