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Dear Collier <sup>and</sup> Gertrude -

I just received your letter and while reading it the phone rang - It was Art in Cal. Yesterday I received a wire Russell <sup>10 yrs old in Feb.</sup> struck by car while leaving school bus - He died at midnight last night. I couldn't get much out of Art <sup>his father</sup> as he couldn't talk. I just returned from there so