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Chicago March 16th 1947

Dear Brother Collie:

I have yours of the 10th enclosing the note to the Hospital. Thank you for taking care of it for me. Was also glad I handled the other check correctly.

When we heard of Mary Jule going to Mayo's it did not seem right to me that she should go alone and though I knew it was her wish, I told her I would be along. She will phone us Thursday, of her location and we will start Saturday morning early and arrive some time that afternoon, and then drive her back when she is through. That will give us a bit of time at Lawrence, but we are going to Tonawanda New York to visit Mary's sister, leaving here Friday night the 28th to be there ~~Friday~~, Saturday, Sunday and possibly Monday. He is a minister and has two little girls, 6 and 8 and they want to look me over.

I have several things at the Hills in view, that the company will be useful to handle and just picked the name out of the air. Will tell you if anything turns up. The dam is going in; we will have about a mile of water front. A new, wide State highway is going in and I have lots of gravel, and there are one or two very small cement block manufacturers up there that possible could be consolidated. Anything like that could keep me busy, but I have not had much spare time lately. Conditions are a bit bad now, and last year I predicted (Drew Pearson) that the first three quarters of 1947 would be a bit confused and bad, but things would start to level off then and we are in