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Mr. and Mrs. Don A. Freeman
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Dear Grace and Don:

I have just read your letters written Sunday night and Monday morning. If you don't get away anywhere else, why don't you come down and spend a couple of weeks with me. Don especially needs to get away from the severity of Minnesota weather. You could fly down here or fly to Kansas City and we could meet you.

Mrs. Murphy, who has been very efficient, left yesterday afternoon for her home in Caney and does not expect to return to Lawrence unless they could find an apartment--an almost hopeless quest. I now have a young couple, Mr. and Mrs. King. He is a Texan, and she is a Kansas girl born in Goodland, Kansas, and has been a school teacher. I think she was teaching in Texas when she met Mr. King.

They have only been with us a few days and as the Murphys were also there, I could not really know how well they will take over. The young woman is neat and orderly and her husband is kindly and is able to do the little things about the house that I use to do or else called someone else to do it. He is a graduate student. This morning the wife, Margaret, and I ate breakfast together. Her husband having to leave earlier.

Don't worry about Christmas or Christmas presents. I have been fortunate in having Marie to do most of my shopping for me while Mrs. Lydic, one of our accountants and a longtime friend, has also helped with the shopping.

Our weather has been good. Last night there was a real soupy fog in which one could see but a very short way.

I took dinner with Dolph and Marie last night and joined them in seeing a basketball game between Lawrence High and Topeka in which John was high scorer on the home team, but Lawrence lost the game.