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Dear Pat:

Your two letters recently received certainly merit a better reply than I shall probably be able to give. We are expecting members of your family and the McNalleys here for the game. I do not believe the Johnsons will come.

Gertrude's condition does not outwardly show very much change although she has little appetite and some trouble with her stomach and bowels. I find that to keep her comfortable, larger doses of sedative are being used. I had a long talk with Dr. Johnson this morning, and I have not had opportunity since to talk to either Dolph or Janet, who came in last evening and will be here for a few days. My talk with Dr. Johnson was something that I had expected but regretted very much to hear. The recovery that promised so much shortly after her return from Minnesota seems to be past its peak, and it will be best for the members of your family and the McNalleys to drop in to see her not more than one or two at a time, and for rather short stays. We shall continue to give her transfusions as long as they promise to be at all helpful. Dr. Johnson informed me that an examination showed progress in the growth within her body and the prospect is not very good. Apparently she still maintains her expectation of recovery and hopes to be able to go home. It is a mighty tough proposition to face or even to write about.

Your bravery and courage have, undoubtedly, carried you through, and her bravery and courage is in her favor; but disparity of years is against her as compared with you.

The wedding must have been beautiful, and we regretted very much that no data was sent us in the way of clippings from the Tulsa papers that we could use. So we did the best we could with the summary which appeared under Eileen's picture.

Give my love to all the family.

Lovingly, your father