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Del Monte, California

My dear Ralph:

Your good letter of recent date is appreciated. We are always happy over friendships that last through the years. We were always fond of you and your family, and I was very glad to do what little I could to show my respect and regard for your mother and those who survive her. We are always glad to have you come in to see us, either at the office or at our home.

All of the girls were with me over the week-end dividing some personal articles of Gertrude's according to a list she had prepared. It was a sad duty, and yet, one that I was glad to have performed in this manner. We disposed of her jewelry and of her fine linens--something for which there will be no further need in our home.

I am fortunate in having a married couple with me, Mr. and Mrs. Otis King. She was teaching in a college in Denton, Texas, when she met Mr. King and married him. She has a Master's Degree and he is now doing graduate work at the university. They make pleasant companions, and she has looked after the house in a very nice way.

As you may know, Dolph is now making a trip around the world as the only civilian in a group of Navy officers. We do not hear from him often nor at great length, but we expect him home by the last of the month. Mrs. Dolph Simons and Mrs. Art Weaver are taking a little vacation in the Bahamas and in Havana. I think she will be home the last of this week.

Their boys are fine young men, as you probably know. Dolph Jr. made quite a reputation as a punter on the K. U. football team and John was quarter-back on the high school team.