

December 15, 1950

Mrs. Robert Riggs
2110 Elmhurst
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Marilyn:

I have your letter of the 12th and have already ordered the steel to match your carving set. I gave the order to a jeweler and I presume he will be able to get the steel in your pattern. I have already ordered a steel for Marie. I am very fond of Marie and her darling little boy, and I am very glad that you girls are where you can be more or less company for each other.

I thoroughly enjoyed my visit with you. I hope that you have taken the precaution to put the asbestos on the bathroom door. If not you might easily have a flash fire some day that might be quite disastrous.

Give my love to Robert and tell him that I felt very much at home with him, and I hope that you will be able to visit us in Lawrence.

I hope you will have a very happy Christmas.

Lovingly,

WCS:bjh

December 15, 1950

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Olander, Jr.
619 North Batten
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Children:

I am delighted with the picture of Mr. Wayne. It seems to me that it is an unusually fine picture and a mature looking picture for one so young. I figure that he is only a little more than fourteen months old, but he always has seemed to have a well developed mind for one so young. As you can realise, I love him very dearly and wish that I could see him more often.

I sent home a small Christmas tree today, and yesterday I bought a poinsettia so that our young folks, Mr. and Mrs. Parrish, will be able to have a Christmas atmosphere at home. Most of my Christmas presents are in the form of checks.

I plan to spend Christmas with Dorothea, and I think their plan is to spend the day with Mr. Johnson's sister, Mrs. Dibble and family at Bennet. They have a little daughter, now probably fifteen, who adopted me as her grand-dad when she was about seven years old. They have another younger daughter and also a younger son. I had a cordial invitation from the Dibbles to be a member of their Christmas group. Two years ago when I spent Christmas with Dorothea and family they drove up to Bennet for Christmas dinner, and I had a very pleasant time as a member of the party. The Dibbles are also engaged in the lumber business and I think are more or less associated with Harry Johnson.

My last letter from Dorothea says that Lance is playing in the high school band and is also playing basketball. The little fellow, Dolph, is now in school and apparently is doing first rate.

I wish that I could see you and yours more often.

Lovingly,

WCS:bjh

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Tuesday - Nov 14

Dear Dad -

I've been recalling ⁵⁶ 5 years ago today and what a wonderful occasion it was. Aren't you happy that you could have that many wonderful years together? It's a lot more than some of us will have and I'm sure they were full of happiness & fulfillment. I love you loads & always enjoy reminiscing with you. Am looking forward to our Thanksgiving week together.

Thanks again for holding open house for us all. I imagine it will be the last time this year, so many will arrive all at once and our Mrs. Green will be glad of that, altho' she always seems good natured -

I was quite tired yesterday altho' I didn't have a bit of driving to do. Milo drove all the way back & we arrived shortly after 6 P.M. - no of our quicker trips. Mildred insisted we come in there for supper, which we did, but came home at 8 P.M. & to bed -

We picked up 2 turkeys at Mrs. Broers and they look wonderful. Yesterday, I stuffed mine, all ready to bake for Christmas, as I have another one coming from the country here for Thanksgiving. I'm baking the turkey & taking it to Oklahoma City. Mr & Mrs Riggs - Owen & Marie & Dick & Kay Riggs, will all be there for dinner Thanksgiving Day. 11 in all.

It has turned much warmer & looks
like rain here today.

I am going to my Shakespeares club
this afternoon and tomorrow, I'm going to
help collect & mark mummy for the Kaffas.

Thanks again for a pleasant time &
for being such a "swell guy" - We all
thought you looked so well & Mildred mentioned
that, also, how well dressed you were -
liking your grey suit etc -

Must close & dress for my club.

Love you a million.

Devotedly

I love my little pen.

Thanks again so much.

Blanche.

Nov. 11-7

Nov. 11 1950
Wednesday -

Dear Grandad

We certainly loved seeing you & sorry we couldn't have stayed a little longer but looking forward to getting to Lawrence again the next night of the 11th.

~~My mother~~ I spent two days with us & flew home last night. It was wonderful having her here with us.

I liked her & Irene very much & that Irene a very good cook.

We were sorry not to see the Dolph Herman while in town. However, we did see Dolph Jr. Saturday night at the Deal-a-mite. He was with Betty Hollenberry.

Wayne certainly had a good time but a little

tried when we got
home. It's a good little
traveler though, and cer-
tainly no trouble to
take on trips.

Mary Beth & Charlie
have asked us to spend
the night with them in
Kansas City after the
O. U. game which we may
do. Looking forward
to seeing you again soon.

Much love,
Bill

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Nov 11-7

Wednesday

My dearest Dad -

Arrived home last night by air from Wichita. Had two very happy days with Eileen, Carl & Mrs Wayne, but was very warm since I had taken no light weight clothes and the temperature was in the 90° both days.

Eileen had her last wisdom tooth extracted on Tuesday and got along fine. She has just finished a long seige at the dentist. That same day, she had the boys picture taken in his white shirt & shorts & he was so dear - He is an appetimate little man and so good.

I found Pat in good spirit when I got home. His skin condition has not improved as much as I'd like but he is hopeful of a change soon & today he is relaxing in his pyjamas altho' he has been out in the yard giving Gus instructions.

Eileen & Carl plan to be back in Lawrence Nov 11th for the O.U. - K.U. game & will bring the baby. There is talk of their going in to K.C. for Sat. night with May Beth & Charlie, but I don't know their specific plans. Pat & I hope to be there & Janet & Muck - so there might be room for the Olanders if they want to stay.

However, don't count on them unless Eileen writes you to that effect.

We had such a good time with you last week end - You are a dear to make us all feel so welcome and you are lucky that the Parish is so co-operative. We all feel as tho' you really liked to have us there.

Janet & I plan to stay over Sunday & maybe Monday so we can clean out those dishes in the basement and the up stairs storage closet -

Keep well & if you don't like Dr. Johnson, find some other guy whom you do like & get some good advice & take it. So glad you seemed so well -

We are looking forward to your visit with us over Thanksgiving. Will make specific plans when we come up in Nov.

Marilyn & Bob will be here this week end & I'll be so glad to have them.

Thanks again for every thing. My best to Irene & Les -

Much love -

Devotedly
Blanche -

Nov. 2, 1950

Dear Granddad -

Just a note to
thank you for such
a swell while in
Lawrence. I just
love the town and
all the wonderful
people I met while
there.

We didn't get home
until last Sunday
night - it was a
hard trip, but we
are all over it now -
except for colds.

Little Owen seems
to be having the
most time getting

over his.

Thanks again
and am looking
forward to seeing
you here at thanks -
giving -

Sincerely
Marie

Ans. 11-7

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Wayne Maloney, Jr.

Dear Dad - Wednesday

Will be seeing you
Friday night same time.
We are coming a different
way to take some friends
thru Burlington, so will
be later than usual
and will not be there
for dinner.

Love you lots & will
see you Friday into. Let
stay over Sunday &
maybe Monday.

Devotedly

Blaire.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mr W. C. Sermons
Journal - World
Lawrence, Kansas

It was grand seeing you again,
and we're hoping that you will
be with us for Thanksgiving.

I'm looking forward to having
at least part of the large family
with us then.

I decided to stay over in Tulsa
for a few days while Bob is
making some business trips.

Mother is having a tea party for
me this afternoon - so I'll get
to see some of my old friends
again.

We will hope to see you
soon.
Lots of love,
Marilyn

November 8, 1950

Dearest Grandad,

Bob and I enjoyed our
visit in Lawrence so much,
and we want to thank you
for the delicious dinner
Saturday night - and for
letting us have lunch with
you that noon.



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soon for me.
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for for the week. It
I also want to thank
you.
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Dr. Jim Dobbie in

Thursday

Dear Granddad -

I am enclosing a snapshot of your new great grand son, because I know you must be eager to see what he look like. Every one says he look like a month old child. He has grown so much since we have been

home from the hospital. He is a very good baby - only cries when he is hungry. at first we were afraid he wasn't getting enough to eat, but I believe now it was just the change.

I am up and feeling wonderful - enjoying every minute of motherhood.



December 13, 1950

Mrs. O. W. Maloney
2712 East 31st Street
Tulsa 5, Oklahoma

Dear Blanche:

Although I have written you recently I shall write again following the receipt of your good letter written Monday. I received the pretty box from Wolferman's as I told you. I think it would be best to send Christmas gifts to Lawrence rather than to elsewhere, although I had planned to spend Christmas with Dorothea and family, who in turn will again be the guests of the Dibbles, Mrs. Dibble being Harry's only sister. I was there two or three years ago, and had a cordial letter recently from the Dibbles inviting me to come again.

You probably will recall the incident which I shall again relate. Mr. C. W. Johnson, Harry's father, died several years ago, and shortly afterward I happened to be a dinner guest at the Dibble home in Panama. Sitting next to me was their little daughter, probably about seven years old. As usual I made a friend of the little girl and after I left she told her parents that she believed she would have me for her grandfather. I thought it was a very charming thing for a little girl to say after she had lost her own grandfather.

The Johnson boys, I understand, are as vigorous as ever, and Lance is not only playing in the band of the senior high schools but is playing basketball, probably with the junior high.

I want you to give my love to your children and grandchildren for I love them dearly and have missed very much seeing little Wayne, whom I saw last in June. He was always a darling little boy, having a most unusual good disposition.

I am glad that Pat was able to don his evening clothes and go out. I am glad that you are to receive \$500 for your Louella stock. You need not be in a hurry to apply the amount on the recent loan.

Mrs. O. W. Maloney, December 13, 1950

I have had Mrs. Lydic look after a couple of presents for Irene, one for her birthday, which occurred a few days ago, and another for Christmas. I could not ask for anyone to be better in my home than the Parrishes have been and I shall greatly miss them when he has finished his school work. Dolph and Marie, who were in our home recently, expressed the opinion that Irene was keeping the house even better than Margaret King had done and I had always felt that Margaret had looked after things very nicely.

I just received word this morning of the death of Dr. H. A. Mercer of Louisville, Kentucky. A few years ago he was a physician at Sunflower Ordnance Works and Gertrude and I called at their home and invited them to become members of the Baptist church. They accepted the invitation and Dr. Mercer was baptized, and the family, consisting of the wife and little daughter, were popular with our members. When he left here he had taken special work to qualify him as an eye specialist in Louisville. Mrs. Mercer's letter informed me that he had died on October 3 at the wheel of his car of coronary occlusion.

Please give my very best wishes to those of your friends whom I know. I certainly appreciated very greatly Mr. Huling's kindness in showing me through the new bank building and in introducing me to its officials. They are fine folks and have proven themselves capable and loyal friends for you and Pat.

Yesterday I ordered a small Christmas tree and a poinsettia for the home. It is the first time I have had anything of the kind since Gertrude was with me, but I think it only fair to Mr. and Mrs. Parrish.

This is a long letter and I hope it will not tire you.

Lots of love,

WCS:bjh

December 11, 1950

Mrs. O. W. Maloney
2712 East 31st Street
Tulsa 5, Oklahoma

Dear Blanche:

I not only owe you a letter but I owe you thanks for the very attractive box of candy which came some days ago, and believe it or not has not yet been opened.

Christmas used to be a very interesting time at the home because Gertrude made so much of it. There were wreaths on our doors and Christmas decorations within the house. We also always had a Christmas tree even after the children were no longer with us. Now Irene has hung a Christmas wreath over the fire place and one other little decoration in the living room, and I think that will doubtless be about the extent of our Christmas decorations.

I just had a nice letter from Owen. He tells me that Owen, Jr. is pulling himself up and walking around his bed and playpen. He has also recently had protective shots which probably tend to make him less comfortable for the time being.

I ran down to the Wademan filling station at Louisiana and 23rd the other night as I was nearly out of gas, and I find that Franz has leased the station to the Standard Oil. He is always interested in Pat's health, but I have not seen him recently.

I had a letter the other day from Mildred McCurdy who was formerly a member of my Sunday school class. I think you will remember her. I think she was feeling rather lonely at the time she wrote because her son Donald and his wife were to leave today for Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, and her son Dan has a permanent commission in the army. A third son, apparently Oscar, Jr., is in training as a doctor in Hillman Hospital, Birmingham, planning to be an eye specialist. Her mother and father used to be good friends of Gertrude's and mine. As I recall I think that Henry was a boyhood friend.

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of yours. The last I knew of the McCurdy brothers all were gone excepting Lyman, and Lyman was the one who always had poor health but outlived them all.

Thursday of this week will mark the fifty-ninth anniversary of my coming to Lawrence. During that period not only has a lot of water gone over the dam, but a lot of friends have come into my life and have passed on.

I have on my desk a Christmas card from South Haven, Michigan from the woman who used to be Dora Goggins who stayed with you during the time you had diptheria, which, as you may recall, was just prior to the birth of your sister Janet. As diptheria and child birth are mortal enemies your mama and I took a room with Mrs. J. H. Brady on Tennessee Street, and Dora Goggins stayed with you and the nurse at our home. This enabled me to see you through the window each day and also to be with Gertrude. When you were finally released from quarantine and went to Kansas City to be with your grandma, I did something that I had never done before and have not done since. I cleaned house from cellar to garrett in a single day, having seven persons on the job. By having everything cleaned and fumigated in this manner we were able to have your mama back in the home where Janet was born on June 7.

You have always been very dear to me as you well know. I am sorry that so much care has been your part in recent years but I am happy to know that it is being rewarded by the recovery of Pat.

Lots of love to you and the family,

WCS:bjh

December 6, 1950

Mrs. Robert Riggs
2046 Northeast 29th St.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Marilyn:

So far you have neglected sending me the name of your silver pattern so I have been unable to order the steel for your carving set. I find that Marie does not have a carving set so I wish you would call her and get the name of her silver pattern also.

I thoroughly enjoyed my visit in Oklahoma City and hope that all is well with you and yours.

Lovingly,

WCS:bjh

P.S. Christmas card enclosed

December 11, 1950 .

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Riggs
2046 N. E. 29th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Marilyn and Bob:

After telling you that I would get you a steel to match your carving set I happened to mention it to Marie and she said she needed a steel also, so I have today ordered a steel of her pattern for her. I have been awaiting the name of your silver pattern in order to order the steel for you, and I hope that you will not put it off any longer.

I admired the way Bob took hold of carving his first turkey, and I thought he did it very well indeed. A man has to learn some time and the sooner we begin the better. It would have been so easy to have passed that on to me but it was so much better to have Bob do it himself because he will have many occasions in the future to do the carving.

One time at a picture show I saw a demonstration of how to carve a leg of lamb. The first thing was to cut off a small piece at what you might call the elbow and then stand the leg on that and slice straight down, afterwards running a knife lengthwise along the bone to cut the slices loose. If Bob ever has occasion to carve a leg of lamb he can probably profit by the suggestion herein contained.

Marie says that the little boy now climbs to his feet in his pen and walks around it, so he is coming along nicely.

I have always been very proud of you as a granddaughter and I was so happy to be in your home and to know Bob and his fine family better.

Much love to you both,

WCS:bjh

November 27, 1950

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Maloney, Jr.
2005 N. E. 29th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Owen, Marie and Baby:

I enjoyed very much being at your cozy home and having a further opportunity of a visit with Marie and baby. They have found quite a place in my heart. Anyone would have to have a heart of stone not to respond to little Owen, and he is as much like his mother as two peas in a pod. I enjoyed my visit to Tulsa and to Oklahoma City and had a pleasant and uneventful ride home yesterday.

The Parrishes who make their home with me came in later in the afternoon so that they were with me last night. Marie met me in Ottawa and we had dinner at the Oaks, a popular eating place about halfway between Lawrence and Ottawa.

I shall be very happy to have you with me at any time it is convenient for you.

Much love to all,

November 27, 1950

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Maloney
2712 East 31st Street
Tulsa 5, Oklahoma

Dear Blanche and Pat:

I had an uneventful ride home, fortunately having for my seat mate a gentleman from Kansas City of about my age. I was met at Ottawa by Marie and we stopped at the Oaks for dinner. The service was good and the dinner excellent. I think the place is becoming quite popular to the Lawrence people.

I want to thank you for your many kindnesses while I was there and for a very happy visit with you and your interesting family.

Lovingly,

WCS:bjh

November 27, 1950

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Riggs
2046 N. E. 29th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Marilyn and Bob:

I am now home and wish to thank you again for a very pleasant time at your home. I enjoyed not only meeting you again but also meeting Bob's parents and his brother and wife. They seem to be a might nice family and I am sure that you enjoy them.

You made my stay in Oklahoma City very pleasant and you will always be welcome at my home in Lawrence.

Lovingly,

WCS:bjh

Sat. P.M.
9 o'clock.

Dear Dad -

I've thought of you many times this week and must apologise for not writing earlier. My painter and paper hanger has been here and were really busy getting things done. He still has a room & paper and another cost of paint & put on the hall - these will be nearly finished. I'm so glad & have things all fixed up again.

We read about your gifts & the business and think it is very fine. Do hope they will get to work at once and get the thing made - How did your Laffer & decide on that particular use & be a perfect choice!

He saw the K.A. - K. Stele from this afternoon - started out & be a good gone but was pretty well sided. He saw Dolph Mair and John several rows behind us but did not have an opportunity to visit with them. He did set with Phil and had a little visit with him -

Suppose you will be going Tuesday - and know you'll have a good time with all the Maloney tribe - he are

planning to go to Columbia to see A.A.
and M.H.

Idea and Ted Santorum of Belleville
are to be our guests for supper
right. Mac will go to Mrs. Deschner's
mother's funeral in Beloit tomorrow after-
noon. Mrs. D. is his secretary and her
mother had been bedfast for almost a year.

As usual he enjoyed our week end
with you so very much. Mike & Hubert
sent Mac some of the First Nat'l Bank
glasses - guess they are a birthday
present. Don't know if Mac thanked
you for his check - but he will make
good use of it I'm sure.

We are invited to a party and Mac
is just so ready so I'll close for
now.

Much love -

Janet

November 20, 1950

Mrs. L. A. McNalley
Minneapolis, Kansas

Dear Janet:

I am leaving this afternoon for Tulsa to spend Thanksgiving with Blanche and family. I do not know just when I shall return but my stay will not be long. I appreciate the many nice letters that I receive from you. All three of the girls have been very good in keeping in touch with me.

I think Dolph is out stretching his legs a bit this afternoon hunting, and I am very glad that he is because I think he gets more relaxation while hunting than doing anything else and he is a very busy man. There was a nice article about Dolph, Jr. in the Kansan for the 20th. I hope that Leslie can find a few extra copies for me.

There is nothing specially new here at the office or at home. We have finally got started on my genealogy and I have read proof on perhaps three or four gallsies. That's not much of a start but it is something. Now that the football season is over I fear that I will not see as much of my daughters and their families as I have the last few months, but I am always glad to have them with me.

Dolph has a birthday on Friday. That is as early as Thanksgiving ever comes when it follows the traditional rule of being the last Thursday in the month. Truman probably exercised the liberty taken by Roosevelt in setting the 23rd as Thanksgiving and I presume that the football addicts are glad to have it earlier that they may escape possible bad weather.

Leslie and Irene are still very nice in looking after the home and looking after me. He does so many little things that are rather unexpected. For instance, before he leaves in the morning for school he opens the door to the garage for me. I have always been accustomed to doing things for others rather than having others do things for me, but I appreciate his kind intentions. He has gotten a job on the hill as an assistant librarian for which he gets \$45.00 a month. That together with his income as a former

Mrs. L. A. McNalley, November 20, 1950

soldier and the payments I make to Irene makes them a pretty satisfactory income, and I am quite sure that most of it is being saved.

I shall be glad to see my great-grandsons in Tulsa. Eilene's little boy, although only 13½ months old walks around as importantly as many children much older. Little Owen of course is too young to assume any particular traits so far excepting that of being a lovable little chap. They will all be in Tulsa while I am there.

I have today signed notices to the insurance companies to transfer the insurance to you and Mac. You have been very good in writing me and I hope you will come and see me as often as you can.

Lots of love,

WCS:bjh

November 15, 1950

Mrs. O. W. Maloney
2712 East 31st St.
Tulsa 5, Oklahoma

Dear Blanche:

Perhaps you considered my recent check for \$6,600 as a gift. It was not so intended, for to make it a gift would make me revise my Will, which is a nuisance. I meant it as a short time loan to enable Pat to buy the Hifill stock, but so far he has not even mentioned having received the check. Please let me have some acknowledgement for my records.

While I did not disturb the World account, I left mighty little balance in my private account, but that does not matter. When convenient I shall be glad to have you return this loan, or if that is impractical, let me know so I can care for it in another manner.

Yesterday, the 14th, was the 56th anniversary of my wedding. The tail end of one's life is not too happy, for the new little loved ones cannot entirely remove the sorrow for the loss of others. Gertrude was the last of the five Reineke children, and we two, Grayce and I, are the last of our five. I hope that you are well and happy, and presume that you are.

We were happy to have Dolph and Marie for dinner last night. Dolph Jr. could not come because some kind of a "bug" or germ, has been bothering him for several days and he is home in bed.

Tell Pat that two quail were in the little square at our back porch, when I left the house this morning, and they stayed where they were until later. I like to have the wild life feel safe at the Cedars.

Lots of love,

WCS:bjh

November 14, 1950

Mr. O. W. Maloney, Jr.
2005 Northeast 29th St.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Pat:

You will have a birthday on the
16th and I send you herewith a small
check with which you can probably buy a
shirt or a tie.

Lovingly,

WCS:bjh

November 14, 1950

Mr. O. W. Maloney, Sr.
2712 East 31st Street
Tulsa 5, Oklahoma

Dear Pat:

You had a birthday the 22nd of last month, and I herewith send you a small check with which you can probably buy a shirt.

I am always glad to see you and to have you with us.

Lovingly,

WCS:bjh
Encl.

November 7, 1950

Mrs. O. W. Maloney, Jr.
2005 Northeast 29th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Marie:

I was glad to receive your note of November 2. I have described you many times to others as a very lovable girl, and you certainly have a very lovable baby. He is a darling from every standpoint.

We are very happy to have you with us at any time you can come. Give my love to Owen.

Lovingly,

WCS:bjh

Mrs. Carl Olander
619 No. Batten
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Eileen:

I was glad to receive your letter of November 1. It is always a pleasure to me to have you with me. You have been very dear to me ever since you were a small child, and I am exceedingly fond of that manly son, Mr. Wayne.

Your mama spoke of your being here for the 11th, and that perhaps you would spend the night with Mary Beth in Kansas City. That is all right if you wish to do so, but we shall be happy to have you at home.

Give my best regards to Carl.

Lovingly

WCS:bjh

November 6, 1950

Mrs. O. W. Maloney
2712 East 31st Street
Tulsa 5, Oklahoma

Dear Blanche:

I was very glad to receive your recent letter. I also had a letter recently from Eileen. As a matter of fact, it was mailed on November 2, the same date you mailed your letter. She is a darling girl, and I have always been very fond of her and also love very dearly her manly little son, Mr. Wayne. Eileen has beaten me in cutting her last wisdom tooth, for I still have one. It lies lengthwise entirely beneath the gum and I only know it is there through x-rays.

I am glad that Pat is feeling well, and sincerely hope that his marked recovery will soon result in a total disappearance of his trouble.

Dolph and Marie returned from Salt Lake where they witnessed the game, and where Dolph met with other alumni of the University. He said that Dolph, Jr. played a good game. In the recent game at Haskell between K.U. and M.U. freshmen John played a whale of a game as a safety man and stopped several runs which otherwise would have been touchdowns.

I am glad if I make you feel welcome because you certainly are welcome, and I am happy to have you with me at any time you can come. The idea that you have of going over some of the things at home pleases me. The storage closet certainly should be cleaned. There are a lot of empty boxes which are of no value and which are somewhat of a fire hazard.

I know that you had a good time with Bob and Marilyn. Irene and Les are still giving me first class attention.

You have, and always have had, my love, and please extend it also to Pat who is a darn good boy.

With love,

WCS:bjh

October 23, 1950

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Maloney, Jr.
2005 N.E. 29th St.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Pat, Marie and Owen:

We are looking forward with pleasant anticipation to the coming of your family for the weekend. I think that Blanche has tried to look around a bit so that we shall have plenty of room for all who come. I am very fond of all three of you. I think Marie is a darling and the baby is just as precious as he can be.

We shall be looking for you this weekend.

Lovingly,

WCS:bjh

October 23, 1950

Mrs. Carl Olander
619 No. Batten
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Eileen, Carl and Wayne:

We had a very enjoyable visit with Blanche and also with Pat and we are looking forward with pleasure to the homecoming at the end of this week. I hear nothing but complimentary remarks in regard to Wayne, so I know that he is the same fine little chap now that he was when you were in Lawrence.

You will all be welcome at the old home place.

Lovingly,

WCS:bjh

October 23, 1950

Mrs. Robert Riggs
2046 N.E. 29th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Marilyn and Robert:

Blanche and Pat left yesterday after a short visit with us and we enjoyed having them very much. I am delighted to know that you are expecting to be here this weekend. I think we can take care of a lot of folks right at home, but if we need any outside arrangements we shall try to make them.

I shall be very glad indeed to see you both.

Lovingly,

WCS:bjh

October 19, 1950

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Maloney
2005 Northeast 29th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Pat, Marie and Odie:

I appreciate the letters I received from Marie and I am glad that everything is moving along nicely with you, but I am sorry that I do not get to see you more often. Little Odie is one of the finest and happiest babies that I know. He is loveable in every way.

I spent a pleasant evening last night as a dinner guest of Mrs. Wilder, a teacher at Haskell. Mrs. Wilder was entertaining for Miss Mary Haskell, a sister of Henry J. Haskell editor of the Kansas City Star, and a lifetime missionary in Bulgaria. Although about eighty-five years old she still has a lot of energy, and stood at the pulpit at the Baptist Church last night and talked for at least an hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Parrish are taking good care of me, and I think I am very fortunate to have them with me.

With love to all three of you, I remain

Lovingly yours,

WCS:bjh

October 10, 1950
Tuesday

EMM

Dear Granddad
Wayne certainly
appreciated his birth
day week. Leave it up
to you to never forget
an important occasion.
I'm having a birthday
party for Tom Sunday
and about 10 children
& their mothers are
coming for ice cream &
cake.

I imagine Dad
is there - the reason
I haven't written
her lately is that
I was afraid that
when I got a letter
off to her in Lawrence
she would have gone
home.

We really have
missed the good
football games. K. U.
is really giving great
games. We're looking forward
to being there for home -

coming and seeing
lunch again. We
will only be there
for 9 hrs. but will
make the most of those
two days.

Wayne is coming
with me - you won't
know him! I'm ex-
claiming a picture - not
as recent as I wish
it were but a pretty
good one. He walks
all over the place &
is learning to "eye-eye"
and also somersault.
He weighs 20 pounds
now - his feet a nice
size.

Will make this a
charming scene will
all be seeing you
very soon. Looking
forward to it very
much. Hope you're
feeling top top now.

Must love,
Bill

October 16, 1950

Mrs. Carl Olander
619 No. Batten
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Eileen:

I was very glad to receive your letter of October 10 and to see how large and aggressive Wayne has become. He has always been a dandy boy and I miss seeing him a great deal.

We had a pleasant visit last week with your mama and took her to Ottawa to take the train home. Irene accompanied me, and we took a very poor dinner at the big hotel in Ottawa. I think that any restaurant in Lawrence would have given us a better dinner.

They certainly would have enjoyed our recent football games, and the football season will soon be over. I hope everything is moving along nicely with you and Carl. Dolph and Marie returned yesterday from New York City where they have been attending a meeting of the Associated Press, of which Dolph is now first vice president. They stopped in Ames to see the football game there, and John drove up accompanied by Miss Hollingberry and brought his parents back yesterday.

There is nothing especially new at home. Irene and Leslie are taking good care of me. As you know I have always been very fond of you and I am happy to hear from you.

Lots of love,

WCS:bjh

October 5, 1950

Mrs. Carl Olander
619 North Batten
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Eileen and Family:

In looking at the calendar I find October 12 in light-faced figures, and I presume that is because of the holliday, Columbus Day. Your little man will have his first birthday on that day. He is a darling boy and I miss him.

Find enclosed a check for \$5.00 as a birthday gift. You may use it as you please to buy something for him, or deposit it to his credit. A man a year old really should start saving his money.

My love to you and the family,

Lovingly,

WCS:bjh

Friday

Dearest Dad -

I have been thinking of you all week & re-enjoying our lovely week end in Lawrence. When Doefli's letter came this morning, telling of your illness I was so shocked & felt sad because I hadn't written. However, Doefli tells me you "snapped out of it" & always & as feeling fine again. Please do be careful & take your medicine & don't overdo. I'm hoping you are seriously considering moving into the down stairs suite as we talked of before.

As you know, Janet & I talked of meeting in Lawrence either before or after the Colo. game, & I plan to come up the middle of the week & Pat can join me later on for the game. I'd phone as to when I'd be there & talk to Doefli.

The girls have been here all week
and are enjoying their visit together
and so am I altho we are having
some painting and staining of the roof
done outside, which is bothersome. It
just had to be done tho.

Marilyn is doing so well & is
such a marvelous person. She can meet
everything the right way.

We'll be seeing you soon. Thank
you so much for your hospitality, generosity
& everything. - Please remember me
to the Parrishes -

Love you lots & see you soon. Be
good & take care of yourself.

Devotedly & with all my love

Blanche.

Sept. 26, 1950

Dear Granddad.

we had this picture taken of Little Owen when he was three months and knew you would like to have a good picture of your great-grandson. He is some guy - now weights 16 lbs 8 oz - and is 26 inches long. I took him to the Doctor last week and he said I couldn't

same. I am awfully
sorry I have been so
long in writing to you
but its not because
we don't love you.

Take good care
of yourself and we
shall see you next
month -

Love from the three of us.
Marie

Have a finer boy.

I don't know if Blanche
told you or not but we
are comming to Lawrence
for homecoming - which
will be the last week
end of our vacation. Plan
to get in there some time
the middle of the week.

I am really looking
forward to my first
visit to Kansas.

We are all well
and hope you are the

October 4, 1950

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Maloney, II
2004 Northeast 29th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Marie and Owen:

I don't know that I have ever seen a more charming picture of a baby than that of your dear little son and my great-grandson. He is just as sweet as he can be, and looks as if he enjoyed life, as I am sure he does. I have placed the picture in my pocket where I can always have it with me. I hope that you are all well and happy.

I shall be very happy to have you come to our home for the homecoming. We have lots of room and will be happy to have you with us. I shall be glad to have you write me frequently.

Lots of love to all three of you,

Lovingly,

WCS:bjh

October 4, 1950

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Maloney
2712 East 31st Street
Tulsa 5, Oklahoma

Dear Blanche and Pat:

Fortunately my sick spell was soon over. I don't know that it was even necessary for me to have gone to the hospital, but I think that it is well to be careful. I was down to the office yesterday and again today, but am not taking things too seriously.

I have lately received a nice letter from Marie containing a picture of my darling great-grandson which I shall carry in my pocket. I don't believe that he and Wayne will find it difficult to get along together in the same envelope.

My illness is of such a peculiar kind and of short duration. One hardly knows whether it is essential to go to the hospital for a day or two, but probably it is wise to give serious attention to anything which seemingly affects the heart.

I love you very much, think you have two splendid grandsons, and am so happy that Pat is coming along well. I am taking it for granted that he has had no relapses.

The Parrishes are being very kind and thoughtful of me and I appreciate it very much. We shall be glad to see you again at the game. Incidentally, in going through the secretary in the apartment some days ago I ran across a snapshot of Kate Matthews of Pewee Valley, Kentucky, and it called her to my mind so well that I wrote her a letter. A reply came rather quickly stating that Jessie, whose picture I painted in colors when you were a baby, had just passed away. As I recall there were three sisters, and I met them all but Jessie.

Lots of love to all of you.

Lovingly,

October 3, 1950

Mrs. O. W. Maloney
2712 East 31st Street
Tulsa 5, Oklahoma

Dear Blanche:

I thought you would be interested in knowing that I came down to the office this morning for the first time in several days. I am feeling first rate and intend to take care of myself as best I can.

I shall be glad to see you when you come up Friday. Give my love to Pat and to any of the children you see.

Lovingly,

WCS:bjh

September 12, 1950

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Riggs
2046 Northeast 29th St.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Marilyn and Robert:

I was very sorry indeed to hear of the loss of the little one. I know how happy Gertrude would have been to have had a granddaughter, and the same is true for me.

I have wondered a bit if the same doctor attended Marilyn who attended Marie. Since knowing of the breaking of little Owen's collar bones in bringing him into this world and that apparent lack of attention given by the attending physician, I have wondered if it was the same doctor who attended you both. If so, I hope you will never call upon him again at such a time, for I can not have full confidence in his ability. Remember that character is what you are and that reputation is what other people think you are. This chap's reputation may be high, but whether it is justified or not seems to be questionable.

I hope that you are regaining health and strength and renewed confidence in yourself. With love to you both,

Lovingly,

WCS:bjh

September 12, 1950

Mrs. O. W. Maloney
2712 East 31st Street
Tulsa 5, Oklahoma

Dear Blanche:

It is mighty fine of you, as busy as you are, to keep me informed how everything is moving along. As you know, I am delighted to know about Pat's wonderful recovery, which I believe is due as much to his indomitable will to recover as to medication.

My new couple are working out very nicely at home, and I think I shall enjoy having them with me. We look forward to your being here on the 23rd, which is now not too far away.

My health is good, and the young folks are looking after me very nicely. I enjoyed a nice dinner with Dolph and Marie last night in which they served doves. While the breast of a dove is not large, I found that two of them was an abundance.

The boys are both getting along well in school, and so far Dolph, Jr. has come through football practice without severe injury. I am glad to know that Marilyn is getting along all right and I want you to give her my love.

With love,

WCS:bjh
Encl.

~~File~~ ~~Stanhope Maloney~~

Monday.

Dearest Janet & Dad —

Well, things are still pretty busy here this week, but Owen came & took Mairi & little Odie home and we started painting today. The kitchen! What a mess. But it is going to be very pretty. Green walls, wavy wood work & yellow linoleum. Also carving the shelf re-finished — (board along south wall)

Next will be the 2 bath rooms, & outside screens & window sills & fire place & mantels & bed room floor — (when Pat was ill) & medicine etc. — was spilled. The weather has turned warm — in fact it is hot, so the paint should dry rapidly.

Mairi did some shopping, while her & we had dinner at the club one night. Pat's first appearance out — and C. & M. enjoyed it. I read a few girls for lunch for Mairi one day & that's all we did — except enjoy the baby. He's so cute & fat &

good - but spoiled. Over Play with him every waking moment he can & he responds now with coos, & smiles. He weighs about $14\frac{1}{2}$ pounds - Fat & muscled & bushy.

Pat & I expect (I hope) to fly to Denver next Wednesday to attend Dorothy Ann Slazie's wedding. We will stay at a hotel and be there a few days & stop at Winita for a few hours upon our return to pick up Alice & Mrs. Wayne & bring them home for a weeks visit. Carl will come down the following week and they'll go to Ocala City to see the kids over Labor Day. They are hoping Marilyn will produce by then. Her date says Sept 2nd, altho her date was August 26th -

Dell & Art called this A. M. & Carl was just leaving for Lake City with Benny Casman & Ernie Pontius. I think Pat has definitely given up going there. It is just too much of a trip - any way you make it. I run Gunman. It has to be by car - & that's 110 miles, mountain

driving
Miles & Mildred write they are enjoy-
ing a leisurely trip thru the East. Nancy
sailed Aug 2nd for 4 months in the continent.
They should be stopping in in Brainerd
to see you pretty soon.

Give all the Doegs Simms an
love & keep us informed in regard to
the boys military status. Owen & Bob
are both in the Reserves & Carl is trying
to line up a commission so that he
won't be subject to the Draft. The
whole situation is maddening.

Pat continues to improve. His
edema showed up again so down
went the A.C.D.H. dosage, but it
seems to be working. They seem to
feel assured now that the proper dosage
will be between 20 & 25 mgs - a day.

Must close & write to my daughters
I've been neglecting them too -