

April 20, 1950

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

Dear Blanche:

I was glad to get your letter of Monday, and glad to know that there was some improvement in Pat's condition. I certainly want that boy to snap out of it. He has certainly made a wonderful fight, and I believe with him that science will find a cure for his trouble, and that he will be one of the first to recover.

I shall be very happy indeed to have you come up for as long a time as you can be away. It will do you good and it will do me good, and if Pat has competent care he probably will be glad to have you get away for a few days.

Within the last day or two I have noticed a story of a new drug that is reported to be even more successful in some cases than penicillium.

Last night I took Margaret and Otis to dinner, and afterwards to the Jayhawker to see Perfect Strangers, a play featuring Ginger Rogers, and strange as it may seem she did no dancing. I have gone to very few shows in the past few years.

Dolph and Marie are in the East and will be gone until the 29th. It is quite warm today. Nothing especially new at the office. Give Pat my love.

Lovingly,

Ans 4/20/50 Monday - April 17<sup>th</sup>

Dearest Dad -

It has been so long since I've written  
or I really miss doing it. I was so happy to receive  
my nice Easter check & haven't spent it yet, but  
intend to spend it on some thing frivolous for myself.

Pat has been showing a little  
improvement lately and I continue to do so I  
am going to make some arrangements to come  
to Lawrence in about a week or 10 days. I  
need a rest very badly & I want to see you so  
when our regular nurse returns from a week's  
rest, I hope to get someone to stay evenings  
& get the dinner & all night, & I'll get  
away for a little rest. I am O.K. but so  
physically & mentally weary that I know  
I must have a change. 6 solid months of  
unrest duty & concern. So I'll let you know  
later whether I can make it or not.

Margaret King's sister called this afternoon &  
we had a little chat. She told me Ellen had arrived  
all right & that you were visiting with her yesterday.  
We certainly enjoyed our little gravel run. It is so  
good, cute & friendly. We just loved showing him D.D.

all the children seemed to have a wonderful time. Marie stayed over 4 days & she & the girls had a grand time together. She is very large and is pretty tired and I doubt if she will go until May 12th which is her date - She will be up again until after the baby comes. I hope to get to go down for a day to see the new one when it arrives. Of course they want a boy altho will not be disappointed whatever the sex. All our in-laws are so ungenial & we love Carl, Bob & Marie more each time we see them.

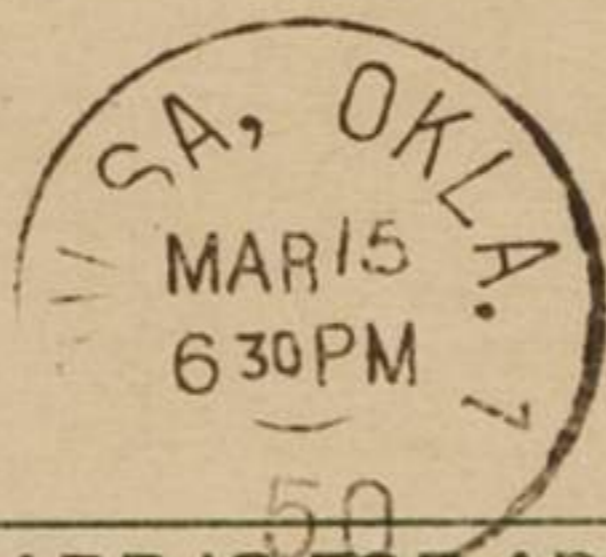
Maureen is getting large too. She's now  $4\frac{1}{2}$  months.

I hope & plan to go to Mary Belle's wedding & will fly to Wichita & drive from there into Aileen & Carl. When they will drive me home Sunday & collect the rest of their things left here.

I hope I can join you in Minnesota this summer. Pat wants me to go & suggested we both fly up for a while, but of course it seems now as tho getting away for him is far-far distant.

We tried to call you all day Easter & finally at night Aileen remembered you were in Nebraska. I just cancelled the call there because I didn't know when you'd be getting back.

Love you so much & expect to see you soon  
Devotedly, Blanche.



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BUY U.S. BONDS  
ON PAYROLL



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

W.C. Simons  
Journal - World  
Lawrence, Kansas

Wednesday

Dearest Dad -

We are still just plugging along - good or bad. I have been very busy & haven't written any one. Helen called me last night so check with her altho there is no news.

Owen & Marie are O.K.

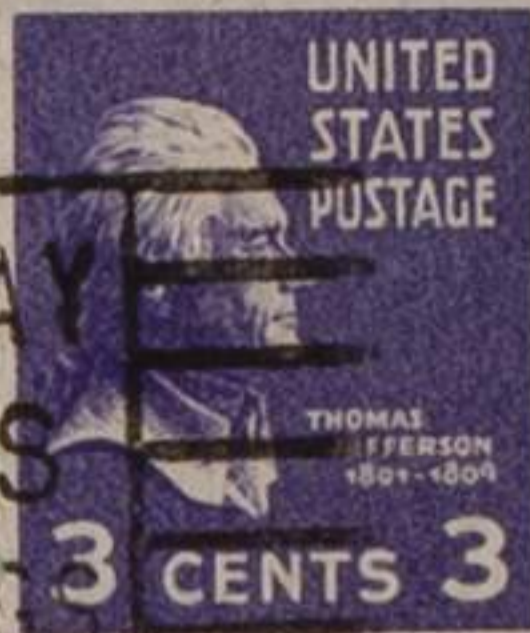
altho my only information is via Marilyn. They have no plane as yet but their furniture arrived Saturday & Owen got things in order Sat & Sunday. Marie is fine. They all expect to come home Easter.

Love you loads & do miss seeing you. I am fine but have a heavy heart. Went to the Philharmonie concert last night & am going to a Catholic Ladies Style show with Leonore Latell on Friday. Will write a letter soon. All my love. Blanche.

I wrote her  
today - March 28.  
the day this was received



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W. C. Summons  
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Monday -

Dearest Dad -

I have missed you so much - Do wish you'd  
drop in a train & come see us. You just ignore my suggestions  
as to this trip, so answer me. I think perhaps this week end, or  
some week end soon after Easter. The children will all be here  
& Easter week end, so will be full up & besides I'd like to spend my  
pleasures around - To do come when ever it convenient.

Pat has been having a bad time of it lately. Over  
the phone his voice sounds strong & to hear him talk you'd  
think he was his own well self. But he's far from that. He  
thinks he is showing some improvement, but when the mucous  
membranes are involved, you know what that means. His  
mouth is too sore to enjoy eating & his eyes are too irritated  
to see well. He's still optimistic & I try to back him up.

I only tell you these things so you'll know what the  
situation is & why I can't leave. If I could get some  
practical nurse who had kids, I'd engage her so I could get  
away, but he's used to me and dreads strange hands because  
we have to do such personal things for him & he doesn't  
want some old lady a "fuddy duddy" - So I'm just waiting,  
hoping he'll get better so I can leave him.

We have had 2 days of bad dust & wind & today  
I'm waterbury trying to keep some bulbs alive. We need  
rain so very badly.



Eileen wrote she was expecting you for dinner yesterday. I'm glad you enjoy them because they are certainly Eazy about you, you know how anxious I am to see them all especially Wayne.

Owen & Marie seem to like O.C. very much & Owen has been very busy. Marie is going to Marilyn's doctor and likes him. He did a very nice thing & that, wrote to Marilyn to thank her for sending Marie to <sup>live</sup> ~~live~~ <sup>Mar 26<sup>th</sup></sup>. Both girls are well & fine. Yesterday was M & Bob's 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary & Owen & Marie had them for dinner.

I am expecting to get away for Mary Beth's wedding if I don't get there before that. So I'll probably come to Raven & go with you -

I saw Wallace & the fellows from ~~the~~ Parkersburg Wash D.C. are coming out today & tomorrow to see Pat. It's the yearly meeting. Fortunately, business is keeping up well.

Mother M. remains fine. I had her out to dinner & afternoon yesterday.

Sorry Mr Weaver is so bad. Pat talked to Carl recently about him.

We are looking forward to having Doepf & Marie with us some time soon. Doepf says he has a speaking engagement in Independence & they will drive on down. I do so miss seeing my family.

Love you very, very much & hope you'll feel like coming down to see us this week end if possible, or any other time of course. It doesn't have to be a week end, but you said once maybe Margaret. This could bring you. More love for now - Devotedly, Blanche -

Sunday

Dearest Dad —

Always am so happy to  
hear from you & am sorry I've been a little  
slow about writing lately. I have quite a  
lot of errands to run, since I am the only  
one on duty here now & I also have been  
finishing a knit dress that I started  
last fall. It is all done now but sewing  
the skirt & blouse together ~~and~~ feel quite  
satisfied with the fit & look of it. I under-  
stand hand knit dresses of this type  
cost \$250.00 - & am not surprised  
because they do require a lot of time.

You still are ignoring my invitation  
to come see us & right now, to just  
a well, because Pat looks pretty bad.  
I think he's been improving the last few  
days however. He had both a transfusion  
of pure blood & one of plasma this past week  
but when his face, eyes, mouth & neck are  
affected, it makes him look so bad.

We have a marvelous nurse who  
takes excellent care of him & while  
she is here in the morning & up until  
4.30 P.M., I am free to go & work  
So I am trying to get out a little  
more. I take Gaudin's M. Marketing  
& shopping & get the nurses at the hospital  
& do those chores which aren't very  
glamorous & once in a while go to see  
all our friends.

We are looking forward to seeing  
our fine family over Easter - The Blaudes  
will be here 10 days - Marilyn a week &  
Owen & Marie just Sat & Sunday. But  
they always give us a boost & joy  
we are so eager to see Wayne. He must  
have changed a lot since Christmas. I am  
so glad you have had the opportunity of seeing  
him often during this 1st year & now  
you'll be making trips to Wabeta & Okla. City  
to see the 3 grand babies.

Do wish I could see you more often since  
Thanksgiving is too long a time.  
Love you very much -  
Devotedly, Blaudes

April 13, 1950

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

Dear Blanche:

I have your letter written last Sunday. I know you must be busy because you have your home to look after, and you want to do, and do do everything possible for Pat's comfort.

I should very much enjoy coming to see you, but hesitate to do so while Pat is not feeling so well. I don't think that Mr. Job of Holy Writ had anything on Pat when it comes to patience and co-operation, and as the final end of the biblical character was happiness and comfort and restoration, we would like mighty well to have a similar wind-up with Pat.

I had a letter today from Eilene mailed at Tulsa yesterday. Yesterday, by the way, was the birthday of your Grandma Simons. She would have been 114 years old.

Last night the temperature on our front porch reached 24 above, which was so cold that I am afraid it put the finishing touches on blooming plants.

Dorothea sent a box of red tulips for the graves for Easter, and I bought several more boxes and pots of red tulips, placing one on each side of the granite stone where Papa and Mama are buried, and one each at the stone of my grandparents, Gertrude and Great Grandfather.

I have not been down to Shawnee yet, but I am planning to wait until I can plant some geraniums without fear of their being killed by frost.

Pat and Otis will doubtless be leaving me by June, and I shall be sorry to have them go, although I sincerely hope that he will find a good teaching position that will enable him to live comfortably without Margaret having to work so hard. She has certainly been a faithful wife.

Last night Otis and Dr. Baker went down toward Garnett with sleeping bags and were presumed to have slept outside all

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night in order to watch the activities of birds and beasts. It must have been very cold, but I hope they did not suffer too much.

I think that this summer I should like very much to have one of my daughters with me all of the time at the lake. As Mary Beth's wedding comes on June 17th, I shall not get away until very shortly after that date. I wish that you, Janet, and Dorothea would plan the time as well as you can for the summer.

I want this to be at your convenience, and so you will have something of a rest and outing. Of course, whether you can come or not will depend upon Pat's condition, and if he is able to travel we shall be very happy to have him with us.

You are very dear to me.

Lovingly,



W. C. Simons  
Journal - World  
Lawrence, Kansas.

Maloney  
2712 E 31<sup>st</sup>  
Julesburg, Colo





*Easter Greetings*  
ESPECIALLY  
FOR YOU





May Easter bring its deepest joys

Especially for you,

And may the year that lies ahead

Hold lots of sunshine, too!

To my dear father, whom I love  
very deeply - admire greatly &  
miss being with a lot -

I hope the Easter Bunny brings  
you all your material wishes -  
all my love - Blanche.

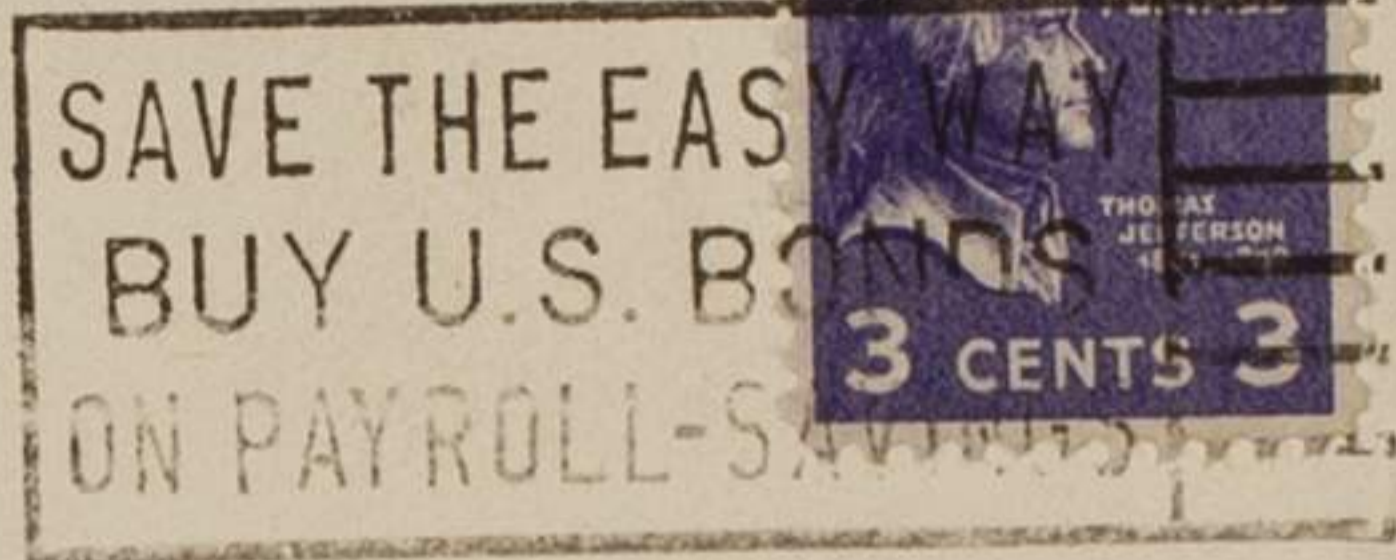


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Journal - World  
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Thursday -

Dearest Dad -

I have been thinking of you so much lately & don't hear from you or about you nearly often enough. Things are about the same here. I see no real improvement in Pat's condition & he is gradually getting depressed about his condition, altho he is much more brave than I would ever be. We are both looking forward to having our children here for the week end. They are all coming in Friday night & Marilyn will stay next week with Helen & Carl. Not having seen Wayne since Christmas makes us doubly eager to have them and when we can watch him & his antics.

While the girls are here I hope to get out a little more. I am really fine physically, but you know how hard it is to keep your spirits up after such a long illness. I try not to ever let my mind think too much a dream over the possible future. It is wonderful to have such a fine family behind me to encourage me & let me know I can depend on them.

The girls (Mavis & Marilyn) write that

they are both well and feeling fine.

Today, I am forced to have new linoleum put down in the kitchen & pantry. The old was cracking & tripping us & rather than patch - I have it to do over again, this having it all done over. (the floor) Consequently, there will be no cooking today - I'm getting hamburgers this noon -

We still have our good nurse but I am letting her go for 3 days next week. She hasn't had any time off since she came on 3 months ago - but fortunately Virginia Ward - the nurse we had before who was excellent, will come on to relieve Mrs Davis. I want them to be satisfied w- they'll see us through this.

There is no news here. I'm still hoping I can come to Lawrence, but until Pat shows gradual <sup>steady</sup> improvement, I'll not leave him.

I do hope your Easter Day will be a happy one. Wish I could be with you to talk flowers and just be out.

Love you so much -

Devotedly - Blanche.

April 7, 1950

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

Dear Blanche:

I am sorry if I have gotten behind with my writing. I think of you so often and wish we could be together more.

After having taken the punishment that he has, you can't help believing that Pat is going to get well. I don't know that any of the rest of us would have the stamina and the courage to master it, but no one could have been more courageous and and sensible in caring for himself than Pat.

The children and grandchildren have all been very nice about writing me. I have cards on my desk from the Johnsons and from Owen and Marie, and I know I have very recently heard from Marilyn. Mary Beth called me by phone.

I forgot to send Easter cards and you have so many flowers one would have difficulty in knowing what to send you, so I am sending a check for \$5 which you may spend as pleases you best. I love you a lot and I wish I could be with you more.

My health has been good. I still keep up a reasonable amount of exercises.

The young couple who had arranged to take over when Margaret and Otis left have decided not to come because she has a job of \$150 a month and commission, but she has to run her own car and she will find that it is not all profit, but they were very nice about coming out and talking over matters with me.

Have the doctors ever recommended any change in climate

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for Pat? I think Pat is a dandy boy and he certainly  
deserves to get well.

Love to you both,



March 28, 1950

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

Dear Blanche:

I think of you so much. That is, you are on my mind a great deal, and I know that Pat is wonderful in his endurance and in his heroic efforts to beat a mighty bad adversary, pemphigus.

I had dinner with Carl, Eilene, and Wayne Sunday. Eilene is a good housekeeper and an excellent cook, and I enjoy being with her. They have the cutest and most convenient contrivance for Wayne that I have ever seen. He sits on a seat suspended in the center of a table about 2½ feet square. In this way, he can have the full use of his arms and legs and can play with his play things with which he is surrounded.

He is just as sweet as ever and I shall miss them very much when they leave for the summer. The new hair which has grown on the fore part of his head is not quite as dark as his babyhood hair, but he is going to have beautiful blue eyes and dark brown hair.

When Eilene gets good word from her dad, she is always mighty nice to telephone me.

Tell Pat we are all pulling for him and think he is putting up such a wonderful fight that he is bound to win out.

Lots of love to you both,

March 7, 1950

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

My dear Blanche:

I was very glad to get your letter of last Friday, and in each letter I earnestly look for word of permanent improvement of Pat's condition. If Showman has any suggestions as to change of climate or anything whatever that would promise recover for Pat, let us let him have it no matter what the expense may be.

I am sorry about Owen's being disturbed in location at this time, and if it would in any way help to solve the question, I should be very happy to have Marie stay with me at the old homestead until the little one arrives and after that until they can be properly located. I am serious about that because under the circumstances with Pat's difficulty you would have no opportunity to take care of her in your home, and I presume from the size of the Daly-family, that it would be impractical to consider her going there, but out home Margaret and Otis will be with me until sometime in June, and then Mr. and Mrs. Parrish are taking over, so there will be no break in my affairs unless something unforeseen happens.

As you know, we have a fine doctor in Doctor Johnson and also in Schwegler; and we also have a mighty fine hospital. I rather think that might also do me good because as it is, I sometimes feel as if I had nothing especially to live for. If I could have a part in helping the young folks out, I should be happy in doing so.

Janet was here for a while over the week end. Charles Medlock and Mary Beth expect to be married on June 17, and as a preliminary he was baptized into the Catholic church, I think last Saturday.

It has already turned warm here. The temperature yesterday having a high of 74 degrees. This morning, for the first time, I heard the cooing of turtledoves. Robins and bluebirds are also here.

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I want to have the grounds at home raked and have a certain amount of flower planting. I don't want everything to go to pot, and I have tried to keep things as Gertrude would have liked to have them.

If a cooler climate would be beneficial to Pat for the summer, I would suggest the northwest coast where it seldom gets real warm and is always rather enjoyable, however, the presence of the salty air might or might not be good for him, and I think it would be well to discuss that with Doctor Showman.

Let me hear from you often.

Lots of love,

February 27, 1950

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

Dear Blanche:

I am carrying today for the first time the new key container you sent me for Christmas. The one you sent was a little small to hold my keys so I sent it to the Buxton people and they sent me a larger size which holds my keys nicely. You have kept me in key rings so long now that "the memory of man runneth not to the contrary."

It has been two or three days since I saw Wayne and Eileen but both of them were fine when I did see them. He is a wonderful baby and seems to enjoy life.

Many people inquire about Pat and are all greatly interested in his recovery.

I took Margaret and Otis with me yesterday and drove down to Shawnee cemetery to see the graves there. The four wreaths that were put up last fall at the graves of Father and Mother Reineke, Blanche and John are all in good shape and have not lost their coloring. I was a little afraid I should find them wind blown. Just across the imaginary line to the north are the graves of George, Max, Earl and Della. George's and Max' being the only graves that are marked.

I wrote Robert in Dallas a year or more ago stating that with his permission I would place a marker at Della's grave either at my own expense or would share the expense with him. He wrote back that he wanted to do it himself, but nothing has been done. Della's goodness deserves more consideration. If it had not been for my acquaintance with Della and our mutual regard, I probably would never have met Gertrude. Her life, unfortunately, was rather hard.

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I think I told you that I have practically completed my genealogical work and await Dolph's return which is expected tomorrow and as soon as he finds time I shall have him go over it with me.

It seems queer that there were so few children in our branch of the family. Mamma had more children than any of her brothers with the possible exception of Uncle Joseph, and in my family with one brother and three sisters, two of the sisters had no children and the brother and the other sister each had one. Happily, I have ten grandchildren and four living children in whom I take pride and love them dearly.

I had a nice little letter last week from Marie. She can make a straight line that will look like a word better than anyone else I have ever known.

We are expecting Dolph and Marie home tomorrow.

Pat perhaps shall be interested in knowing that last week Coach Sikes invited John to be his guest at luncheon, at dinner in the evening, and to the basketball game.

I received yesterday a beautiful pair of crocheted gloves. They have style and fit and are made for the cold weather of Minnesota rather than for use here. They were made by Mrs. Floren Pickar of Brainerd, Minnesota, and it certainly means quite a lot to me because they have so little.

I shall be glad to have you come and see me when you can and hope that Pat will be able to come with you. I would almost guarantee to play a game of golf with him, or at least to walk around the course, if he could be here. I might have to be brought back in a wheel chair.

Lots of love,

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

Dear Blanche:

I am very happy to have your letters and I am buoyed up everytime I hear of Pat's improvement, and I am sorry whenever unfavorable reactions occur. I have a wonderfully fine hope of Pat and doubt if there are many men in the world who have his courage to endure. Give him my love and best wishes.

I have just read a good letter from Marie written from Lima, Peru, and dated February 17. They have had a great time and have met Navy and Army men and men from the Embassy, so the trip has been very enjoyable so far, with the exception that Marie is not a better air passenger than she has been in the past. She is quite brave to undertake it.

John and Dolph are here and John has had a bad cold and sore throat for at least a week, but he seems to have it under control now.

As you know, I was up to Wymore and had a pleasant visit with Dorothea and family. They have made a wonderfully fine improvement to their kitchen. They worked it out along plans that she conceived herself and I think she is delighted with the results. They arranged a breakfast bar and I understand usually eat two meals a day there. This makes it much easier than setting up the dining room table for each meal. They are all well. The little boy is talking better and is bright as a dollar. We always thought that Lance was the real student but Charles has been getting some papers with an A plus or 100 plus, the plus indicating the neatness of his work as well as his correctness.

They had two tables at bridge the first night I was

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there and the second night I attended a home talent program in the high school auditorium put on by the PTA which was thoroughly enjoyable, at times hilariously so.

Dorothea came back with me because they didn't like to have me make the trip alone and then she returned by bus Saturday afternoon.

I took dinner with Leo Eller and family yesterday and enjoyed it very much.

I sincerely hope Pat's health will permit you both to visit us in the near future.

Lovingly,

Feb 14<sup>th</sup> -

Dear Dad -

Happy Valentines Day today.  
My sweet husband sent me a  
lovely orchid which I wore to the  
Philharmonic concert last night. Went  
with Helen Riggs & heard <sup>SZYMON</sup> Szymon Goldberg  
Violin Soloist. Simply Wonderful! -

I am enclosing the information  
on the Riggs family. Hope it's what  
you want. Guess we are  $\frac{1}{2}$  cousins due to  
Gov. Bradford in both families - Helen's  
father, Morrison, attended N. U. one year -  
at age 7.18.

Pat seems to be improving again  
after a few bad days. He had some  
bad places on his hips & back & mouth &  
nose were affected again.

Eileen wrote that Nell & Art Weaver  
were coming thru Tulsa yesterday or



today but we haven't seen - them  
or heard from them directly.

Have you thought any more  
about coming down for a few days.  
If I could get some one to come in  
at night to get dinner and stay until  
the nurse came in morning, I'd try  
to get up to see you & my baby, but  
I can't get away otherwise. Mother M.  
stayed back into when I went to  
the concert, but she can't do much.

I'm so glad she can care for herself.

I am fine but get lousy.

Got a letter from Doelph & support  
they got off O.K. Are the boys eating  
with you or at the Pli Delt house -

Love you loads & miss you - Come down if  
you can. So glad Sally S. is O.K. She's such a dear -

Love ya now. Mom Love -

Blanche

7 weeks Dramatics at Vassar College for women

Robert Jennings Riggs Jr. 1922 -

mother - Helen Morrison Riggs Oberlin - A.B. '12  
deland Power School 8

grandfather - Charles Walthall Morrison 1856-1927  
Mus.D. Director of Oberlin Conservatory  
of Music, Oberlin Ohio  
Dramatics '14

grandmother - Katherine Winship Morrison 1862-1935  
Teacher of Voice Oberlin Conservatory of Music  
Ancestry goes back to Richard Winship  
a soldier in the American Revolution  
and Governor Bradford of the Pilgrims.

great grandfather - Theron S. Winship Colonel  
in the Civil War - banker in Cosmeant, O.

great grandmother Sara E. Kilborn Winship.

Marilyn husband, Bob graduated A.B. Dartmouth '43  
M.A. degree Columbia University N.Y.  
'47

employed Carter Oil Co, Okla. City

Lt. J.G. Navy - served 3 years -

Robert Jennings Riggs Jr. 1922 - <sup>Obesin a. b. 91</sup>  
Father - Robert Jennings Riggs 1888 - <sup>attended Chicago</sup>  
<sup>Columbia U.</sup>  
Grandfather - Charles Wilson Riggs 1855 - 1924 <sup>Missouri</sup>  
graduate of Princeton '79 - Teacher  
in Central Turkey college, minister.

Grand mother - Electa Parsons Riggs 1851 - 1922  
graduate of Elmira College '72.  
daughter of missionary parents in  
Turkey. Father killed by bandits  
in Turkey.

Great grand father - Elias Riggs - 1810 - 1901  
Read greek at 9 yrs. and Hebrew at 9 yrs.  
graduated from Amherst College in 1829  
and from Andover Theological Seminary 1832  
Sailed for Greece as missionary in 1833  
Read and preached in seven ancient  
and modern languages  
His father was Pastor of Presbyterian Church  
in New Providence N.J.  
Direct descendant of Edward Riggs who  
came to New England and settled in  
Roxbury, Mass. in 1633.

February 9, 1950

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

Dear Blanche:

I was very glad to get your letter of last Friday. I have just received a letter also from Marilyn with two pieces of good news, one that they are expectant for the coming August, and the other that she believed Pat was getting better and that his skin was healing.

There is nothing much new here. I went to a general meeting of the church last night for the first time in a long while, and I did not find it greatly exciting. Maybe I am cold and frigid and people are afraid to be too friendly and kindly, or else we have a fairly cold bunch at the church. I sometimes think that perhaps there are those in the church who rather resent that I do more for the church, in a physical way at least, than any other member. I don't want to become a grouch, and I am getting rather used to being lonely because my young people at home stay in their apartment in the lounge down stairs and I spend my evenings alone in the living room.

I have a T-V installation, but I am not too greatly entertained by it. I turned it on last night for a while but did not like the exhibition of Golden Gloves that was being given, so turned it off again. Please do not sympathize with me too much because I am getting along very well under the circumstances.

Otis is a dandy boy. I like him, and he informed me yesterday that he had secured his Masters Degree which made him exceedingly happy. He has been a good student. They expect to be with me until June.

Dear little John Louis would now be 35 years old were he living. I think of him often.

You still are, as you always have been, a most satisfactory daughter.

Lots of love,

January 25, 1950

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

Dear Blanche:

I was to see Eileen and family the other day and held the little chap in my arms for quite awhile. He is one of the brightest, cleanest-cut looking babies that one can find anywhere, growing rapidly and he enjoys attention. Eileen and Carl are both well.

The baby bed which we loaned them, awaiting the arrival of their own bed, was returned by Carl last evening, so the new bed is now in use.

I sincerely hope that Pat is improving under the home care. Tell him that Max Wiedemann asked about him the other day. I shall be happy when he gets well enough so he can make us another visit, and we shall insist on his fingering his nose at Candy Kane.

Semester examinations are on now, or are just past, and I think that Carl came through in good shape as he is a good student.

As Margaret and Otis expect to leave me in June, Dolph wrote and ad a week or so ago, and it was answered by a couple from Manhattan who are transferring to Lawrence. They were up a week ago Sunday and arranged to come to us as soon as the vacancy occurs, so the other day Mrs. Parrish drove up to Lawrence and answered an ad which gave her an apartment at the home of L. G. Carter in the house formerly occupied by a family named White. It is about a block south and a few rods west of the Huddleston house on west ninth street. They will occupy this apartment until Margaret and Otis leave. Meanwhile, Mrs. Parrish, whom we will call Irene, is doing typing for me at home and looking for a job in town. She has followed up several good leads and will, doubtless, get located. It has proven a God send to me in getting typing done on my genealogy, and I really am pleased with the amount of copy we are getting ready.

January 25, 1950

Mrs. O. W. Maloney

You may remember Lois Hutchinson, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Hutchinson who were formerly here of Lawrence where he was pastor of the Baptist church. She must be just about your age. I had occasion to write her upon the death of her mother and my folksy letter evidently appealed to her. I am sending the letter to you to read and then you may return it to me so that I can again write her later on. I think, perhaps, it would be nice, if you remember her, for you to write her also.

I am sure that Marrison has not send me any dope whatever regarding the genealogy of her husband and I should like to have it soon. Just mention himself, father, and grandfather, or any other distinguished ancestor that he would like to have mentioned.

I am really hungry to have you and Pat come to see me.

Lovingly,

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Lawrencr, Kansas. Jan. 16, 1950

Dear Blanche:-

Thank you for your promptness in editing matter sent you and for its quick return. The same mail brought back the report from Dorothea, and I had received already received the report from Janet and Dolph. I think it was a good idea to let the children have a chance to make corrections, before publication

You told me yesterday the cost of the two pictures, which you sent me, but I have forgotten whether it was ten dollars each, or twenty dollars each, so I am sending my check for \$40.00, and if it is too much, credit it to profit and loss.

I am glad that Pat is again at home and feel sure that it will have a beneficial effect. No one prefers to stay in a hospital no matter how well it is conducted, unless it is necessary.

I am glad to give good news regarding little Sallie Stough. I take it that you know that her parents were greatly frightened nearly a week ago, when she fell to the floor, and they saw everything was not right. Calling a doctor immediately she was taken to the hospital, where she stopped breathing, but responded quickly to the respirator. She was then taken to the Medical Center at Rosedale where they have given thorough study to her case. It seems to be a case where first there is some fever, which may be followed by convulsions. Tests for polio and other things of that sort proved negative, and she will soon be home. Probably by Saturday of this week. So far Mary Jule has been with her, and Vera and her Dad have been keeping house in Lawrence.

It was too close a call to be taken lightly. Here is hoping it will not happen again. She is a beautiful and brilliant child.

I am happy over having the pictures, and they fit into our photograph case. Much love to both of you and regards to friends.

Lovingly

February 9, 1950

Mrs. L. A. McNalley  
Minneapolis,  
Kansas

Dear Janet:

I am always glad to get your letters and I know how hard it is for you to find time in your busy life. You tell me that I am a lecturer, but my lectures are all free. I am afraid no one would pay to listen to them. I know how difficult it is for you to get help and yet I wish that you could have someone to take the burden of washing and ironing, and the thousand and one other things that you do to keep your beautiful home looking so nice. You are a splendid housekeeper, a darling girl, and a fine wife and mother.

Little John Louis would have been 35 years old last Saturday. I think of him often and I have the idea that he is still an entity somewhere and still growing.

Look after your health because you are very precious to me and to your family.

I think it will be fine for your brother Joe to be with Anna but it may be a little hard on her to care for him, and yet under the circumstances perhaps it will give her something to do and to think about that will take her mind off herself. Both Gertrude and I liked her and enjoyed our short acquaintance with her. I think if she were with folks who cared for her that she could easily be a very lovable character.

Give my best to Mac.

Much love,



Thursday

Dearest Dad —

Nov 10, 49

was so glad to receive your letter saying you would come for Thanksgiving. We are looking forward to a Cappy time for all, with all the Maloney children & families & you too.

We still aren't sure whether or not Pat can come to Homecoming or not. Pat has had a rough time lately. Had laryngitis as a result of a new crop of breaking out. He is much better & we think will be O.K. If he is not well enough

to travel, I may drive up anyway & bring my friend, Mary Harris — (Mrs. Ewing Harris) from Louisville Ky. who is coming tomorrow to spend a week as my house guest. She is a charming woman & only recently lost her husband who was a peach of a fellow. They were our friends

here in Ielsa when we were here  
after the first world war & they moved  
back to Louville about the time we  
came to Lawrence - I am having a  
tea for her Monday afternoon & several  
of her old friends & mine, as entertaining  
for her - We have been doing a little  
house cleaning too - Had windows washed  
inside & out - Screens cleaned & moved  
down stairs - curtains washed & ironed etc -

Eileen writes that Wayne continues to  
grow & be a good boy. I envy your being  
able to see him so often.

Owen & Marie will fly up for the  
Thanksgiving holidays & Marilyn writes they  
plan to be in Lawrence for Homecoming  
but will stay with Eileen & Carl - They'll  
be here Thanksgiving too -

We listened to the Nebraska game & it  
certainly was a "happy day" - Did Delf  
play? We didn't hear his name mentioned  
but saw his name in the J. W. lineup.  
Also am happy for John in his Lawrence H.C.

team success.

I slowly enjoyed having Frances here. She is a grand person. We didn't do any entertaining for her. She + Mother M. flew to O.C. to spend the day with Marilyn & they both enjoyed that -

We are having marvelous weather but aren't getting out any. I'm going to the Beauty Parlor this afternoon for a "breather" -

Keep well now, & be sweet & I'll see you soon - I'll call or let you know in some way, how many "if" - we wait for Hans coming.

Best To the Kings -

Much Love - Devotedly  
Blanche -

Dearest Dad -

~~Tuesday -  
Early Oct 1945~~

I find I did not include the  
snaps I mentioned in my last letter -  
So here they are -

When I talked to Eileen Sunday  
she told me about John's accident.  
Just makes me sick. Bless his  
little heart & I hate to think of  
that handsome face being  
harmed - They are both such sweet  
kids.

Eileen is holding out on us  
I'm afraid. I'm so darned anxious  
it is very difficult to wait.

I hope to see you before you get  
this letter. Lets hope -

Pab is still improving  
but so slow. His mouth is bothering

him now. His lips are swollen &  
he is broken out inside. Poor darling.  
But he's still in good spirit. Not  
well enough to leave home.

Have you loads of hope to see  
you soon -

Devotedly  
Blanche -

I haven't heard from Janet for  
ages. Is she O.K.?

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Am 3/20/55

Dearest Dad -

I hope you had a happy St. Patrick's Day today. Lema, yesterday got for the cutest bouquet - a large green ash tray - 3 green carnations & a pot of growing daisies - He sent 6 cards - the first & only writing he has done in six months, so you know how much he loves you & how much of a kick he got out of St. Pat. I bought him a green tie with shamrocks & pipes in white - It will be worn next year as he said - "He had other plans for St. Pat's this year" -

I am fine - don't know where the time goes except that in mama, papa - work - shopping - errand boy & nurse - but I really don't have hard work to do. Ruby is so faithful & does all the difficult things & washes & iron every other day beside.

We had a bad hail storm a week ago which killed all the jonquils & buds flat, but the hyacinths & crocus are coming out again & this morning it is beautiful. I've been out getting a few flowers & replanted a pot of flowers & am leaving soon for the grocery store. Owen & Marie were in this afternoon to get their car & will drive back to O.C. tomorrow. They seem delighted with their move & Marie stood it beautifully. They had good moves & Owen did all the glazing, furniture, hanging of curtains, pictures etc. & Marie says it looks very nice. We are looking forward to seeing them and also to leaving our

only here Easter. Aileen says she will spend the  
full time here but Carl will go & Wichita for a few  
days to try to find a house.

We have company almost every day - I other-  
wately, they nearly always call & consequently I  
keep them scattered & usually, unless it is a very  
old friend, I keep the women down stairs & let the  
men visit with Pat. His eyes have been so bad  
lately that we haven't used the I.O. at all. His  
general condition is about the same. I do wish I  
could see general improvement. He talks about how  
much better he is, but I can't see it. He is bed-  
fast except for about an hour a day when he sits  
in his chair & has lunch.

I am always so glad to hear from you &  
as I always remind you, I'd be so happy  
to have you come visit us. It would be such a  
pleasure having you and I would make any time.  
I take Pat & my trap up stairs every night & we eat  
leisurely together & then listen to the radio until  
bed time. It's just too difficult to make arrangements  
to go out at night & I nearly always refuse any  
night invitations. I did go to the Philharmonic  
concert & De & Mike stayed with Pat.

Love you so much. My best to the King &  
come when you can.

Devotedly  
Blanche

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Dearest Dad -

Your nice letter yesterday offering to buy us a J.O. set was a great boon to Pat. He loves you a lot anyway and when you do so many nice things for us, it makes him feel very close to you.

However, we have a J.O. set. We got it as a Lumbardian Christmas present for each other. Pat has enjoyed it a lot up until his eyes have been too bad to use it. For several weeks, the mucous membranes in his nose, eyes & mouth, have been badly affected and altho we desiccate it very little, I know he cannot chew meat, blow his nose, see well or even hear. We have had the eye, ear doctor out several times & clean out his ears. He has been listening to the Radio for entertainment and has not been even reading his beloved Sat. Ev. Post.

But your offer thrilled us both and thank you again for being such a wonderful dad -

I know the 21st of March has been a sad memory in your life and I always think of you then and wish I could be with you. I think of Mother so often these days and for her birthday this year - I wish you'd let me furnish flowers for the church & then you can do anything with them later that you wish.

Remember, I was with you last year on that date -

I hope to be able to come to Kansas for Mary Bell's wedding. We are just making time here or some time I get terribly distressed mentally but have managed to hang on to my self at all times and never let Pat know



When the load gets pretty heavy. He is so unhelpful at all times and I can't let him down.

I know I should get away for a few days, but it's so difficult to find any one to stay at night, who wouldn't be a burden to him & since he's used to no one is still feeling so bad - I'm going to stick. However, I'd make some arrangements for June 17th, if things aren't any better by then.

We are looking forward to the children being here for Easter & Doflu & Marie visit the following week end. Long ago - especially home folks - are a real pleasure - my little loved Rudy is so willing & eager to help & always does the heavy work for me so my own makes no extra trouble - our nurse is very efficient & good natured & Pat & I do get along fine.

I have been trying to get out a little during the day just to give me a fresh outlook & help me stay in good spirits. I am also the shopper & cook so am busy preparing 3 meals a day & vary them to a sick man's taste. So far - I have kept him happy as he could be under the circumstances.

We approached the St. Pat's card & agree with Hodelian that some times we'd like to "kill some range-a-gun" for fun but most of the time I keep my sense of humor going along.

Our yard is lovely & every little crocus blossom reminds me of Pat's labor of love - I have a poor excuse for a yard man & know so little about what to do, that it scares me. Our house needs so much attention, painting, new linoleum, doors & fence fixed, but now is no time to do it so again I'm waiting -

Must close & get this in the mail. I'm at the Beauty Parlor & am scrawling worse than usual - All my love - Blanche

Dear Dad - AM 3/14/50 Tuesday

I haven't written for several days because I have been so busy. Owen & Marie dropped in on us Friday & left yesterday. Owen is being moved to Oklahoma City & thinks he'll like it better there because of more field work & of course - they'll be closer to home - Marie seems fine but of course she's quite disturbed about her traveling around so much. The company will move them & she will have a thing to do, but every woman has certain things she wants to look after especially the excitement of it all is too good for her now at 7 months. Guess I'll hope for the best & not worry.

I guess you will be glad to know Pat says he's "well" today. He has had some improvement in his skin condition lately & if it continues will really be getting some place. His skin looks bad & his ears have been affected - swollen & closed inside so his hearing has been very poor.

Mother M. has had a bad cold & laryngitis but is getting over it rapidly. I haven't been getting out much lately but am going to my Shakespeare Club today. I like those girls & the program is to be a book review on "Garrick"

Yesterday, we received a very attractive gift  
of silver from Dymph & Marie. It was so  
thoughtful of them to send it & to think of us  
while on their interesting trip. The Whitehills,  
our next door neighbors are in the Nieuw  
Amsterdam taking the same trip your  
mother did in 1939

Pat hears from his friends in <sup>Lawrence</sup> Dubu. Ben  
Cassman, Roy Allen, all write him quite  
often. His hands are no longer swollen  
but are scaly & tremble. He has been so  
shocked nervously this attack -

Has John decided where he wants to go to  
school? I miss seeing my nieces & nephews.  
Janet writes Mary B. is to be married in June.  
I hope I can go.

We follow K. U.'s basket ball & track  
progress & hope they get a tie for 2nd -  
Our yard is beautiful. Why don't you  
get on the train & come down some week end.  
We'd just love having you - or come with Eileen  
& Carl. Easter? They get 10 days & we are so  
thrilled. Love you very much -  
Devotedly Blanche

Friday  
AM 3/6/50

Dearest Dad -

Tip been delinquent for the past few days. There is nothing new to tell, but I just want you to hear from me -

I know you are glad to have Dolf & M. back safely. Saw in the J.W. where they had arrived.

A telephone call this morning <sup>from Owen</sup> says he's been called in to Tulsa for a change. In a way, I'm sorry for them to have to move again. There is such confusion about it all & now Mair is large & has 2 months to go & I want we want every thing to go smoothly for her - If Owen could be sent to Tulsa, it would certainly be a fine thing to have him here, but if ~~he~~ goes some place way off again, I don't like it too much. Could be Artesia N.M. Canada, or most any place. I'd like to see him where he could learn more of the inner workings of the company & be a Maloney representative for our interests -

Pat is just the same. He shows no

marked improvement - has sores all over his  
back & buttocks & this morning had an ear  
doctor out here to clean out his ears which  
had been plugged with jamflingus, he couldn't  
hear any thing for a day due to the ob-  
structions.

Yesterday, I had lunch with Mary -  
Wallace, Nell Do' Bernarde & some other friends  
to in all at Mary's - We played cards & it  
was a diversion we all enjoyed. We been  
getting out during the day time a little -  
But am here every evening from 4.30  
on, I don't see how I can get away, which  
Pat is feeling so much. He really needs me to  
pop him up a little, but some times, I  
don't have much enthusiasm for anything.

Do keep well & let me hear from you  
as often as possible. The children are wonderful  
about writing. I hear from Janet quite regularly.  
I do hope Mary Beth's plans work out satis-  
factorily for all concerned. We thank the  
Lord for our nice sons & daughters in law & I  
think Charlie is a nice guy - Wait you -

Sorry the key ring was too small. It was the  
largest they had here at the biggest leather store -  
Always enjoy your letters. All my love - Blanche -

Friday

Dearest Dad -

Your most welcome letter & offer  
of help came a few days ago & Pat was so  
pleased to think you were so thoughtful & kind  
that he wanted to write you himself. How-  
ever, his hands are in too bad a shape &  
he is too nervous to attempt to write yet, so  
in my feeble way, let me thank you again  
& again for your generosity & thoughtful care  
of your children.

We have reduced our expenses a  
bit by buying linen home & letting our  
nurse go. The drugs, doctor & 1 nurse  
expenses go at 7 course, but as you say,  
the malms - Crawford's medicine has been  
good & we have so far been able to carry  
the load & have every thing to needs.

I am keeping Ruby as we wash & iron  
every day and I am fairly free to run errands  
& be free up until 4.30, when the nurse  
leaves & I take over. So you see we are  
getting along O.K. but do thank you so  
much -

Marilyn's love & the wedding is  
written. Marilyn says to tell you she received  
your letter & will write as soon as she

gets here. Mother M. will be out there  
to stay with Pat so I can go to the  
wedding with Bob.

I am on my way to the drug store  
to get some supplies, so must hasten.

Pat wants me to thank you  
over & over & will call for help if we need  
it but so far we're O.K. so don't you worry

I take care of my grand-son - I enjoy  
you being able to see him growing. We  
all agree with you that he is the cutest  
ever. Get the children to give you some of their  
newer pictures, they are darling - sitting  
up alone etc -

Love you so much & miss you. As  
soon as Pat improves a little more, I want  
you to come down again - I have written  
Dorothy & Marie several times & never hear  
from them. When do they plan to leave.

Much love -

Devotedly

Blanche -

Am 2/9/56

Wednesday

Dearest Dad: -

I've been a little slow in writing lately - Please forgive.

We are improving slowly & I know you like to hear that - A few days ago his skin seemed absolutely dry - but a bad day brot out slips & some blisters, so we start over again, but its not so bad this time. He has had plasma twice since his return home & takes the aureomycin regularly. His appetite remains excellent & we fill him full of steak, cheese - eggs etc -

Last week was fun having Marjorie home and I attended two lunches and the wedding. Monday, I went to a Garden Club meeting where colored slides of our yard were shown and yesterday, went to my Shakespeare Club - Today, I am getting a shampoo & wave -

(Crown?) The weather has been warm and our crocuses are out. The camellias frost, as I had no one to cover them, but I have brot pots of jonquils & hyacinths in, which Pat planted in the fall, and they are blooming so spring is just around the corner.



I miss seeing our baby and Helen  
mentions your dropping in and loves  
having you. Last Sunday, they drove to  
Topeka to see grandfather Olander &  
took the baby. I said he was very good.

Maria<sup>m</sup> writes that she is well but  
has gained too much weight. The doctor  
thinks it is only so however. You know  
her mother had triplet sisters and we  
have twins in the Maloney family so  
sure we should come up with a double  
birth in this generation.

I hope Marilyn has sent you the  
information you desire. Dick's wife (Boles brother)  
has a new little girl born a week ago. Marilyn  
keeps quite busy. She teaches cooking to 6<sup>th</sup>  
grade girls in a very poor school where they have  
little equipment & most of the girls leave school  
after elementary education and come from  
improvident & delinquent homes. Her talks are  
quite fascinating.

So glad Doff and Marie can take this  
nice trip. Howard & Ruth Whitehill, our next  
door neighbors, are on the dinner Amsterdam  
on the same trip you took -

Must close & get to my appointment  
Love you very much - Devotedly  
Marilyn

Sunday -

Dearest Dad -

Have not heard from you in some time & I haven't been able to write as often as in the past. I'm glad to report that Pat started improving yesterday & today, but the past week has not been a good one. He had 2 blood transfusions & 1 plasma infusion.

I have been getting out some during the day & went to a Kappa Alumnae meeting yesterday & to lunch & out for a few errands Friday, with Marian Planch and Mildred Lytle, two old Dofco friends.

Both Doris & Marilyn had little warming last week & altho nothing serious developed, they are taking it pretty easy. The park, from which

the leopard escaped at Olda City is just  
a few blocks from the children's quarters  
& we'll all be glad when he's caught.

It was certainly a wonderful thing  
you did to remember all the children  
with the band gift. You are so sensible &  
also generous with your dealings and  
altho we all love you as much as any  
one could be loved, these little extra  
kindnesses & generousities, especially extend  
you to the younger ones & they'll always  
remember you & mother for your companionship  
& friendship as well as for your gifts.

I am going & shall write a longer  
letter next time, but am picking mother  
up at 12.30 to bring her out for lunch  
& to see Pat, so will mail this at the hotel &  
must hasten. I make sure to Lawrence  
for a few days in a week or two, just  
to see you & our baby. We have to get a  
practical nurse here first.

Love you so much - Best to the King  
Devotedly - Blanche

Tuesday Feb 21<sup>st</sup>

Dear Dad -

So glad to receive your letter this afternoon. I had intended writing today any way, but so glad to hear from you -

Eileen had written, also Nell W. that you had gone to Wynmore. You didn't tell me as I suppose you decided rather suddenly & I was glad to know you had gone, also to know why I had not heard from you. Did you get the letter Nell delivered? I had it written & stamped when they were here last week & she took it up & found out you were gone (It had the Riggs family data in it)

I went to Oklahoma City Sunday with Helen & Bob Riggs. I decided very suddenly to make the trip arranged to have Ruby stay all night here & look after Pat's needs, until the nurse returned in the morning. They got along fine & I was back yesterday afternoon before the nurse left. Maule is just getting over a bad cold & has a persistent cough remaining. They are