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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