

Mr. and Mrs. A. Freeman, December 16, 1950

For the first time in several years I am having the home take on something of a Christmas attitude because of the young folks who are with me. I bought a small Christmas tree and Irene has strung it with Christmas lights which we had stored in the basement. I also bought a very pretty poinsettia so that the living room looks very pretty and has a Christmas air. She has made candy and I have bought two quarts of nuts. Mr. and Mrs. Parrish have been very thoughtful of me and I appreciate it very much. He will finish his work at the University with the close of school this year, so I can not look for them to be with me many months longer.

I had a nice letter from Mrs. Gooding of Weiser, Idaho who was born to Mr. Wickey by his second wife. She is really perhaps a fourth or fifth cousin, but as she has practically no relations we have corresponded quite a bit, and I think she is a very fine woman. Her daughter and granddaughter called upon us several years ago.

I have written to the Purintons sending them a small check with which they are to buy flowers or anything else that they wish. I did this because the local florist told me that he could not guarantee delivery to someone who did not live in town.

I am glad to see you both looking so well and will look forward to seeing you again next summer.

Enclosed is a Christmas check with which I hope you will buy something that pleases you.

Lots of love,

WCS:bjh