

May 17, 1950

Mr. and Mrs. Don A. Freeman
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Dear Grayce and Don:

I was happy to receive your letter of May 12, and I hope your new housekeeper will prove satisfactory in every way.

Yesterday, as you may have recalled, was Gertrude's birthday. She would have been seventy-five years old.

We have had some recent rains which have brought the trees into practically full foliage, and everything looks green and lovely.

John graduates from high school and will attend the university in the fall. I think Dolph, Jr., has one more year, but will probably be connected with the newspaper. I received word from Owen and Marie Maloney announcing the birth of a boy on May 15, to whom they have given the name of Owen Wayne Maloney, III.

As you know, Mary Beth is to be married on June 17, and we hope that you can be here. A letter received today from Dorothea indicates that they hope to be up there the last part of this month. She will see to ~~opening~~ our cabins and will be with us more or less during the summer.

The last word we had from Blanche indicated that Pat's skin seems to be in better shape due to a new remedy called Cortozone, but the orifices like nostrils, ears and so forth are still in bad shape. Blanche has had a terrible burden to bear, but has been lovely in her care and attention to her husband.

I am always glad to get your letters. It will not be long now before Otis and Margaret will complete their work at K.U., and I have not yet found anyone for the place. I am sorry that my season at the lake promises to be shorter than usual.

Love to both,