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Mrs. Oscar Dahlene
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Dear Mildred:

Thank you for the Christmas card and short letter. I think I can realize your loneliness. Your loss of mother and husband as I recall came very close together, and now your boys are both away.

You have been away from Lawrence so long that it is probably that you would not find a great many of your former friends here, but still it might do you good to make a visit to the old home town. I am not figuring exactly, but it must be about forty years ago that I taught the class of girls of which you were a member. I remember well your fair hair and complexion, and I remember also you mama and grandmother, both of them beautiful women.

I can recall the many pleasant evenings that Gertrude and I used to have playing high five, I think, with your father and mother. The property that your father had down in the ten hundred block is now valuable property, and I think that your brother, Henry, either owns or manages it. I remember I was rather fearful when your father built the Varsity theatre that he had over-reached himself, but undoubtedly it has panned out and has made a good investment because it has been operated every day since it was built.

Should you wish to come to Lawrence to see old friends I should be glad to have you as my guest. I have a fine young couple who live in the home and keep house for me. He was a marine in the last war and is taking advanced work in engineering. His wife is a home economics graduate from Manhattan. As we bought our home in 1917 I think you were here at that time, but we remodelled it quite thoroughly in 1921.

Were you to visit our church you would miss a great many familiar faces. As a matter of fact, Mrs. Hagaman, the former