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Dear Blanche:

I was very happy to get your letter of last Thursday and so pleased to know that Pat seems to be getting better. His sickness has been extremely hard on both of you and you have both shown magnificent courage and cooperation, and I sincerely hope that Pat will continue to improve even though it sometimes seems slow, and that he will not have any occasion to relapse.

I am interested in knowing that little Owen is coming along, bless his little heart. Waving bye-bye, speaking a word or two and cutting a tooth is quite a problem for a little chap like him.

About the only way that I can see for you to have a vacation would be to get one of the girls to be at your home during your absence. I doubt that it would be good for Pat to be away from you for long. In about four months we shall be considering going back to the lake and it might be that Pat could accompany you there and enjoy the sunshine, the out-of-doors, and as much fishing as he felt able to stand. If that seems to fit in anywhere with your plans let me know and I shall be very glad to have you spend just as much time there as you can.

I know you need a little respite. No one could have been more faithful and loving in caring for another than you have been with Pat. Even the little vacation with Mrs. Macanally undoubtedly would be helpful. You are fortunate in having many good friends in Tulsa, and as you know I have very high regard for Mr. and Mrs. Ewling and also for Margaret and Palmer Shelton. If you happen to see Elaine I shall be glad to have you remember me to her. She is a most interesting young woman whose life has not been too easy.