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Dear Folks:

Not much news since my last letter, but wanted to send holiday greetings.

All goes well here. Bob is back to work, has been in and out for a couple of weeks, but will be through after today until after the first of the year, as he still has quite a bit of vacation time coming. He gets about 5 weeks I think.

Barbara got home yesterday and goes in the hospital tonight for a tonsilectomy tomorrow morning, so she doesn't have a very pleasant vacation to look forward to. She has had quite a bit of throat trouble the last couple years, and her being a nurse isn't very good, so a doctor recommended her having them out, and this seemed the best time. Hope she will recover rapidly.

Dave will get home on the 22nd. and Paul will drive home probably on the 23rd, if weather permits. The Swansons are coming on the 23rd., so I hope Paul gets home for that. We are anxious to see Helen and Jim and their family. Elsa thinks Dan may be home too. It will be good to see them all. Christmas Day we spend with Bob's family and other than that we will keep pretty busy. Ann leaves the 30th to go down to see Mary, and comes back the 7th. I am so glad she is going, it will be so good for both of them.

We went to Blanche & Richard Lowery's 50th wedding anniversary party last Sunday down in Newark, it was at the Lutheran church. It was a nice party - they both looked real good. Elsa went with us, and Art & Lovina were there, and a few other people that I knew.

Say hello to everyone for us, and may you all have a Blessed Holiday Season. Take care, Lorraine