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Dear Children:

These letters are a little obsolete, and you probably know the contents, but neverthless, I will send them along.

Charlotte called yesterday and said to change the information contained in her last letter regarding the Hall family reunion which will NOT TAKE PLACE IN JUNE, BUT HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED TO THE WEEK OF THE 3RD TO 10TH OF JULY. SO WE WILL SPEND THE 4th of July in the nation's capitol. The change has been due to the late letting out of school for the Easterners and the Westerners and the fact that July is vacation month for Tracy's children, who go year around.

Charlotte said that the cheapest quotes she could get on fares was Mon thru Thurs \$278,00 round ticket fare. On weekends the fare is 328. Reservations should be made at least 14 days in advance, you cannot change dates, coming or going, or even flights without paying the full fare. From Utah it is \$10 cheaper and may be cheaper from your locality. Do your own calling, and your own arranging. Then you will know what YOUR best deal is. Fares can be changed at any time without notice, but will not affect already arranged-for tickets.

I have had a rough post-christmas time. I had one bad coughy-cold, and when that cleared up I got another. Then I got the flu--which was ouch. I have been fine for a week, but think I am trying to get another cold. Come Summer.

Dad volunteered to do the ward newspaper. A sure sign of senility. I have a few signs myself, the worst of which is forgetting—but that's not so new is it?

We had a wonderful christmas--the only thing wrong with it was not seeing Liz and Marty and family, and Dan and Sherlene and family, and Ginger and Barry and family.

We will make the rafters ring at Gingers. I am thinking of getting a near-by motel—but then we will miss the excitement as well as the noise.

I understand all of us will feel a flush of wealth soon. Nancy says in a couple of weeks (She said Gene Myers says). Save enough of that flush to get to Arlington.

You could save money (but not time) and drive. Everyone should have the experience of driving across the continental US just once. You do miss a lot from the air.

Sherlene and Dan have purchased a new home in New Jersey. It is a NEW home. (Everyone ought to have a NEW home once in their lives. It is a large home and because it is a large home, it will accommodate all their accumulated treasures? without holding massive garage sales. After living their so long, though, they are going to find out that moving after all that time it is very hard. Especially if you happen to be squirrels, like I am.

We have had a cold winter, with lots of snow, but the sun has shone much of the time-I can stand winter if the sun comes through my south windows.

Thanks for your christmas gifts. Hearing from you, and seeing you was best of all. Tracy Hunt. had the lead in his school play, The Stranger. The BYU put it on shortly therafter, and Tracy Sr. said he thought the high school play was just as good.

Sherlene, get settled fast. Dad and I will probably stay for a while after the week of the 3rd to the 10th is finished, and you can take us genealogy crawling.

Eat your heart out, Barry! (Go with us?)

Love, Mom