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Dear Jacques, Juliette and Dom:

At long last I find time to write to all of you - a very tardy letter. We keep so busy running back and forth to Salt Lake City and trying to keep up with University work that it leaves little time for anything else. We can not begin to thank you properly or show our appreciation for your thoughtfulness and kindness during the past anxious months. We are, indeed, rich to have friends like you! We received your gifts vis Dixie Bonnichsen and what a joy to have some treasures from North Africa. You were very selective and can not know how much we like and enjoy these lovely objects. All our friends have enjoyed seeing them. Marie Wornington was kind enough to send me a book on Byzantine art when I told her about the lovely lamps. We are equally thrilled about the little jeweled forks - they are beautiful.

Our Holidays have been quiet this year. Our greatest present is that we have each other and the illness has only made us realize that real wealth is in our loved ones and friends. Evelyn is holding her own but still subject every third week to the terrible Chemotherapy shots. They make her so very ill. We don't know how long they will continue but they become increasingly formidable. Our fondest hopes is that they soon will find a cure for this terrible disease. You and your family guard your health for the loss of it can change one's entire life.

Wornington is still faithfully calling every week and when we told her the Cro Magnon project had been cancelled she said she could get you a lecture series in the U.S.A. if you wanted to come over next year. She said she was going to write to you about this. Since Dom is coming, we thought perhaps you would like to come along also and, hopefully, you can make a trip to Kimberly. Poor Marie is also having her troubles. She has glaucoma and is scheduled for surgery this month. So far, it has not interfered with her visit so she is able to continue with writing her book.

Had an invitation to attend the 8th Congress of Pre and Proto Historic Sciences in Belgrade, from August 28th to Sept 2nd and then a symposium on the study and function of stone tools to be held on the island of Hvar on the Dalmation coast. I talked with Dr. Alan McPherron, University of Pittsburgh - who is arranging things at this end - and asked that you attend. He said he would notify you when the organization is completed. I do hope we can arrange for the funds for it sounds like a very worthwhile project and a chance to get together with friends again.

I have been neglecting my flaking recently but am now back at it again each night in the shop. Too cold to work out of doors. The rough came back rather quickly and have discovered a couple of new techniques which I will show you when we get together again.

Hope Dom got her little package without breakage. It is so hard to send things overseas. Do give our best to the family and hope we can get together in 1971.

Your friend,

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