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Dear Jacques:

It was so nice to receive your letter and hear of your plans for the summer. Sounds like your little house in the Dordogne is an ideal place to spend the summer and am sure you will enjoy the field work and being with Francois. We are so sorry you missed seeing Marie in Paris but she said that she had seen Francois and Denise. Do hope Denise is doing better now. Evelyn is still on chemotherapy and due for another shot tomorrow. She just hates them and is hoping that some day they will tell her she has had enough. She seems some better but the treatments keep her so weakened and it is hard for her to eat. We will just keep hoping.

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In your letter you mention being in the States in December 71. I heard indirectly that you were to be at Tempe but do not know is there is any validity to this. Perhaps you plan to be in Illinois with Francois. I have tentatively accepted the invitation to be in Urbana with Francois in December, but it will depend on Evelyn's health. Do hope we can get together. Do let me know where you plan to be and perhaps we can get together. If you will be at Tempe, we would love to drive to the warmer climate in December and get together there. Do let us know your plans. Have not heard from Francois for some time as we have not written. Evelyn was quite sick which stopped all correspondence and then we were away for awhile. We attended the S.A.A. meetings in Norman, Oklahoma and when we returned from there we flew to Pullman, Wash. where I did some demonstrations and reviewed collections. After that we went with Dr. Swanson and some ISU students to Glass Butte, Oregon to gather material for the field school which will be from July 5th to August 5th. The quarry and workshop site that Evelyn found two years ago turned out to be much more extensive than we had thought and we found many bifaces - very large ones - made of red obsidian. The students will return there in August to do some digging and one of the girls will do her thesis on the site. We all spoke of you and Francois when we were there and just wished you could be with us to see the huge mountain of beautiful red obsidian and the millions of aboriginal chips. What a site. When you come again to Idaho we must take you there.

Have been experimenting with several new blademaking techniques and am having some success. One is a block on block technique which gives quite straight blades with minute platforms. When we get together we can try some of my experiments.

One of the students to attend the field school this summer is Mr. Hiroaki Kobayashi, Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan. We are so glad that he is coming for it will be well to compare our techniques with those of the orient. Tell Francois that Bruce Bradley is also coming - not as a student - but as a visitor. I do not remember this boy, but Francois says he is very good at knapping.

Please give our love to Dom, Juliette and Francois and Denise when you see them and I hope to write to Francois this week. We have been so disturbed about things that I have not written as I should but do hope to see both of you in December.

Your friends,

Don and Evelyn

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