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Dear Don,

I should have written to you before this but I have been up to my head with one thing & another.

It looks as if I shall be finished & out of Pullman a week before Christmas. I am not banking on this as so many things have gone wrong. I am going home the long way, across USA to New York & then to Great Britain.

I had planned to drop in & see you at Twin Falls on my way, - to look at your large pile of rock, photograph your goodies & tape record a message for Australia!

Jeffrey tells me that you are in hospital again, having your plumbing fixed & that you are not likely to be out much before Christmas. I assume that when you do get out you will be going to your sisters, and spending Christmas with her.

I would really like to see you again before I go home. accordingly, if I have got my facts screwed up & you are likely to be

visitable before christmas please drop
me a note.

I hope you make a speedy recovery & are
soon back reducing the rock pile to artifacts

-kind regards

Tom