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Dear Evelyn and Don: - June 14

I joined Junius in Panama the middle of April, and came home ahead of him - I expect him next weekend. When I went down to the museum, I found a package waiting for us, from "Florence Swenson". I opened it and there was that lovely "flower arrangement" from you two nice people. You do do the nicest things. This latest gift will give us pleasure every time we look at it - Junius is going to enjoy it just as much as I do. I have put the paper, with the names of the different stones, in an envelope on the back, for easy reference. I hope to write a note to Mrs. Swenson, telling her how much we appreciate it. - Thank you both so much, and for thinking

of us.

Juris has been in Panama since the end of Jan., digging in the Cave of the Thieves, near Penonome. A beautiful site, a 2-hr. walk or mule ride up into the mountains - a large rock shelter, c. 80 ft. long by 30 ft wide, with a high ceiling, and completely dry, on a volcanic outcrop. It looks out over a small valley - grass covered slopes, with trees & bushes on the gullies. Through a gap in the surrounding mountains you can see the coastal plain and the Pacific in the distance. An

ideal camp for early hunters,  
you would think, but for some  
reason they don't seem to have  
used it - very disappointing  
indeed. They had finished digging  
the day before I got there, and  
we were busy cataloguing the  
later stuff that they had  
found - plenty of it, some  
pre-ceramic, but nothing of  
the paleoindians, the makers  
of the fluted points.

Jurine is now in Panama  
City, going over the collection,  
and making some survey  
trips.

We expect to be home this summer - maybe going to the American Congres in Mexico City the first of Sept.

Wish we could have a nice, long visit with you sometime.

Sorry I missed your TV program  
GAY-WINGS affectionately,

To the uninitiated, the little gay-wings, four or five inches high, looks like an orchid of some sort. Actually it is a milkwort — fringed milkwort, it is frequently called. Flowering wintergreen is another name, which it takes from its glossy wintergreen-like leaves. But the newly adopted name, "gay-wings," does seem to fit the spirit of this pink blossom that brightens the woodlands in May and June. Gay-wings grow in rich woods from Maine, south in the mountains, to Georgia and west to Minnesota.

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