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Dear Francois:

It was so good to get your encouraging letter and learn of the pleasant holidays with Cecile and Martin. He sounds like a real cowboy who will be roping steers before you know it.

We have just returned from the University of Hawaii where we had some interesting lithic sessions and the opportunity to see material from the islands and the South Pacific. Richard Gould took us to the big island where we saw an active volcano. I thought of how you would enjoy seeing the action and turbulence of the giant masses of frozen lava which moved into a giant caldera where they were remelted and again spewed into the air. It was like a high speed action of the continental tectonic masses moving together - very spectacular and hot. One expected to see a little man with horns and a pitch fork - looked like Hell. It was, indeed, hellfire and brimstone with a lot of noise - sometimes sounding like the cows being herded into the barn after being on green pasture.

So far we have not given Earl any definite answer about the London trip and we will just have to wait and see how we feel. To have completed the Hawaii trip with no ill effects has been encouraging, but it will take some time until the lung is back to normal and one regains strength. Right now we have sub zero weather so can't get much exercise.

We hope that you and Denise are both enjoying good health and wish you both a happy and prosperous New Year.

With best wishes,

Don and Evelyn