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Dear Francois and Denise:

Have tried to write sooner, but have been down with a second bout of the so and so Hong Kong flu. Believe me the second time around is worse than the first and am glad to be back among the living. This time I think I have really whipped the bug and will have no more trouble. However, did not flint-knap for some time and now that I am back at it, find that my hands will have to get back in condition.

Had a letter from Jelenik and he says that you are to be in Tucson about March 1st and will stay there thru April. We are so glad to know that you are definitely coming. Remember when you are through there we expect you here for just as long as you can stay and, if you get bored there on week-ends- there is pretty good air service to Twin Falls. Am also looking forward to Tixier's visit which he says will be about April 7th. Jelinek is frantically trying to get some material lined up for you to work and I gave him a few names where it could be bought - however really good stuff is hard to find. Don't forget, if you plan to stop in New York you have an invitation by Craig Fisher of NBC News to appear on a program there. Would like to see somebody besides Leakey on an interview.

We, like you, have been thoroughly down in the dumps of late - the world news is all bad and I still would not buy a used car from Nixon. Just finished the income tax which sort of rocks one back when you have to write out such a check. So having had the flu and being fed up with taxes, we plan to leave next week for a short camping trip to Arizona where it will be warm and quiet. Will look for some good material to buy on the way.

The Bordes-Crabtree film was shown at the AAA meetings in Seattle and have heard nothing but raves about it. Clyde Smith promises to send a copy here and the local T.V. station says they will give us a private showing in their studio, so maybe will have that for you to see when you are here.

We do hope that Denise is coming too - but have not been able to get the word from Tucson on that. If so, I do hope she will like our big sky country of Idaho. We so enjoyed our visit with you here last year that we are both looking forward to a repeat. Do hope that it will be as good for you this time as it was last. The trailer is waiting and so is Idaho Jim. He came limping in last week with his hind foot about chewed off by a dog and would not let us touch it. Back again today and the swelling is all gone and he is walking again so guess he can take care of himself. But he looks to ate us out of house and home during the big snow - what an eater.

Please give our regards to Denise and the family and hope Georges and Marie are fine and some day will have a replacement to the son they lost.

Hoping to see and work with you soon,

Sincerely,

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