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Dear Don and Evvy;

My goodness, you certainly have had your share of trouble, but it's good to know that there are brighter prospects ahead. I still hope that somehow, sometime, you'll get down to San Diego again. I have both a sauna and a hot, "Jacuzzi" bath. Both of them are great for therapy.

I was upset to learn that Marie has been having trouble with her eyes as well as her gut...she's too young still to be in for continued illness.

I've had my own share of doctors and hospitals this year. The breast biopsy...which turned out to be benign,...was unexpected; but I also had an anticipated hospitalization a month ago when I had an arthroplasty or complete replacement of my right hip joint. Degenerative arthritis had finally wiped it out and I was in constant pain. I also was increasingly disabled.

Am getting so I can walk again, better than in several years, but there are also certain side affects on my bummer back which I could do without.

Well, let's face it, your /Aunt Emmy aint gettin no younger. I'm just lucky as hell that a few of the guys still whistle at me.

I went to South America in Aug. to give a paper at the meetings and had a ball despite miserable pain and limitation of movement. Got conned into going to Calama, Chile as a consultant for the field director of the Columbia U. archaeological project. .. eight days of guided tours of sites and collections...and I found him a new site area, too. We just made it in time, as the Allende regime (if it's in) may not be too cordial to furriners.

I guess you know about our crazy luck in finding a wide area of untouched Paleo-Indian sites on some Navy bombing ranges. There is also a lot of bone of a Rancholabrean fauna, previously undescribed in the Mojave Desert. Dates of the bone and artifacts and their association (if any) are still unknown.

So wish us luck. Be of good cheer and go well.

Love to both,

*Davey*

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