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Dear Don and Evelyn:

I was just copying these recipes and sending them to my mother, and thought that you might like to have a copy as well. This is the time of year for good hot soups, and I like few things more than this Idaho lentil soup. The fruitcake recipe is also a favorite of mine, particularly if made in the late winter or early spring and kept cook until eating time the next Christmas. Just a thought, anyway.

Did you have a good holiday season? I finally got both NSF proposals (Red Smoke, and the Dierkes Lake book) into Washington, then went back to Duluth and spent Christmas week with my parents and brother's family. Got the cutest 2-year-old niece! Then came back and have spent the last week giving myself a crash course in Australian archaeology, for future use. I got a copy of Mulvaney's recent text on the subject (just published in Australia in 1975) and went through it very thoroughly, transferring all the bibliography and radiocarbon dates to my own card files and then putting each mentioned site on an individual site abstract card for my system. I've never worked even Marie's Ancient Man over that thoroughly! Now I have all the background information ready to begin building information, tho, and start thinking about some problem oriented research. There are obviously few people over there who are knowledgeable about technology, and lots of material on which to work. I'd like to try eventually to pub something together comparing North American and Australian technologies from sites of about the same age and geographical constraints. I've known Norman Tindale for a while (lived next door to him in Boulder in 1970-71), and Peter White from Sydney is a good friend, and last August I met Rhys Jones and Jack Golson, so I have some contacts for future reference. All of which kept me busy last week!

I got the nicest Christmas present from J. B. Sollberger, a beautiful corner notched large biface of Edwards Plateau chert! I was really surprised. I've also volunteered to help edit any papers of his in the future, before he sends them off to a journal, to try and expand the literature references, etc., and he has said he's send me materials in the future. I've really been working the last couple of years to try and turn around the unfortunate situation with the Newsletter incident, and make use of Solly's significant talents. I wish Don and Solly could spend some time together, because I think you would get along personally as well as lithically.

Got to run. Saw Henry Irwin the other day and he looked better than I've seen him in some time, and Ruth Ann Kirk says he's really been in good shape around the office. Sure hope so--have to get over and talk about Hell Gap with him sometime soon. Hope you're having a good new year, better than last, and maybe get some travelling in. Take care....

Love,
Dutton