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Dear E.C.F. :

I was so sorry to hear of the family bereavement. I am sure that you were a tower of strength to them all and especially to your brother.

Plans for the eastern journey have undergone some unexpected changes but now seem to be clearing up a bit. If all goes well, I leave Vancouver for New York on September 23 and rather to my consternation (and greatly to my surprize) I am to give the Commencement address at the Cornell University - New York Hospital School of Nursing on September 30th, these exercises marking the seventy-fifth anniversary of the original NY School. The idea apparently is that I should provide a footnote to history by describing the stirring days from 1929 to 1931 when the transfer was being made to the new environment under the guidance of some of their most distinguished alumnae. EJ acted as midwife at this birth and now they think they are ready for a case history. Anyway, that is what they are going to get -- slightly expurgated, of course, and mellowed by time.

After that, I expect to go on to Baltimore for what I sincerely hope will not be more than a week or so. However, conferences are already looming up and it may be longer. Then back to New York before heading for Montreal and Quebec if the Carringtons are going to be at home. The Canadian dates will fall on or about October 17 to 24 but will be affected one way or another by what happens at Baltimore.

I am sorry to be so indefinte but will keep in touch with you as the situation clarifies itself. I should be very grateful if you could help me to get hotel accommodation at what may be rather short notice. More about this later.

OH, THERE IS SO MUCH TO TALK ABOUT. CABBAGES AND KINGS AND SOCIAL CREDIT, NOT TO MENTION

THE CREATIVE MINORITY.

Ethel Johns

PERPETUAL PRESIDENT.