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Dec. 31

Kello up there!

Wait a week to talk! Can't write it all - wish you could have been here yesterday. We arrived on time but a "closed gate" held us in the plane for 45 min. - then called M & M and they came promptly. This flight was a bit rougher than going out but we ate our lunch O.K. 7-Up, roast beef, scalloped potato, corn, roll, gravy on beef, egg-mustard & Richard ate mine as too much onioning for me - coffee - salad. We had some pancakes rolled around apple sauce, sausage, Cinnamon roll, tea for breakfast going out & Richard could have a sausage & cinnamon roll that I didn't want! Same stewardesses going out & coming back.

Dorothy & Diane drove us to Meriden to get the limousine that took us to Bradley Field at New Haven - Hartford. Left Wallingford at 8:45.

Everyone liked my long red skirt & pink blouse that Margaret picked out and I wore it to wedding & reception and put it on last evening for June to see - Marge hadn't seen it on me!

There had been no snow out there & even Maine was still green. I called Lucy one evening as Ruth sent a card with their phone number in big print.

I wear the sleeveless red sweater all the time to keep my shoulders warm. Cold today & to be 10 below tonight. Turn on elec. blanket!!!

Linda & John came & lunch ready - visited & Eloise came too - John & Linda went to Wilcove Park for overnight then ~~to~~ ^{Thurs.} Linda goes to dinner & John to Mexico.

I wonder if I have a letter there from Joanna Boese? I thought it should be here.

Cold tonight. M + M + I are here alone - Nancy gone with

Larry & Richard went to Nancy's (who painted his picture) John & Linda had Richard's car & he had to drive the Maverick!

We had a good trip - Richard is an excellent escort -

He wanted to go to N. Y. City but no one to go with him - Peter spent most of the time in bed - sore throat, don't had had it

2 wks. before - hope we don't have it. I'm all over the cold & had no more coughing. I did lose 5 lbs. - down to 110 but I'm gaining again. I ordered pills from Dr. M. to be sent there.

M. & N. gave me a bit to embroider - cardinals - and I'll start it. I don't know what I'll work at. "Paps" made a hanging ball of 20 Xmas cards cut into 3" circles ^{& stapled together}. He needs more cards!

January 1

Cold. 1° below this evening. A very uneventful day. Johnny left in P.M. by plane & Linda came here - to go to ~~Thurs.~~ ^{Thurs.}. The cat still serves as entertainer. White Sales are on but I think I'll wait awhile to get a pr. of foam pillows & a pr. of single sheets. If possible I'd like to clean John's room out to put bunk beds in there & get rid of that folding bed in N.E. room!

Tommy just called - he went to the Parade.

They called Nancy to go to work as one of the girls was sick - James over - Dr. Welby on - time to go to bed. Marge helping Linda hem some new slacks.

Jan. 2 - 8:30 AM 7° above 0.

Fine misty snow falling. Marge had to go to work at 7 AM. + Marge at 8 AM. Richard up + had breakfast but Nancy & Linda are both sleeping - also the cat! I have a turkey casserole to make today plus cake or cookies. Now - I'll mail this! ^{Love, M.}

Boese called last one - she can't come up till in February.