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Mrs. William Francis Cutten

Thurs

Sues -  
Dr. + Mrs. C. left yesterday AM  
to go on to Claire's + then to  
Maine. The day they got here it  
turned hot + the day they left  
it turned cool - the usual  
pattern. You-all don't seem to  
have that effect or that luck -  
so I almost feel I could promise  
you a decrease from the heat  
there - but goodness only knows!  
So glad your window fan works  
so well. Too bad these electric  
sheets won't do an about face  
just + cool one off in summer!  
I love + I haven't + would like  
to have you-all heard from

to - I judge <sup>②</sup> there is no prospect  
now of her making a trip.  
had progress on house deal - still  
waiting for prices. The last (4th)  
contractor to whom we gave the  
plans gave a quick guess at the  
price being between \$35- + \$40,000!  
That was as plans stand - i.e.  
including ram's pasture. He said  
the main terrific expense was  
the large amount of stone  
would we plan so we may  
give that up - seems better to  
do that than to give up floor  
space or conveniences. We shall  
see. It seems that another reason  
for setting up the

(3)  
house debt separate from the  
business debt is the effect it  
would have on the business state-  
ment - for Deane + Bradstreet,  
f'instance - it makes such a big  
indebtedness that the total pic-  
ture is not good. And speaking of  
house debt - Frank Anderson has

just been made President of, I  
think, the largest bank in  
W.B. - Miners Nat'l. That's not  
the one he was V. Pres. of. He  
also was made a grandfather  
last week - a boy.  
So glad to have all the Ga.  
news + that it was a good  
trip.

Expect the Mc<sup>(4)</sup>Emens to spend  
the night tonight.

Papa - Bill said he sure your  
tires are all good - ~~no~~ no more  
tires are to be made w crude  
rubber in - present stock is all  
- no more of best inner tubes,  
either so he sure to be OK,  
he said.

Shack is all moved + fixed up  
at new location - just below  
fine place + quite close to stone  
wall - its sweet as pie.

Did I say that we plan a  
future bedroom + bath on high end  
of basement under our bedroom.

you-all are so precious to  
us - take care - all our love

B. S.

Home. Monday

Dear E. R.

This just came. Thought  
you would like to  
read it. Looks now  
like we will start on  
our drive Thursday  
whether Tom goes to  
Mexico now or later  
in the month.

We can just as  
well stay long enough  
to rest at Mt. Vernon  
& drive on to Forty-Fort  
& New York. Then back  
for our real visit  
with Idell when

it suits I'd need Tom.  
I am so glad you  
got out of the Army  
as for as you did.

My chief concern  
is whether V. A. & Army  
hospitals will be put  
under one head &  
you will be frozen  
in your present  
place. For the

duration -  
let us hear from  
you. as you know.

Jack & Joe  
D. K. S.