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Dear Children:-

From time to time we have said much about the weather but we did very little about it except to move along with our business as was expedient; this morning it was in the low 60's for the first time in several months; this afternoon it is 80 on the west side of the house with the sun shining on the thermometer. I am surprised at how cool it seems.

Elmer Key, Ann while at her parents the one night she was in Birmingham. She seems to be entirely recovered and has a lovely personality over the 'phone; we appreciate her call. She asked mother if you had done the things she left for you to do. If I had been answering I would have played safe and told her NO.

Gusta & Bill, we are glad to know you are having a nice visit with the Harry Wards. They are great hosts and you get to attend the convention Monday. I am sure there is much talking and eating and drinking, the which I would like to be in on.

Wayne spent Sat. night with us and left this morning for New Orleans where he has an appointment for tomorrow and a safety council meeting this week. He wired me Sat. morning to contact a man here who was interested in one of Sewell's instruments and make an appointment to see him last night. I did that and we drove him over after supper; Sewell sold the machine and everything clicked. The people live in the Glenn Iris section. Mother and I had a nice visit with them.

Mother's Cosmos Club had its first meeting of the season at the Club House Friday. Mrs. Phillips, the hostess, invited me to come and make the invocation. After the lunch I drove to Woodlawn to investigate a report of the health people that there are termites in the building. I found that a coal bin they had built against the side of the back wing had rotted the weather-boarding and it was not termites at all. The arrangement is that they have the maintenance men of the city repair that place and let us pay for it. They are painting inside and out and we are to pay half of the outside paint job. The new lease goes into effect Nov. 1 at \$80.00 per month instead of \$75.

The school people have their first dinner and meeting at Barrett School tomorrow night. Yancy Bouey, the Prin., invites mother and me as the school's guests. The principals' wives go and we enjoy those meetings. There will be much talk about finances; the legislature authorized twenty million dollars increase to school funds and specified that the teachers are to get \$300.00 over and above what the Boards of Education's contract calls for; the B. of E. is quibbling to get around it. Gusta, we thank you for the pictures of the beach party. They are good and all of you are beautiful.
Love and best wishes from mother and papa. Your father, E. O. S.