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Dear Shirley,

Unless there is a change, I'll be in St. L. some time on the afternoon of the 6th to be on the Bill Fields Show the next night. I'd like to see you both, but it will be impossible for me to drive there. This is a Saturday, and I presume Sam would not relish the extra trip after a week full of them.

If everything goes as I plan, the only time I can expect to have free is when I get ~~there~~. I can't be sure now, but that will be on a flight arriving at 12:38 or another at 3:30, the former now seeming more likely.

Strange as it may seem, there is work for me to do both in St. Louis and withingx reach of there, and when travel is so limited for me, I must exploit each opportunity as it presents itself. The show is aired late ~~Saturday~~^{Sunday} night and I expect to leave the next a.m. Aside from some preparations for it, I expect to be meeting with various people on a number of things.

Please do not feel obligated. But if you can make it, perhaps meet me at the airport and we spend some time together before I can get ensnared in other things, I'd like it. It has been a long time.

As she may have told you, I visited with Mary in November and early December. She was wonderful. I was glad to meet Buck, too. Work there was productive. Haven't heard from her for a while.

We are both busy and tired. You can imagine what the tax season is for Lil. Much as we need the slight income she makes, we are glad the season is at an end, for it has been too much for her.

Hope you are all well. Best from us both,

Sincerely,