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Dear Charles & Eugenia - Thanks for the nice card and letter. Heard from so many, don't know when they will all get answers, maybe with Christmas cards if we manage to send this year). I am feeling better, but still don't hold out to do very much. Tire quite easily, and have to rest and sleep a lot. Thought for a while I'd never get an appetite again but now I'm about 5# heavier than Dr. Larson wanted me to get. Trying to slow down on eating. Too much appetite.

Just been writing an Air Mail letter to Barbara & Bob. Time is going fast there. She wrote on a card, "Glad they came together."

Nice weather just lately and mild. L. is cutting wood for furnace, will also get some for maple sap boiling. Has finished extracting honey. Bees to pack yet. So hope we can get "Snuggled down" for winter before weather gets too snowy. He has finished the addition to our old milk house, whole thing is Honey house now. C. Bonnett (neighbor) helped him get it started.

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They had such a turmoil in regard to Cheboygan School Teachers "withholding their services" (or striking) or whatever, that school got started late, and there is still bitter feelings among some, I guess. Heard via radio yesterday that the President of Board of Education has resigned. Talked to Margaret last night, she says he got nasty telephone calls, etc., has had his telephone no. changed, etc. Know there were some quite nasty communication letters in Tribune; even since it is settled and teachers gone back to work, as Margaret said before it was settled "Oh! it's a mess!" Still is somewhat, must be.

Esther writes that Dave is off from work for 5 weeks already due to G.M. strike. Of course, Harold & loads of others are off too. Donna writes of taking a job near home cleaning motels, due to higher cost of living. Doesn't work 8 hr. days, but gets quite beat along with freezing & canning, etc. at home.

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Laura W. writes that John, Jim & her are getting along O.K. says she is busy with school and doing housework, but enjoys all of the things she does though.

Lois was up a few weeks ago with friends at their cottage at Atlanta (or between there & Onaway). A friend had pictures she'd taken in Germany and several other countries. Beautiful, she showed them on a screen at Margaret's one evening, and they urged us to come. We don't drive at night anymore if we can possibly help it. Margaret fixed it up Jean would come and get us and M., letting us home afterwards, so they did. Nice of them, Lois took Amelia & us for a drive over through Hebron, Mackinaw City, down to Douglas Lake, Munro Lake, etc. We had co-op picnic dinner here before going, it was too cool to eat outdoors. Amelia hasn't been feeling too good lately, but is better. She went last day, with Gordon Tallmans & Fred Bohn's up across the street to see her sister Lena who was 86 last Sat, Lena is the mother of Fred Bohn, also of Tillie Tallman. Lena isn't well, staying in some sort of a Medical Care Center I guess, but they took her down to a daughter's

Ottie's home up there not too far away for sun, dinner, she is quite forgetful. Amelia says, the kids go to see her every once in a while but soon after they leave, she cries, and says the kids don't come to see her. Pitiful.

Must tell you in case you haven't heard the news, Virginia & Duane Brown have a new baby girl born Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8 # 15 ogs, named Brenda Joy. Carolyn is staying with "Grandpa & Grandma Turner" to help them, as she says, so now we have 3 great grandchildren, we must be getting old. Tom Baker said Mon. that his father (Herb Baker) was 69 when he died, and I believe he said he didn't have any grand children even. Tom's wife Cora broke her leg near the hip on Labor Day, was in the Hospital several weeks. They did surgery, put a plate & a pin in her leg, last 2 weeks or so she has been down near Mildred's at her daughter Martha's home to recuperate. She isn't to put any weight on that leg yet. Everyone has their troubles, I guess. I'd best quit this scribble. Love from us,