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Dear Dorothy,

I've been debating whether there's enough of a possibility of seeing you next week to warn you of it; I am afraid there isn't but if we could manage it you might like to know ahead of time. Also there's a chance you may be going to Chicago for Alice's wedding after all; I hope you can. I wish I could drive out and take you and the children if Walt doesn't feel he can spare the time. But Laurence has written he'll arrive in New York on the 29th -- unless, as has happened with some of the other men, he's notified two days before leaving that he has to stay till September 1st.

Wilda, Joy, Norm, Norma Joy (and I suppose their English pup!) are coming here Monday for a few days. I want to take them to the cottage and expect Joy may want one day for washing. If they stay long enough I thought it would be nice to call on you (NOT for a meal, mind you; there won't be time, we're too big a crowd and too uncertain about coming, but it would be nice to say "hello" to you and the children -- I suppose Walt will be working) and if we do I'll try to bring along some bulbs; I'm not sure about the state of my memory! If we came, it would probably be Wednesday. If you have anything planned, be sure not to change your plans. ~~Come to think of it,~~ maybe Peter will be at school: I guess Middletown schools are still in session. I'd like to hear about Peter's "Chicken Licken".

I was so sorry to hear of what a seige you'd had with the mumps.

Many thanks for the offer of the kitten but I guess I'm not in the market for one. I'm too lazy to tie

myself down to the care of a pet.

And speaking of pets, have you read Rowena Fare's Seal Morning?

If we don't all get over to see you next week I'll try in July. I'll be at Yearly Meeting June 18-23; and had planned, if Laurence wasn't here, to go on for a week in Maine. Lucy isn't feeling very "stout", I judge. She doesn't plan to come with Ruth to Yearly Meeting.

I've agreed to take a 10-months position at Wesleyan beginning September 1st, so I want to make the most of this summer!

Love to you all,

Marion