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Dear Jo,

Thanks so much for your newsy letter. We were so interested to read about what the situation really is in Canton and what your experiences have been. We enjoyed having you visit so much, I especially was glad to have an opportunity to get to know you better and Owen to renew his acquaintance with you. I hope we'll be able to see you again soon. Maybe we'll see you in Galesburg if you visit there next year. I mailed the letter to your parents yesterday. Its envelope/ seemed all right but the one on the letter to us ~~xx~~ had been closed with scotch tape. Did you seal it that way? Anything you don't want mailed there can be sent here, we'll be glad to send it on. In fact if you want to address it to us and send us the ~~correct~~ address we'll just forward it and you'll save the extra five cents on each one. The press coverage of the project has certainly quieted down and the three missing men are hardly referred to at all any more. The project is always spoken of in terms of voter registration, the other aspects such as the Freedom schools, community centers etc. are never mentioned at all. I think the general impression given is that it is only a voter registration project. A group of parents and friends of volunteers is picketing the Rep. Convention asking for Federal protection for all the Cofo workers and for a Republican stand on the issue as a whole and especially on the bill just passed. We've been watching the coverage of San Fransisco with the fascination of all people watching an evil organism grow stronger and larger daily. Scranton, Rockefeller and Lodge really are beginning to look frightened and alarmed by the strength of the minority which is playing a majority role.

Gwennie is fine, she's growing awfully fast and getting pretty big, but she's still pretty puppyish. Ive started cleaning her with the vacuum cleaner to get off all the loose hairs and once she got over her initial fright she's learned to like it pretty well. It seems to be the only effective way to prevent having everything in the house covered with a layer of dog hair. She's bumping the carriage with her nose now and looking toward the door, I hate to keep her waiting so I'll stop now to take her out. Let us hear from you and don't hesitate to ask if there's anything we can do for you. Love from us both,

Laurie