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Dear Shirley,

Thirtynine year ago tonight all was turmoil at the Lyman residence in Casco.

I don't remember so very much about it. It seems to me I was as calm as Eleanor the night of her wedding. Let the other folks do the worrying. Aunt Nina is to entertain this year but had to much on this week. Will do it some time later. I think Janis has some dishes ready to dry. more later.

I was going to write this morning so you would get the letter tomorrow, then your card came saying you were going away so I put off writing till tonight.

Dad seem to be well as ever since I have  
been home. I believe he missed me more  
than he will own. I have been feeling fine  
all the time, but tired quicker than weekly  
year ago for some reason. Washed the  
curtains in dining room and living room.  
Expect to do Eleanor's washing this next week.  
Dad helps a lot. Have the stockings nearly  
all mended. Eva and Lois out Wed. afternoon  
mended for her while she got her night  
school lesson. She did the best I ever know  
her to do at Club Thur. At next meeting  
she is pinch hitting for Mrs. Clark  
on "The History of American Literature".

Mrs Clark isn't so very well. I am helping her  
with excerpts from various poets as she  
calls for them. Some of the others prose.  
Everyone around the corner is making  
a rug. Even I. Stevie Shively and I are  
in the amateur class (that is Crocheting).  
Janis has started one. Has her quilt well  
along. She certainly has become very domestic.  
I made some cookies tonight. Will  
send by mail tomorrow. I wish you  
might have them while fresh.  
Another lot of bills came from Wards.

The way I figure it you now have just  
a few cents under eighty dollars coming

I don't look for much through Jan. and  
the first of Feb there is to be a change  
in the plan. you will not get nearly as  
much, 5% of forty dollars sent in by one  
customer <sup>(ref to 40 \$)</sup> in a year, the percent all over  
forty. you can get details when you  
come. I am not surprised, I expected  
to see it stopped entirely. the eight will  
help wonderfully. I hope it won't interfere  
with your getting work next year as  
there will be just about half as much  
and we have been two or more years getting  
this. I must stop and run rags. yes its  
very important. Hope you have a good time.

Saw Tao 96  
B.H.