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SINCLAIR LEWIS
300 CENTRAL PARK WEST
NEW YORK CITY

February 10, 1945

Dear Claude:

Very glad to hear from you. Yes, I'm now sixty -- I can no longer be a Promising Young Man! And I have bought the Duluth house. I'll be going out there about April 15, and it ought to be in something like shape by June 1st.

Perhaps Mary and you will be able to come up and stay overnight. If you can get gas to reach Duluth, you might like to take the bus from there up to the Gunflint Trail for a few days. I'm extremely to hear about her busting her foot. I hope it goes all right.

Mary

Sorry

I'm giving up this flat, nice though it is. I'll hope to spend 6 or 7 months a year in Duluth, except for a summer or two when I might go to Europe -- if we ever have a Europe to go to again! -- and when I come here, to stay at a hotel. Though I'm more likely to go to California in winter than to New York.

I'm taking out all my furniture, books, and pictures, and they, combined with the furniture already in the house, most of which I'm buying, will make at least a full lay-out.

I have just three more weeks' work on my new novel, which will be serialized in Cosmopolitan, starting with the May number, and be published in book form on October 3d. It is called "Cass Timberlane."

On the same mail with your letter, I had a nice note from Isabel, and recently I had a cheerful letter from Ginny....Freeman lies like hell when he says he's just a rookie in the big league. He's already one of the biggest of them, and admired by all the most important older publishers.

Love to Mary and you

Ever

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