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February 8, 1948

Mrs. Henri Temianka
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Dear Emmy:

When Henri popped in yesterday I had to confess, with a very red face, that the enclosed letter from Marjorie had been buried on my desk for over a week. I had delayed, from day to day, sending it off because I wanted to add a few lines of my own. I was glad that Henri could see the original letter, as well as the state of my desk, because if he had not been an eye-witness I would feel like a damn fool relating a story which certainly sounds extremely lame, even though it happens to be true.

Now, at long last my heartiest congratulations to you all! After seeing Henri we have at least evidence that the father has nicely recovered from his ordeal and, according to his reports, mother and child are doing equally well. We hope that we shall soon also have evidence to this effect and we were delighted to hear from Henri that you three were planning to come down here soon. We are already trying to think of all sorts of inducements to influence your choice of a permanent home in favor of Los Angeles. For one thing, as Marjorie has already told you, we have two "contemporary" playmates to offer to Master Temianka and a bevy of at least three young ladies with "motherly" instincts to spoil him.

Much as I would like to continue chatting with you, I'd better stop now and get this into the mail before Henri carries out his threats to cross us off the list of your inner circle.

Mrs. Henri Temianka

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Once again -- all good wishes!

*Affectionately,
Aepus.*

PS We were terribly sorry to hear about Robert Maas. If you have his New York address would you please drop us a line, so that we can write him?