30 July 1962

Dear Kate, thank you so much for your sweet birthday card it arrived this morning! (wonderful timing!) We are passing lovely days here filled with celebrations as usually the last days of July! – The weather so far has been clement – no gales yet! We rented an "umberella" with Alina to force ourselves to go to the beach and that's where I write these words. –

Our 30 anniversary was officiated in the Ambassadeur's – with Virginie Bacon, Hurok, 2 Rodocanachi's (seniors) Nme Ex Rochas (of the Femme fame) present Mrs. André Bernheim and husband (he is a theatrical agent ex-lover of Juliette a chard (30 years ago) It was very friendly and quiet – no mad orgies to report like last year!

The dinner was marvelous here is the menu:

melon glacé -
lobster newburg
saddle of lamb -
fromages
soufflet grand marnier (heaven!)
Château Latour 1937(!) Don Perignon(!)

As an anniversary present Arthur gave me (so far in planning stage) a dish washer fantastic!!! - It will shorten the hours of the slow poke french washing forever in the kitchen (I hope)!

I have let Encarna go because she was too much of an out goer - She went to see her dying mother in Madrid ~~in~~ the middle of everything - I told her to stay longer not hurry back and the girl that replaced her Emilia does 3 times her work runs up and down (she is 23) and asked her sister to come. The 2 of them should be very good (I hope.). I let go the temporary butler & cook I had for the last 2 weeks. - She was very friendly, nice and let me do what I pleased in the kitchen I will keep in contact with her. -

I don't remember if I didn't write it all to you once before if so - forgive me.

The Golschmanns arrived 2 days ago - Hugh is leaving tomorrow and Virginia left yesterday. - Marcel Achard is expected in a few days and Nina

The first day here Arthur & John had an indigestion - (over eating) but today they are o.k. again. Naturally I called on beloved dr. Giraux - who found us all in a beautiful state in spite of the deranged stomachs -

Alice & John have immediately started the horseback riding - and Lali tennis today. - I bought her a racket because the old one was a junior -

Our golf clubs have mysteriously disappeared - which breaks my heart because I honestly intended to play! Someone must have stolen them either from the house or perhaps the rear of the Cadi! -

Cadi had his breaks relined as when we drove here the last 20 klm. I had practically no breaks! - The motor is better than ever - he made it from Paris in 2 ½ hours! -

Paul writes often and very nicely normally - he seems to be having a very good time and goes out with a very interesting lawyer girl graduate from Wellesley - she teaches

him bridge and he her, tennis -
His promotion comes out in trade
papers this week. - He leaves for the
army camp on the 3rd of August. -
Eva writes seldom and her letters
are rather saddening - She still seems
to be full of confused feelings - I do
hope that their stay in New Hampshire
makes some order in that poor little
head! - I feel so sorry for her
and the whole sad situation!
Alina is wonderful - continues her
diet, exercises with iron like character -
She looks lovely - we bought her some
lovely dresses - John is trying to be
as nice as he can - but his mind often
wanders away - He writes letters to Sasche
and his girl at the the rate of at least
one or 2 a day. - And receives answers
in the same volume. - While in Paris
he has seen about all the movies that
were playing - sometimes 2 - 3 times over
(no comment). Here they are going
to bed a bit earlier - as the acti-
vities start earlier - Slowly I hope
to bring them back to before midnight
schedule! - We have not been
playing in the Casino much yet

Today is the 3 July

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The season is a bit slow yet - Today is nice and cloudy and windy - normal Deauville. - Arthur has the piano in the room in the hotel and works very well every morning.

In a few days I will go to Paris to see how the young maid is doing - and calmly put some order in the house - also bring Nina back - She is coming for a few days - and the concert on the 6th!

Write. how did you like Seattle with Ann - It seems so funny not to know that you will be back in September - I can't get used to it at all! Have you any plans? - You can always turn around and come right back you know that. I hope

I had nice cards from Eva and the children for my birthday. – Arthur gave me a beautiful black suede coat – Most elegant! – Please write to Eva so she feels in contact with us all! – They drove to New Hampshire a few days ago – I hope things get going there! – Give my love to Ann if you are together still – if not give yourself a big hug from all of us – We miss you and love you very much – your old ex boss –

Nela R.

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