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Dear Blanche,

I am writing for Arthur, as he is so busy with his concerts, traveling, etc., in answer to your February 5th letter.

He asks me to say how sorry he is not to be able to accept your invitation for dinner, ashe is leaving immediately after the concert.

As to his appearance in April for the drive for the opera he will not be able to be with you, as we leave for Europe on the 11th. He also asks me to tell you he greatly admires your efforts but feels he cannot be of any assistance, as his commitments are much too heavy.

I am sorry I will not be with Arthur on this trip and will miss seeing you —
all my very best to you

Nela Rubinstein